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ARCHBISHOP RIORDAN

THE silver jubilee of Archbishop Riordan's assumption of authority over this diocese is justly made an occasion of high ceremonial observance and popular rejoicing, in which men and women of all creeds may join.

In the religious and the civic life of San Francisco Archbishop Riordan has for twenty-five years exercised a wise and conservative influence. As the archdiocesan head of a great church he has given to Caesar the things that were Caesar's, and to God the things that were God's.

Archbishop Riordan has been with us in time of trouble and tribulation, and his guiding hand pointed the way through the valley of desolation, while his voice bade us bate no jot of heart or hope. Now that the light shines once more on San Francisco and the city hums again with eager life, its people unite in wishing him long life and godspeed in his great work.

HEARST'S SHABBY TACTICS

IN the fashionable intelligence of the day people who follow the doings of the great world—the "higher up" world, in fact—will have observed the return to these blessed shores of Mr. Garret McEnerney, after a fortunate escape from shipwreck; fortunate alike for stay at home-folk in San Francisco and for Mr. McEnerney, because the wheels of justice do not turn in this bailiwick during his absence and gas bills are piling up.

While the people of San Francisco need McEnerney in their business, there has been observed no eagerness on the part of Mr. Hearst to ask him for certain information that he possesses—information for which Hearst clamors every day and every hour. Mr. McEnerney can tell Mr. Hearst exactly what was done with that \$30,000 for which Francis J. Heney received to the Contra Costa water company.

It is all in line with Hearst's cheap and shabby policy of suppressing the most important parts of the truth. He tried the same sharp practice on the stage of the Central theater in this city, when he read an editorial from The Call, written more than two years ago, and sought to convey the idea that it represented the present policy of this newspaper.

KEEP THE MONEY AT HOME

THE CALL hopes that the contracts for the iron and steel to be used for the auxiliary water plant will not be suffered to go out of the city. We are assured that the structural iron and steel manufacturers on the ground are fully competent to handle the work.

The city is contemplating building the new water system and our iron and steel foundries are wondering where the contracts will go. Of the \$5,000,000 bond issue that will just about cover the expense for the 50,000 tons of pipe for the new salt water system that is to be installed very soon; the 8,000 tons of fittings, 4,000 tons of special grade fittings (to be used where the pressure is greatest), and 12,000 tons of hydrants, we wonder how much of that money is to be given to the local iron and steel plants of the city?

Besides, there is the circulation of this money spent by the workmen among the tradespeople and deposited in the local banks—thus producing ways and means for all concerned.
We can not afford to drain the financial life blood of the community. The money must be kept at home, even if the work costs a little more.

YOUR NICKEL IN THE SLOT

THE democratic campaign committee for California has issued a pathetic appeal for funds addressed to the faithful. At republican headquarters there is an empty treasury. The campaign is moving on a six-bit basis, for the wind is not raised by whistling. The sad eyed politician ejaculates, "Nothin' doin'."

This money will go into a special fund called "the Bryan fund," and after the election a copy of this letter, with a list of contributors, will be sent to Mr. Bryan so he may know who his loyal friends are in California, and that when this urgent appeal was made in his behalf you were not found wanting.

How to Help Business



put a nickel in the slot and take home a turkey. Take a gambler's chance on a fat office. Gambling, of course, is immoral, and on that ground the stern moralist must condemn. Besides, Chairman Dewitt's appeal smacks of the queer inverted logic that tells you "It's a good bet if you lose."

Gone are the glories of those prosperous days when "Ole Bill" English presided at the democratic board. In that well barreled season 10,000 sturdy democrats, for the occasion, walked the streets of San Francisco, carrying torches, at \$3 apiece. They called it a parade of "businessmen," and Chris Buckley, raising his sightless eyes to heaven, gave his blessing, and said the raven, "Nothing more."

This is a campaign of moral issues. The other day a political artist, who throws off campaign portraits with a whitewash brush and by the yard, was heard lamenting the niggard spirit of a great moral circus, in this wise:

Backgrounds come extra—it's mostly the republican party that has them put in. I used to have three helpers—now I don't work myself four days in the week. Had one background artist here last week and the dad rattled foot put a military scene back of the best Bryan I had, and the club wouldn't have none of it. It ain't easy to put in a good moral background, though—n moral issues, I say.

The conclusion of the artist's unhappy syllogism has a familiar sound in San Francisco. What we want is prosperity. What are these moral issues? Will they mend a broken leg? No. Or put money in your purse? No. Who has them? The man who died last week. It is enough. Then put your nickel in the slot—in the republican slot, of course.

NEW WONDERS OF "WIRELESS"

ELECTRICITY grows no less mysterious than ever. Indeed, experience seems to add new and unexplained phenomena as the years pass. A man on Russian hill talks to another in Hawaii, and the medium of communication is nothing more tangible than air. We talk learnedly of Hertzian waves and we know that such waves may be generated by electricity, but we do not know what they are, nor can we explain them.

Of course, this message committed to the elements goes other-where than to its intended destination. The sender sits at the center of a great circle and his words may be picked up by anybody inside the circumference and provided with the right apparatus. This limitation and liability may interfere in some degree with the commercial uses of wireless telegraphy and may hamper its operation in time of war, but there still remains an important field that may be filled with advantage.

Answers to Queries

CIVIL SERVICE—Several correspondents, city and state: Persons desiring to take an examination under the United States civil service laws should send an application to the civil service commission, Washington, D. C., when an application blank will be forwarded to the applicant together with the desired information.
THIRTEEN—B. Eureka, Cal. Why is 13 considered unlucky, as, for instance, 13 persons dining together?
It is said that it is unlucky for 13 persons to sit down to dinner at the same table, because one of the number will die before the year is out, and that one the first who leaves the table. This superstition is based on "The Last Supper" when Christ and his twelve disciples sat at meat together. Judas was the first to leave and he hanged himself. The number is not always unlucky as for instance in the life of Alexander III of Russia. He was the thirteenth emperor after Peter the Great. He ascended the throne, March 13, 1881, reigned 13 years, escaped an attempt on his life March 13, 1887. His youngest daughter was born June 13, 1882.

Personal Mention

A. L. McMad of Ukiah is at the Dorchester.
Howard Frost and wife of Los Angeles are at the Jefferson.
Elliott McAllister of San Mateo registered at the Fairmont yesterday.
M. F. Tarpey, the wealthy Fresno vineyardist, is a guest at the Fairmont.
J. D. Spitz of New York and Rev. M. Coleman of Marysville are at the Baltimore.
H. R. Givens and wife of Weaverville have taken apartments at the Fairmont.
H. McBush and wife of Seattle, H. H. Eaton and wife of Ashland are at the Victoria.
William Avery, one of the leading citizens of Brownville, Tex., is at the St. Francis.
Sidney S. Benedict of New York and R. F. Harry and wife of Los Angeles are at the Savoy.
George J. Smart and wife of Los Angeles and R. A. Schmidt of Calistoga are at the Hamlin.
Among the arrivals yesterday at the Fairmont were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tobin of Burlingame.
David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford Junior university, is a guest at the St. Francis.
Walter Parker, the Los Angeles lawyer, accompanied by Mrs. Parker, registered at the Pacific Grand hotel yesterday.
Among late arrivals at the Holland are W. B. Carrick and wife of Stockton and C. J. Ogara and wife of Washington, D. C.
Mrs. A. H. Hill, Mrs. C. H. Wilhoit, Miss Janet Wilhoit and Miss Pratt, prominent society folk of Stockton, are at the Fairmont.
A. Ginochio, a merchant of Jackson, Cal., and W. W. Goldener, a prominent businessman of Fresno, are guests at the Pacific Grand.
Baron Frederick von Schoeder, nephew of Baron J. H. von Schroeder, arrived yesterday in this city and is staying at the St. Francis.
Among the guests at the Stewart are J. M. Archer, a Redding mining man; George D. Barber, a Redding attorney; Mrs. J. F. Kenealy and children of Winthrop, Cal.

having his first papers at least two years, and having resided within the United States five years, and after having attained the age of 21 years. The law was amended at the first session of the fifty-ninth congress, which began March 4, 1905.

DISTANCE—L. B. City. What is the distance from Baker street in San Francisco to the ferry?
You do not mention from what part of Baker street, but presuming that you mean the nearest direct line, the distance from Geary and Baker to Market and thence to the ferry is 14,500 feet.

HOME FOR AGED—Reader, Sacramento, Cal. Is there a home in San Diego for old men where one can, on payment of \$300 or any other sum, be taken care of for life?
The only home of that character is St. Joseph's sanatorium, conducted by the Sisters of Mercy. No one under 60 years of age is admitted and the minimum charge is \$2,000.

BELLEVILLE—G. J. A. City. Is there such a place as Belleville or Bellville in California?
There is Belleville in San Mateo county, about 55 miles from San Francisco by rail and stage, and Belleville, in Tulare county, distant 273 miles by rail and coach.

IMPERIAL VALLEY—S. Templeton, Cal. Where may I obtain information about Imperial valley in California?
Communicate with Arthur A. Briggs, president and manager of the State board of trade, ferry building, San Francisco.

The Insider

Tells how John H. McGraw, former Governor of Washington, learned names of city streets by working as conductor on a streetcar

Auto Ride Recalls Experience in City JOHN H. MCGRAW, former governor of Washington, president of the associated chambers of commerce of the Pacific coast and one of the leaders among Washington republicans, was not always so exalted in station. Time was when he served in humbler capacities, but just now his friends are speaking of him as a candidate for Taft's cabinet from the Pacific coast. Once upon a time Governor McGraw was just "John." That was when he was a street car conductor in San Francisco gathering shiny nickels from hurrying passengers. Market street was his principal place of business.

While in San Francisco during the convention of the Pacific coast commercial organizations a few days ago McGraw was a member of a party that was being driven up Market street in an automobile. As the car reached each intersecting street McGraw would familiarly announce "Sutter street," "Bush street," or as the case might be. He didn't get in the simplified "Sooter street," for the conductors of 1876 were not versed in the new rules of pronunciation.

A few days before this ride the ex-governor bought a street guide of the city, explaining to his friends that he was unfamiliar with San Francisco streets. When he called off the various streets as the machine approached them, without the aid of the directory, members of the party who knew about the lately acquired guide book were astonished.

"Why, Governor," said one of them, "you are a quick student. It didn't take you long to get acquainted with our streets."

"Ah," replied McGraw in his usual calm manner, "I was a conductor in '76 on these lines, but since numerous people have mentioned that I am to become a member of Taft's cabinet I deemed it wise to keep my car experience mum, fearing that the cabinet biographer might accidentally insert my early experiences as a San Francisco car conductor."

Banker Victimized by Seller of Lots Now that the bankers have returned from their trip to Denver, where they drafted measures to improve the banking laws, reminiscences of the trip are coming out. One of the best stories is told on a prominent interior banker who insisted that his name be kept quiet.

This financier, who did not take the special from this city, but went on the Overland, met an affable young man just out of Reno, who was engaged in selling new town site lots in a large Nevada mining camp. Banker and promoter engaged in conversation on various topics. Finally they fell to discussing the Nevada real estate venture. Each told who he was, what he did and where he lived. After several minutes' conversation the young man suggested that he send some of his literature to the banker. The banker agreed and signed his name and address in the affable youth's notebook.

The financier reached home a few days ago. When he handed his pass book to his teller to be balanced he discovered that his urbane companion on the trip across the Nevada desert had drawn on him for \$250. The draft bore the signature of the banker, and his exchange teller did not think for an instant that it was forged. He figured that the "boss" had spent all his ready cash and had drawn the draft so that he would have sufficient funds to reach home.

The Smart Set

MISS EDNA DAVIS will give her home over to a bazaar for the benefit of the Children's hospital the first week in December. It will be under the direction of Mrs. Marguerite society is composed of Mrs. Covington Fringle, Mrs. Leonard Hammond, Mrs. Russell Bogue, Mrs. Boswell King, Miss Edna Davis, Miss Sydney Davis, Miss Berenice Wilson, Miss Josephine Hannigan, Miss Helen Baker and Miss Edith Treanor.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Tevis, who have just come from their beautiful place at Bakersfield, are now at their Burlingame home, where they will remain a month. They will return to Bakersfield for the winter.
Miss Helen Baker was hostess at a card party Thursday at the Hillcrest, where she is spending the winter. Bridge was the game played, about a dozen girls competing for the dainty prizes. Some of those present were:
Miss Edith Treanor, Miss Elizabeth Newhall, Miss Florida Hunt, Miss Margaret Snow, Miss Marian Newhall, Miss Martha Calhoun, Miss Augusta Fouts, Miss Lucy Gwin Coleman, Miss Maud Wilson, Miss Margaret Calhoun.

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A bridge club has been formed in Mill Valley and will meet every Saturday evening in the homes of the members. The initial meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Stevenson. Among the members of the organization are:
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bunker, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Eastwin, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Folger, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. House, Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. William Stevenson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Whittle, Mrs. Doolittle, John G. Barker.

Many will go down this afternoon from here and society from Menlo and its vicinity will be well represented.
Mrs. Suzanne Kirkpatrick entertained a number of the debutantes at a tea yesterday at the Fairmont. Fourteen were seated around the table in the palm room. Those present were:
Mrs. McAfee, Miss John C. Kirkpatrick, Miss Augustus Fouts, Miss Harriet Alexander, Miss Innes Kenney, Miss Clara Allen, Miss Jeanne Gallois, Miss Helen Jones, Miss Hannah Du Bois, Miss Ethel McAllister, Miss Maud Wilson, Mrs. William Mayo Newhall, accompanied by Miss Julia Langhorne, will reach San Francisco Saturday. Mrs. Newhall went east only a few weeks ago after having spent the summer in Santa Barbara. Miss Langhorne has just returned from Europe, where she traveled with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hammond. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond came as far as New York with Miss Langhorne, but started immediately for Arizona, where they will remain all winter, making occasional visits to relatives here.

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Impertinent Question No. 73

What's the matter with Hearst?

For the most original or wittiest answer to this question—the briefer the better—The Call will pay FIVE DOLLARS. For the next five answers The Call will pay ONE DOLLAR EACH. Prize winning answers will be printed next Wednesday and checks mailed to the winners at once. Make your answer short and SEND IT ON A POSTAL CARD to IMPERTINENT QUESTIONS, THE CALL.

- Winning Answers to "What Would You Do if You Had a Million?"
\$5 prize to Miss Ruby Woodson, Petaluma. Kick because it wasn't two.
\$1 prize to Bert Lackey, 2738 Folsom street, city. I would spend the rest of my life making love to it.
\$1 prize to W. B. Black, 259 Sixth street, city. I would go up in a balloon to avoid my friends.
\$1 prize to H. W. Clark, 4008 Eighteenth street, city. Double it by betting on Taft.
\$1 prize to John F. Hassler, care Central bank, Oakland. Try to explain how I got it.
\$1 prize to Mrs. Dorothy Manderback, 575 Statist street, Oakland. Dream on.