

Timber Frauds

land in this State that have been located as placers are covered in part or in whole with splendid bodies of timber. The major part of such locations, so declares Mineralogist Aubrey, who has been engaged in duty since the close of the war, are the interests of California miners and of protecting them, were not made in good faith. The prime object, Aubrey says, was to obtain the timber, as the land did not give evidence of mineral in paying quantities.

"I called the attention of President Roosevelt and the Secretary of the Interior in 1902 to the attempts at wholesale land grabbing in this State. The action of several forest reserves immediately followed. Since that time many attempts have been made by the timber ring to acquire timber lands in temporary or permanent forest reserves known as placers. The timber ring, as the lands in the reserves are not subject to other than mineral entry.

INFLUENCES ARE STRONG.
Where desirable timber lands are situated in temporary or permanent forest reserves such influences have been exerted to have such lands thrown open to public entry so that the timber grabbers may acquire them. It has required constant watchfulness to thwart these efforts.

The timber land is practically valueless directly for mining use, but its preservation conserves water for mining, agricultural and power purposes. Such land, considered as a source of future supply for mineral timber and lumber, is of incalculable value.

"Within the reserves the miner is amply protected by the Government and the forestry department. The trouble is that the miner is granted every reasonable privilege."
Aubrey also declares that where mining lands containing timber, are open to entry the miners are subject to constant attacks by the timber men. For this reason the miners have been contented to remain under the protecting arm of the forest service.

The forest service has received by Aubrey from L. A. Barrett, forest supervisor of the Plumas forest reserve, which is, in part, as follows:

The forest service expects to examine the lands in the Plumas forest reserve as to their mineral character. The examination of the so-called assessment work done on most of the claims located in this region, obtain hearings in the local land offices and as speedily as possible secure decisions declaring all locations on lands not reasonably mineral to be invalid. After hearings and decisions that claims are invalid the forest service will take charge of and use such claims as though the locations had never been made, selling timber from such lands or granting it to settlers under the free use privilege.

The nature of the so-called mineral locations made in this region in the past few years has been called to the direct attention of the President and Secretary of the Interior, and the combined departments expect to commence and prosecute to the utmost a campaign against the illegal location of lands within forest reserves, beginning the work upon the Plumas reserve in the immediate future. The location of these locations is well known to the majority of the people of the region in question and the forest supervisors has been brought to the attention of the residents of a considerable portion of the territory.

FRAUDS ARE NUMEROUS.
At this time the forest service expects to be able to prove that 80 per cent of the mineral locations in the Plumas and adjoining counties made within the past four years are invalid and have been taken for timber only as the case of pine trees is much better than that of auriferous gravel. The village of the assessment work done on these claims will also come for careful investigation, and the construction of lines for electric power, gas, water systems, etc., will not be considered as actual and legal development work to open up the possibilities of the locations in question.

To one at all familiar with the situation in this region it is evident that the law has not been complied with in regard to annual assessment work, and a large portion of the proofs of labor and assessment work in the Plumas county records of the past few years are blank papers, as can be shown by actual investigation on the ground such as will be made in the future.

Without going into it, it is only necessary to state that the largest locator of this class of claims is the North California Mining Company (H. C. Pease), who has been allowed to do the work by many of the residents of this region, acting either for themselves or as agents for outsiders. The forest service is well supplied with information concerning all these locations and copies of the same are available. We wish it understood the bona fide miners will be protected in all their interests, and the forest supervisors do all possible to promote legitimate mining on the reserves.

Aubrey has not been informed concerning the names of persons who will come to California to investigate, but a dispatch from Washington says Edward C. Finney of the General Land Office will represent the Interior Department and A. C. Shaw the forest service.

FILES AGAINST BROTHER
F. I. Pearson Brings Action for Large Sum Because of Clouded Title to Realty.
OAKLAND, Aug. 8.—F. I. Pearson today brought suit against his brother, F. Pearson, and his sister-in-law, Julia Pearson, for \$100,000 damages which he alleges he suffered through the fact that his title to a house and lot in Fruitvale was clouded. He also claims that a mortgage on the property being declared a mortgage.

The plaintiff purchased the property from G. H. Lee for \$300 and paid \$100. He borrowed the other \$200 from his brother and his brother's wife, with the understanding that he was to pay the balance back at the rate of \$5 a week. Since the San Francisco disaster the property has greatly increased in value, but Pearson cannot dispose of it because of the clouded title, hence the suit.

WOMAN WHO STRUCK NEIGHBOR FINED FIFTY CENTS A SLAP
Julia Arada Pays \$5 for the Satisfaction of Striking Mrs. Amanda Cox.
ALAMEDA, Aug. 8.—Fifty cents a slap for ten slaps was the fine imposed today on Mrs. Julia Arada, found guilty of a charge of battery brought against her by Mrs. Amanda Cox, a neighbor. The women live in Arkville at the East End and the row in which Mrs. Arada and Mrs. Cox exchanged slaps and pulled hair caused a riot of gossip. Mrs. Arada testifies that she slapped Mrs. Cox because she had "talked" about her.

Pickpockets Operate.
OAKLAND, Aug. 8.—John H. Priestly, whose home is at 67 East Twelfth street, was the victim of pickpockets last night. He was robbed of \$72.55 in a saloon at Broadway and Fourth street. Priestly was in the place for some time, but does not remember that any one came near enough to him to pick his pocket. On discovering his loss he reported the case to the police.

Damage Repaired.
BERKELEY, Aug. 8.—The work of repairing damage done by the earthquake to the buildings of the State Institute for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind have been completed. The work was done by the firm of the Mission style of architecture. The school will reopen on August 20.

Reform Promised by New Ministry

Russian Cabinet Begins Far-Reaching Move.

Peasants Murder Four Socialists in Lublin.

T. PETERSBURG, Aug. 8.—M. Onipko, the peasant member who was captured red-handed at Cronstadt after the mutiny there, will be tried, it is semi-officially announced, according to the rules of war for inciting and participating in an armed revolt, the penalty for which is death.

The Ministry already is beginning a far-reaching campaign preparatory to the election of a more tractable Parliament in December. The Ministers will insist on a programme that will consist of the prohibition of definite reforms. They disclaim all intention of attempting to throttle public sentiment, but it is noticeable that their first step was taken through the police, who were asked to report on the possible governmental candidates for seats.

The session of the Cabinet today was devoted to measures of famine relief, which is recognized as one of the most urgent problems in the administration, as well as by an urgent campaign argument. It was decided to recommend to the Emperor an additional credit of \$2,500,000 in addition to the \$7,500,000 voted by Parliament for this use, \$25,000,000 of which sum is to be used for food and employment to keep the stricken population from starvation and the remainder for the purchase of seed grain.

The Official Telegraph Agency tonight reports the formation of a Yekaterinoslav of a reactionary organization whose purpose is to exact a life for a life for every official killed by the revolutionists. The murder of ex-Deputy Hertzstein is an example of this procedure. The agency reports an encounter between police and workmen at Kostroma, during which Cossacks were summoned and dispersed the crowd with clubs and whips.

Premier Stolypin has gone to Peterhof to secure the Emperor's approval of the appointments of Prince Vassilichoff as Minister of Agriculture, M. Filossoff as Minister of Commerce, and M. Jewelsky, brother of the Foreign Minister, as Procurator General of the Holy Synod.

The Official Telegraph Agency has issued an authorized statement declaring the report published by the Novoye Vremya that the Emperor intended to place Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolavitch in immediate command of the whole army to be devoid of all foundation. It is also rumored and denied that Grand Duke Vladimir and Nicholas Nicolavitch are to be appointed regents by the Czar.

WARSAW, Aug. 8.—Peasants of the village of Tschernenk, Province of Lublin, today murdered four Socialists and their families in the village for the purpose of inciting the peasants against landlords. The terrorists are continually attacking and robbing postoffices, government spirit shops, treasuries and the like.

SOSNOWICE, Russian Poland, Aug. 8. A bomb was thrown today into a crowded waiting-room at the railway station. One man was killed and many were wounded. The fatal gas canister exploded, resulting in injury to many other persons. Women fainted and children were trampled upon. The thrower of the bomb escaped.

KIEV, Russia, Aug. 8.—The peasants of Kravoff have been almost to death through the arrival in the village of M. Stefankin, member of the outlawed Parliament, because he could not explain to their satisfaction why he returned home without obtaining the land and liberty he had promised them.

OAKLAND OFFICER CHARGED WITH BRUTALITY BY WOMAN
Mrs. McLaughlin Says Policeman Scandalously Pulled Her Hair and Used Bad Language.
OAKLAND, Aug. 8.—Accusing Patrolman John P. Scanlan of having brutally abused her when arresting her for disturbance of the peace on August 1, Mrs. Margaret McLaughlin, wife of E. H. McLaughlin, residing at 2718 Broadway, entered her home on August 1 and without a warrant arrested her for disturbing the peace, and that when she protested seized her by the hair and struck her in the face.

She declares further that when she protested against such treatment Scanlan used obscene and abusive language and finally dragged her from the house and sent her to the City Prison in the patrol wagon. The charge of the charges has been set by the board for August 14.

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners appointed Frank Lynch, who, since the resignation of St. Clair Hodgkins as Chief of Police, has been acting as Chief of Police, a regular captain. Fire was appointed an acting and W. R. Jones was appointed a substitute police.

Capitalist Poisoned by Accident.
BERKELEY, Aug. 8.—Gordon S. Marshall, a capitalist whose wife's marriage to Dr. Mills of Australia was a society event last month, narrowly escaped death by poisoning today. He swallowed a half dozen capsules containing morphine, supposing that they were anti-kamnia and that they would cure his headache. He relapsed into a comatose condition and was discovered while unconscious by his wife. A physician was summoned, who succeeded in restoring him.

Fall Causes Death.
OAKLAND, Aug. 8.—As the result of a fractured skull sustained in a fall at his home last Saturday night William F. Curtis, contractor and builder, died at his home at 1127 Filbert street last night. A widow, one daughter, Mrs. Eugene O. Blenheim, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Stanley J. Bell, of his immediate family survive him. There are two brothers also, A. Henry Curtis of Sedalia, Colo., and Rev. Thomas J. Curtis of Sidney, N. S. W.

Laughlin Will Be Ignored.
BERKELEY, Aug. 8.—A meeting of the trustees of the faculty of the Pacific Theological Seminary was held this morning to discuss the situation created by Professor T. Cowden Laughlin's resignation and his accompanying criticisms. The officials of the seminary resent Dr. Laughlin's statements, but they finally decided today to let the matter drop as far as a public explanation is concerned.

Fireworks at Chinese Wedding.
ALAMEDA, Aug. 8.—Official permission has been granted to Chin and Miss Yut Go, Chinese, to discharge fireworks at the southwest corner of Park street and Lincoln avenue Saturday evening at 9 o'clock to celebrate their marriage, which is to take place at that time. Chin is the proprietor of the Canton Bazaar at the corner named and the bride is within the fire limits as the pyrotechnics could not be exploded there without a special permit from the City Trustees, Fire Chief and Chief of Police. The marriage is to be conducted according to the Oriental ritual. Chin's bride-elect is 19 years of age.

AMERICAN TRADES GOVERNMENT SUBJECTS

Go on Spree and Then Fight to Escape From League Island Yard

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 8.—It became known that five marines are in double irons on board the receiving ship, Lancaster at the League Island yard and ten sailors are under arrest as the result of a mutiny on Monday night, in which two of the mutineers were killed.

A boating party, consisting of Privates Burnett, Kenney, Haggerty, Alderson, Erbe and Newland, left the navy yard. They went to Gloucester, and it is alleged that their uniforms were sold for the money they obtained. Burnett, who was chased and when the men returned they had two half-barrels of the beer in the boat. This they smuggled into camp and about a score of men were soon under the influence of the intoxicant.

While in this condition the men attempted to leave the yard and when halted attacked the corporal. The alarm whistle was sounded and the men of the Lancaster quickly responded. A general fight ensued, during which several shots were fired. Burnett, one of the ringleaders, had his throat cut and Kenney's right arm was fractured. After nearly an hour of fighting the mutineers were subdued and the principals placed under arrest.

Yesterday Captain Miller of the Lancaster ordered Burnett and Kenney court-martialed. The trial was quick, and although the findings were not made public because the command of the yard must pass on them, it is said that sentences varying from one to five years in the naval prison at Chelsea, Mass., will be the outcome.

Burnett and Kenney had not taken active part in the outbreak, were in the boating party, were given ten days in double irons in the brig on bread and water, with a full allowance of tobacco and rum. Today Alderson and Newland were before a summary court-martial board and the probabilities are they will be given thirty days in double irons with their liberty restricted for six months.

Each count sets up a discrimination of from \$200 to \$500 a month in favor of the oil company. It is necessary for officials of the Standard Oil Company to appear in court and present bonds of \$25,000 for the corporation.

9 IN FAMILY AND ENGINEER HAS COPY OF CITY RECORDS.
Mrs. Werty With a Full Quiver Asks Custody of Trio of Orphans

Mrs. Mary Werty, already the proud possessor of nine children, made an effort yesterday to annex three young orphans, together with their \$4000 bank roll. Judge Kerrigan shook his head, however, and, remarking that he was not the father of Mrs. Werty had a sufficiently large family as it was passed the trio over to Father Morgan of the Youths' Directory.

The three children whose custody was a matter of contention are: Howard, aged 12; Uclia, aged 9, and Vincetti, aged 4. Their father has been dead for some time, and the mother, Guadalupe C. Johnson, died at the California General Hospital July 12.

How much of a family have you at the present time?" asked Judge Kerrigan. "Nine children," was the response. "Well, Mrs. Werty," said the court, "I think you have troubles enough of your own, without engaging to look after outsiders. I will return the children to the Youths' Directory."

Extremely disappointed, Mrs. Werty said a tearful farewell to Howard, her temporary charge, and the other Johnsons, and the little folks trailed away with Father Morgan.

Offers Money for Expedition.
The Western Meat Company has offered the executive committee of the reformed corporation \$8000 to expedite its late project of a trip to the Yukon. The old finance committee had reduced the claim to \$3500. The matter will be investigated.

Wing of Labor Party Chooses Its Campaign Managers.
OAKLAND, Aug. 8.—The Ormsby wing of the labor party has selected its officers of its county committee, with a statement that the committee is not being conducted as an adjunct to the Republican party. The list follows:

J. T. Owen, farmer; J. S. Philpot, tinner; W. C. Barnard, G. E. Britt, cement worker; Charles S. Orr, carpenter; R. J. Silva, formerly barber and now a cooper; D. R. Rogers, orthopaedic; L. O. Mathews, former carpenter; W. La Perle, teamster; Z. Staineker, bookbinder; F. M. Shay, carpenter; Sam McLaughlin, plasterer; Guy Raymond, carpenter; Charles F. Gilman, bartender; H. Williams, steam fitter.

The Socialists have announced the names of their delegates to the local and State conventions of the party, which will be held in this city in September.

Pacific Coast Patents.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Patents were issued today to Pacific Coast inventors as follows: Harry C. Aiken and E. C. Aiken, Glendale, incubator; Henry B. Eareckson, San Francisco, nut lock; Charles W. Jackson, San Diego, elevator; Godfrey Laube and G. G. Laube, Santa Monica, sticky paper holder; George W. Maxwell and A. Kingsbury, San Francisco, milk receptacle; Kenneth McLeod, San Francisco, sliding door hanger and fixture; William Amersal, San Francisco, rock breaker and pulverizer; Peter Mohr-dieck, San Francisco, gas engine; John Muehler, East Oakland, ink well; Frank Newham, Los Angeles, rock splitter machine; Harry J. Soland, Los Angeles, molding machine; Frank Sharp and R. C. Andrus, San Francisco, printing press; James Somes, San Juan, forceps; George H. Stewart, Los Angeles, means for determining defective can heads; Gustave A. Stromgren, Oakland, kitchen table and cabinet; George W. Young, Glendale, air brake and means to start automobiles.

Jockey Maher Recovering.
BRIGHTON, England, Aug. 8.—Danny Maher, the American jockey, whose shoulder was badly bruised by a fall from his mount Hornhead yesterday in the race for the Brighton stakes was extremely painful.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's sig. on each box. 25c.

MUTUAL MUST GIVE LIST TO COURT.

Judge Demands Correct Names and Addresses of the Policy-Holders of the Policy-Holders

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—The Mutual Life Insurance Company was ordered by Justice Giegerich today to furnish a correct list of its policy-holders to the international policy-holder committee and to file a similar correct list with the State Insurance Department at Albany within ten days. The order was issued in response to an application for a writ of mandamus made by Colonel J. M. Shook of Tennessee, a member of the committee.

In his argument on behalf of the petition Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the committee, said that they had employed twelve postoffice experts to assist in getting the committee's circulars out to policy-holders, and that 19 per cent of the envelopes were returned to him undelivered. On the other hand, he said, the company, having a correct list, is sending circulars to the policy-holders without delay in an effort to influence votes in favor of the trustees nominated by the present administration (ticket of the Mutual). He described this as infamous.

During a sharp exchange between Untermyer and Attorney Brewster for the company Untermyer said: "My friend has made the statement that the personnel of the company is not the same as it was during the legislative investigation. Not a few scapegoats were sacrificed by the main power, but the men who are responsible for all the scandals and thievery of this company are in power today."

Big Risk for Petaluma.
PETALUMA, Aug. 8.—Work is to be commenced at once on a building which will be meant for Petaluma the finest skating rink and amusement hall in Northern California. The building will be a monstrous frame structure with a glass front and every modern device. The floor will contain 15,238 square feet. The name of the hall will be chosen by women of Petaluma by popular vote.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—Lord Miller, the former High Commissioner for South Africa, was today presented, through the Duke of Somerset, with an address expressing appreciation of his services in South Africa, signed by 470,000 persons.

THE NEW LUNDSTROM DERBY
is appropriate for the most important occasions. You couldn't get it as such but value—real and apparent quality—of the money in any other way. The Lundstrom is built of honor and it never fails to substantiate your claim for it.

Frank J. Baker, civil engineer and surveyor, has a complete set of duplicate copies of the records and diagrams that were destroyed in the City Engineer's office at the time of the great fire and wishes to sell them to the city for \$100,000.

Baker has followed his profession in the city for twenty years. During that time he has collected and kept complete copies of all these documents from the year 1862 to the year 1906, inclusive. They were saved from the fireproof vault in the Odd Fellows' building, which was not opened until thoroughly cooled. When the vault was opened it was found that, although the papers were charred, all the writing was legible.

Baker believes his copies of the records will take precedence over all other forms of evidence in the absence of the official papers.

MISSION DOLORES PARISH WILL HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC
Committee Requests That All Former Members of the Parish Attend the Reunion.

Extensive arrangements have been made for the annual reunion and picnic of the members of the Mission Dolores parish, which is to be held at the City Hotel near house Jose, on Thursday, September 13. The committee, which has been appointed to take charge of the affair, requests that not only the present members of the parish be present at the reunion and picnic, but also those who have been driven away by the recent calamity.

The members of the committee are: R. O'Connor, Father P. J. Cummings, J. Hagerty, E. Hogan, J. Renault, J. J. Tobin, J. H. McLaughlin, E. Murphy, J. Casey, J. Gilbride, D. Barry, J. Grant, F. Norton, J. Cavanaugh, F. Grimley, J. O'Neill and J. Duggan.

PLEASURE SEEKERS WILL TAKE TRIP TO HONOLULU
Members of the Southern California Editorial Association Arrange for a Pleasure Trip to Honolulu.

The members of the Southern California Editorial Association have arranged for a pleasure trip to Honolulu. The party, which will number about sixty persons in all, will leave this city on the Oceanic steamer Alameda on September 1 and return by the Australian steamer Stomper by September 18.

The members will meet on Saturday morning in the rooms of the California Promotional Committee, which they will make a tour of the city, visiting the ruins and other places of interest.

In Honolulu every effort will be made to arrange for the entertainment of the guests.

INTERNAL REVENUE AGENT AFTER LIQUOR DEALERS
Inspectors Find Groceries With Saloons Attached Violating the New City Regulations.

Bert M. Thomas, United States internal revenue agent, and his deputies canvassed this city and Oakland yesterday to round up a number of retail liquor dealers who had neglected to pay the special revenue tax for the fiscal year beginning July 1. On August 1 the tax became delinquent and a penalty of 50 per cent was added, failure to pay which subjects the offender to an arrest and a heavy fine.

A number of groceries with bars attached were found doing business under the new regulations. The offenders were notified to obtain an extra license and pay an additional fee of 50 per cent.

CAMP MAIL GOES ABSTRAY.
Loss of Letters Causes Abandonment of Refugee Delivery.

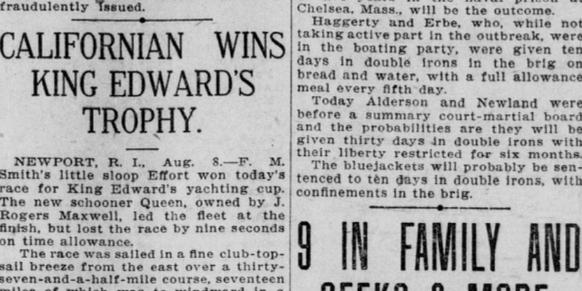
Refugees are complaining that they must go to the general postoffice for their mail, as delivery at the camps has been stopped. At the postoffice it is stated that the stopping of delivery in the camps was due to the loss of mail that had taken place.

The law does not provide for the delivery of mail in packets at other places where the houses are not definitely numbered.

It is suggested that some man be given authority to get the mail for all in the camp or other places, and to arrange with some neighboring store or other place for delivery.



GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS



GRAND DUKE VLADIMIR



SCENT FAILS DOGS AT CITY'S EDGE.

