

ALL SORTS.

-Wizard Oil at Geo. Thaxter's.
-There was a picnic in the Senate yesterday.

-A disagreeable scandal afloat in connection with the Opera House.

-"Thompson of Reno" is at the Capitol looking after Washoe county interests.

-Mrs. D. R. Sessions of Oakland is visiting her father, Senator Noteware, of this city.

-FOR SALE-The residence now occupied by Mr. Preble and family. Inquire at residence.

-The ladies of the Episcopal Church will hold one of their pleasant socials at the Armory Hall Feb. 8. Dancing and refreshments. Admission 50 cents.

-Ayer's Sarsaparilla wonderfully improves the complexion, and brings to old and young the bloom of health. As a purifier of the blood it has no equal.

Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court has under advisement the following cases: S. H. Wright vs. W. C. Dovey, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Superintendent Dovey, in making the January apportionment of State school moneys, did not include in the number of school census children of the State, the 50 wards now in the State Orphans' Home. This suit was commenced to compel this officer to include these 50 wards in the census population of Carson City school district. To include these wards would increase the amount annually received in that district about \$700, taking the same from the amount to be apportioned to other parts of the State.

The case of the State Board of Education vs. State Treasurer Geo. Tully, to compel him to invest \$50,000 in the State bonds of California. This suit is brought to test the constitutionality of an amendment to the Constitution providing for the investment of State school moneys in the State bonds of other States, as well as in United States bonds and Nevada State bonds, as originally provided for in the Constitution. It is believed that the Court will arrive at a decision in both of these cases of general interest within a few days.

Mrs. Sullivan on John

A letter from Mrs. John L. Sullivan says: "I see by the New York Herald that Sullivan says he has a broken arm and cannot fight. It is all a lie. I know his old dodges, and this is one of them. Patsey Cardiff was too much for him, and he invented the lame arm idea to save himself from a big whipping. I remember one time when he met Mitchell he told me that the Englishman would have done him up in more round. That is John L. Sullivan all over. He jumps at a man at the start and usually finishes him in the first or second round, or makes him unable to do much fighting. If he fails to use his enemy up at the end of three rounds, Sullivan grows scared, loses his wind and cries baby, the way he did in Minneapolis. I tell you that Patsey Cardiff can whip John L., and I am glad of it. He is a big brute and a coward."

Catholic Fair.

The ladies of the Catholic Church will hold a Fair at the Opera House on the 10th, 11th and 12th of February. Admission 50 cents; children 25 cents.

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THIRTEENTH SESSION

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY.

SENATE.

Senate met at 11 A. M., President in the chair.

Roll called, quorum present. Prayer by Rev. Van Deventer. Journal read and approved.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Powell-S. B. No. 68, an Act to amend an Act to regulate marks and brands on stock. Referred to Com. on Agriculture.

President pro. tem. in chair.

A. B. No. 34-An Act to amend an Act for the relief of insolvent debtors and the protection of creditors. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

A. B. 42-An Act concerning District Attorneys. Referred to Judiciary Committee.
A. B. 46-An Act providing for the erection of a hospital at Hawthorne, Esmeralda county. Referred to Esmeralda county delegation.

A. B. No. 9-An Act to establish a bureau of labor statistics. Referred to Committee on Education.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.
By Kaiser-S. Joint and Con. Resolution to Congress, in relation to hydrographical and topographical surveys. Referred to Joint Committee on Irrigation.

GENERAL FILE.

S. B. No. 61-An Act to amend an Act to preserve wild game. [Exempt quail from death for 3 years.] Passed.

S. B. 17-An Act authorizing the commissioners of Elko county to make settlement in matters connected with the State University. Ordered Engrossed.

S. B. No. 54-An Act to amend an Act concerning conveyances. Taken from the table, amended and ordered engrossed.

On motion, Senate went into Committee of the Whole, for consideration of S. B. No. 58, an Act to provide for the purchase of land at Stillwater, Churchill county, and the erection of a county hospital, Mr. Foley in the chair. Reported favorably and passed in Senate.
Recess till 1:30.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A. B. 38-Relative to the proving of Indian War Claims. Referred to Military and Indian Affairs.

S. B. 69-To provide for the lighting of State Prison and Orphans' Home with gas. Committee on Ways and Means.

S. B. 62-Relative to cattle branding. Ordered engrossed.
Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

House called to order at 11 A. M., Speaker McDonell in the chair.

Roll called, quorum present. Prayer by Rev. J. L. Woods.

Journal read and approved.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Powell moved that A. B. No. 40 be taken from table. Adopted.
Mr. Griswold moved that A. B. No. 50 be taken from the table and referred to Committee on Agriculture. Adopted.

By Williamson-That report of Assembly Committee on State Institutions be spread on Journal and 250 copies ordered printed. Adopted.

NOTICE OF BILLS.

By Griswold-Of an Act to repeal an Act authorizing the taxation of dogs.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING.

By Drury-A. B. No. 59, an Act to create a State Board of Equalization and define its duties. Referred to Joint Committee on Equalization.

By Wilson-A. B. No. 60; an Act to encourage the growth of fruit trees. [Provides \$10 per acre bounty to persons planting trees, to be paid out of county treasury.] Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

By Pike-A. B. No. 61; an Act providing for appointment of Road Commissioners and define their duties. Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

Resolution, out of order, by Leermo-That hereafter when Assembly take recess it be for one hour, unless otherwise ordered. Lost.

GENERAL FILE.

A. B. No. 36-An Act providing for the admission of State orphans to State University and provide for

their maintenance. [Drury's.] Ordered engrossed.

At 12:15 Assembly took a recess till 1:30.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

A. B. 31-Relative to County Assessors. Tabled.

A. B. 18-Concerning crimes and punishments. Special order for Feb. 7, (Monday) 1:30 P. M.

A. B. 49-Relative to government of incorporated towns. Passed; 32 to 7.

A. B. 47-To create office of Forest Commissioner. Passed; 37 to 3.

Substitute for A. B. 24-To encourage prospecting. Special order Feb. 2, (today) 3 P. M.

S. B. 1-Relative to fees and compensations of county officers. House refused to recede from amendments. Conference Committee appointed.

A. B. 40-Relative to selling animals affected with contagious diseases. Ordered engrossed.

Adjourned.

IN LIMBO.

George I. De Prans, the Confidence Man, Comes to Grief.

The Grass Valley Tidings has the following, which will interest a good many people whom De Prans has swindled:

Sheriff Lord came into town at 3 o'clock today, having in charge George I. De Prans, the general confidence man, of whose operations the Tidings gave a detailed account a day or two since. The Sheriff got news of his man late Thursday night, and Friday morning started on the track, a double team being the mode of conveyance. De Prans was traced through Marysville, Yuba City and different points on to Gridley, Butte county. When the Sheriff arrived at the latter place he found that the local constable had but a few minutes before arrested De Prans, having recognized him by the description sent through the country. Sheriff Lord was hot on the track and would himself have had the pleasure of arresting his man-had not the constable forestalled him.

De Prans left the horse and buggy borrowed by him from Mrs. D. Morrison of Rough and Ready, at Wheatland, and Sheriff Lord recovered the property and restored the same to its rightful owner.

The prisoner is not a naturally vicious man, but has been brought to his present level by too frequent libations of the flowing bowl.

The Reno Reduction Works.

Everything is life and activity at the Reno Reduction Works. More ore is coming in than can be worked, and in less than a year the Journal predicts the Works will be twice their present size. The Central Pacific has recently made a material reduction on ores from Colfax, Newcastle and Redding. The card rate was \$59 per carload, but the liberal rate of \$30 from Colfax, \$37 from Newcastle and \$40 from Redding has been given. The rate charged from points East of Reno is two cents per ton per mile, or \$2 per ton for a distance of 100 miles. This is a very fair rate, and Manager Howell says the Central Pacific folks have been very good to them. The Virginia and Truckee road is not as liberal as the Central Pacific. It charges \$4.40 per ton for \$50 ore from Candelaria, and proportionately higher prices will increase in value of the ores. The new smelter will be ready in about a week, and then every department will be in operation. Manager Howell and Supt. Carey work day and night, so that everything is going along like clock-work.

Carson might have had these works but for the opposition of a few cranks, who feared that if the town grew it would help somebody they were down on.

Congress Reduced the Surplus.

Three expert gamblers landed in Washington, D. C., the other day, with \$20,000 apiece, and walked out of town with about 60 cents as their combined assets, says an exchange. It would be highly interesting to know which Senatorial poker party they fell against, how much the limit was, and how much Jones of Nevada raised 'em.

When baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.

When she was a Child she cried for Castoria, When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria, When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

FAIR'S TREPPANNED HEAD.

A New Explanation of How it Came About.

An Eastern paper has dug up a new theory for the crack Fair got on the head some years ago. Here it is:

Mr. Fair is a peculiar man. He apparently trusts no one. People whom he could trust are those who are situated in such a way that they could not get into business enterprises with him. He distrusts all of his subordinates. He is one of the most secretive of men. If he has any financial project in view he never confides in or advises with any one. He acts on his own information and judgment. Although he is an uneducated man, yet he gave his physicians a lesson in surgery one day which surprised them. A number of years ago, when Mr. Fair was engaged in active superintendence of mining properties, he directed the boss in one of his mines to have a wrought iron crank made at a certain angle. This foreman told him that it was impossible. Mr. Fair then went to the works at the mouth of the mine, put on a workman's apron and cap, and began the work of making the crank himself, at the angle he had described. The foreman in charge of that room, coming around, saw a workman, as he supposed, disobeying orders in wasting property by trying to make what had already been declared an impossibility. He picked up a piece of iron and knocked the amateur workmen down just as he was completing the piece of work his foreman had said was impossible. This blow fractured Fair's skull. His life was saved only through trepanning. Mr. Fair today has a small silver plate in the top of his head. After he had recovered he felt very uncomfortable. He felt symptoms of a brain trouble. After a time he went back to the surgeon and said: "I am certain that that job was not well done; there is a splinter left in that wound-I can feel the prick of it." The surgeon at first would not listen to Mr. Fair, but he insisted on having it done over again. The surgeon then discovered that there was a splinter, and that if the Senator had not himself discovered the cause of his trouble his brain would have been affected in a short time beyond the hope of recovery.

Out here in Nevada there is another story about it. Fair kept promising a man a job, and the poor fellow hung about the works for weeks. Fair met him every morning with a pleasant smile, and assured him that he would be all right in a day or so, until the man learned that Fair was making a guy of him and laughing over it. Next morning he met Fair as usual.

"I can put you on tomorrow," said Fair, cheerily.

The poor dupe responded by knocking Fair down with a pick handle and hammering him senseless. This is the plain, unvarnished story that passes current in Virginia City.

"With all his Faults," Etc.

Last evening when the editor of the APPEAL went home to supper he was asked by his wife if he couldn't manage to secure some natural flowers for her as she wished to decorate the cell of a man in jail in Nevada county, California.

The editor agreed to get the flowers as he is not in the habit of refusing requests from that direction no matter how unreasonable they may seem but he determined to put in a mild expostulation just for form's sake.

"Don't you think it rather foolish for a grown woman to decorate jail cells with flowers?"

"It may look that way to you, but this man did me a great favor once and I want to show him that I appreciate the kindness. I haven't forgotten the favor and I shall send the flowers."

"Who in thunder is the man and what did he ever do for you?"

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