

# Caracas, the Queen of the South Beats the Queen of the North through the Golden Gate.

## Two big steamers raced in through the Golden Gate yesterday at full speed, both intent on arriving at quarantine first. They were the Queen, from Seattle, and the Caracas, from southern ports. They arrived off the bar at practically the same time, and just as they were about to cross through the Golden Gate they put on full steam and made an exciting dash for the objective point. The Caracas won by about three minutes and dropped her anchor first. The Queen had to play "second fiddle" and wait until the quarantine officers had finished examining the Caracas. This detained her fully an hour in making her anchorage.

The Caracas made a record run up the coast. She was ten days from Guaymas and forty-four hours from Escondido. Her previous time has been eleven days. The branch had one cabin passenger, Marcos Elorza of the firm of Elorza, Le. Jarga & Co. of Mazatlan. She had thirteen second-class passengers. Her freight was light, consisting of 50 tons, and in light safe she had \$100,000 in gold and silver bullion. Captain Paulsen reports that the weather was exceptionally fine, and this largely accounts for the quick run.

### Badly Bruised by Fall.

J. Clancy of 828 Howard street was assisted to the Harbor Emergency Hospital yesterday by the branch. He was badly bruised from head to foot. He said he had fallen from a wagon in Oakland. His injuries were treated by Dr. R. C. Hill.

### Breaks through Planking.

A heavy truck with a big load of coal broke through the planked portion of East street yesterday. The back part of the wagon went almost on edge and the horses that were hauling it were thrown up into the air by the sudden falling in of the dock. No serious damage was done. The outfit belonged to W. G. Starford.

### Quenches Fire With Beer.

Packing around the axle of car No. 991 of the United Railroad caught fire while passing from Mission to East street yesterday. It did not blaze much, but it blazed enough to frighten the women in the car, who jumped off in wild alarm. The fire was quenched by some of the packing about the axle, but the oil continued to blaze. The conductor rushed across the street to a saloon and brought back a pail of beer, which he dashed on the flames and extinguished them.

### Cling to Upturned Boat.

Fred Casey, an optician on Fillmore street, near Sutter, and a friend were found yesterday clinging to an upturned boat in the bay off Meigs wharf. They were picked up by Charles Peterson and brought ashore. Casey said that he and his friend had gone out for a little sail and got upset.

### Water Front Notes.

The schooner John F. Miller, Captain Melberg, arrived in port yesterday, eighteen days from Bear Harbor. She brought 40,000 codfish.

### MONGOLIA IS RETURNING.

HONOLULU, Sept. 30.—The steamship Mongolia sailed for San Francisco today. She is reported to be leaking about a foot an hour in compartment 3. Her pumps are being worked.

### COAST SHIPPING NEWS.

Items of Interest to Mariners of the Pacific.

TAOACMA, Wash., Sept. 30.—The schooner King Cyrus arrived today from San Francisco to load lumber.

The new steam schooner Washington sailed today for Oakland with lumber from Port Blakely.

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# News of the Mining Camps of Nevada.

## GOLDFIELD, Nev., Sept. 30.—William B. Nichols, who has to his credit an unbroken record of successful mining ventures, has joined the Parker brothers in a lease on the Jumbo Extension. The ground is surrounded by the Jumbo, with its record of several hundred thousand dollars production, and such well known properties as the Silver, Velvet and Atlanta. A working shaft has been started and is down fifteen feet. An order has been placed for a hoist, which will be ready for installation by the time the shaft is deep enough to require it. There is a well defined ledge trending through the property, which the shaft should cut at or near a depth of 100 feet.

## Manager Koozts of the Goldfield Gold Company of Copperopolis, who will construct a branch railroad, twelve miles long, to connect its mine with the line of the Southern Pacific Company at Milton. The survey is completed. An eight-mile ditch has been nearly completed. The mine is about 17. An additional compressor has been ordered to furnish more power for running the machine drills. The timbers for the guides on the new way and upon their arrival the new patent Oliver slip will be installed. The company expects to be shipping again within thirty days.

## Work on the Durt-Began lease on the Durt-Began ground is confined to drifting north and west of the shaft at the 150-foot level. The property will be thoroughly prospected by drifting and cross-cutting at this depth before further sinking is undertaken.

## The operators of the Ditch-Brewer lease on the C. O. D. are drifting north and west of the shaft at a depth of 210 feet and some bunches of encouraging work is being done. The property is owned by the Union Consolidated Mining Company. The shaft will be pushed downward several hundred feet before further sinking is undertaken.

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## INDEPENDENCE SHOWS VALUES.

Bullion Ships Ores That Yield in Excess of \$100.

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## The winze from the tunnel has been opened with a whim and will be sunk to the level of the Independence before stoping is commenced.

## On the Grand Prize, adjoining, which is owned by Colburn, Lee Lakin and J. P. Kane, prospecting has revealed the presence of a rich vein of copper, which is being worked by the Independence.

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## It is rumored that the Tonopah & Goldfield Railroad Company will build a branch to this camp, and that the Southern Pacific contemplates taking in this region. The Wonder group of claims from Fallon to Stillwater, about thirteen miles.

## Patrick, Elliott & Camp, who have the North Star group, almost adjoining the Wonder group, and the Truckee report a good showing on their property. The firm is building a telephone line from Fairview to Wonder and will soon open a banking institution, to be known as the Wonder Bank.

## Teams are busy having lumber and supplies to the district, which now numbers over 500 inhabitants. Nearly all the desirable town lots on the main line of the Wonder group have been sold at good figures and many buildings are being erected.

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## TRIANGLE CHANGES HANDS.

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# Development of Mining Industry Proceeds.

## Copper Company Is Building Branch Railroad.

A number of significant moves relating to the development of the mining industry of California will soon be current history. The greatest individual enterprise is credited to the Union Copper Company of Copperopolis, who will construct a branch railroad, twelve miles long, to connect its mine with the line of the Southern Pacific Company at Milton. The survey is completed. An eight-mile ditch has been nearly completed. The mine is about 17. An additional compressor has been ordered to furnish more power for running the machine drills. The timbers for the guides on the new way and upon their arrival the new patent Oliver slip will be installed. The company expects to be shipping again within thirty days.

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# Plan Proposed to Increase Interest of People of State in the Militia TALKS BY CITIZENS

## Brigadier General John A. Koster, commanding the Second Brigade of the National Guard of California, has sent a circular letter to each of the commanding officers of organizations throughout the State for the purpose of forming a permanent association of militia officers, already announced in the Call. It is believed that the organization and maintenance of such an association will result in the greatest good to the citizen soldiery and bring about the adoption of legislative measures which will be far-reaching and calculated to place the guard in better favor with the people of every community.

## The project of a public meeting, having for its purpose the attracting of the attention of the citizens of every county to the militia, where there is an organization of the National Guard to the relation of the citizen soldiers to the peace and welfare of the commonwealth, is meeting with considerable favor. It is probable that the first meeting of this character will be held in this city during the latter part of October. In order to make the meeting an attractive one it is proposed to have an exhibition drill by the different branches of the service located here and have an address by someone well versed in the subject of the guard, not only as a body to execute the laws of the State, suppress insurrections and repel invasions, but to show that as an adjunct to the regular army it is the first line of defense against the regular army. It is expected that the meeting will be invited to attend the meeting with the idea of interesting them in the guard.

## BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS.

The headquarters of the Second Brigade will be established this week on Van Ness avenue, between Turk street and Golden Gate avenue.

An order of the superior headquarters at Sacramento prohibits the original enlistment of any man into the National Guard or Naval Militia who is 45 years of age or over, but permits that an enlisted man of that age or over may be re-enlisted with the consent of the brigade commander, or, in case of the Naval Militia, the consent of the commanding officer.

The First Battalion of coast artillery is preparing to go to the Presidio for the purpose of receiving orders in the handling of coast defense guns and becoming acquainted in a practical manner with the routine of the artillerymen of the regular army.

The election in Company B, First Infantry, last Monday night, resulted in the election of Second Lieutenant R. E. Middlestead to the position of first lieutenant and of First Sergeant J. M. Middlestead, promoted. The election was followed by a supper, after which Colonel Kelly, Major Eggett, Major Blakely, Captain Duffy, Lieutenant Myers and J. Taylor, one of the oldest ex-members, spoke for the good of the guard.

Quartermaster Levy has called a special meeting of the Non-Coms Club to be held at the club. Company drill will be resumed this week, the first being held tonight. Captain Stindt, Company F, is arranging for a camp in the mountains of San Diego during October. The camp will be in the vicinity of Crystal Springs. The captain, appreciating the good work and the loyalty of the company, will entertain them at a banquet.

## LOOKING FOR RECRUITS.

At a meeting of the officers of the Second Battalion of the First Regiment last week, plans were adopted to recruit for the several companies and it was decided to secure first-class citizens as recruits. Company B, Second Infantry, has through the courtesy of Congressman McKinlay, received two three-inch breech loading guns for its armory in Colusa.

Company A, Captain Peterson; F. Captain Wether, and Company G, Captain McConnell, composing the Second Battalion of the Fifth Infantry, are being recruited by the company commander, Major J. B. Lauck, to accompany that official on the complimentary cruise of the Alert, tendered him for next Sunday. The vessel will start on Saturday from the anchorage at Sausalito at 10:30 a. m.

## COMMISSIONS ISSUED.

Commissions have been issued from superior headquarters at Sacramento to the following named:

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