

Imperial Items

From our Regular Correspondent

F. J. Bold is taking a short vacation.

A. J. Howell is home from the coast.

Mrs. E. R. Fairbanks came in last Tuesday evening.

Mrs. C. F. Preble is home after a vacation of several weeks.

Walter Garey made a flying trip to Los Angeles and back this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Shepherd will leave for San Diego Sunday morning.

Mr. Mitchel left Wednesday morning for San Diego to be gone several weeks.

Chas. Dearborn and Isaac Lothian have returned after several weeks at San Diego.

Arthur Edgar returned Tuesday evening after a short business trip to Los Angeles.

We have never made poor ice cream and this year it's better than ever. Imperial Drug Co.

Dr. Toprahanian left Wednesday morning to join his wife at Colton. They will visit coast points.

Mr. Scott, who has been bookkeeper at Stevenson Bros. store, has gone to Nevada to accept a position.

Mrs. Paul Maul returned to Imperial Sunday morning from an extended visit to Arizona, Illinois and Kentucky.

The Imperial Water company have a new engine and pump on the ground for the use in furnishing domestic water for the town.

At the Republican primary held at the city hall Tuesday evening, there 28 persons present. The delegation elected to represent Imperial at San Diego August 21 consists of H. N. Dyke, R. H. Benton, F. E. Barbour, J. J. Sweeney and Arthur Edgar.

BIG DREDGE LAUNCHED

Monster Machine's Baptism Witnessed By a Large Crowd

The launching of the two boats yesterday was successfully accomplished and both are now floating at their moorings awaiting completion.

J. G. White & Company's barge was sent into the water about 9 a. m. It is to be fitted with oil tanks below decks for the transportation of fuel oil to the dam, and these will be of sufficient capacity to carry a full carload of the largest size.

The hull of the great clamshell dredge, building for the California Development company, was to have been launched at 2 p. m., but the greatest care was necessary in the handling of so large and heavy a structure, and it was 4 o'clock when the last hold back was cut and she slid down the ways.

A large crowd of people assembled at the ship yard to witness this launching, nearly all of the stores having closed to allow their employes an opportunity of seeing the interesting operation.

So nicely had everything been planned and calculated that the entire length of the side struck the water all at once, throwing up a great tidal wave that rolled across the river and dashed high up on the opposite bank. J. W. Brown, superintendent of construction, is to be congratulated on his successful management.

It has been decided to install the dredging machinery at the Yuma landing, and not at the Imperial Heading, as at one time reported. Four carloads of the machinery are already in the Yuma yards, and the work of placing it in position will begin at once.

This is the largest clamshell dredge ever made, its dimensions being as follows: Length of hull, 120 feet; beam, 54 feet 8 inches; depth 10 feet

8 inches.

The first work to be done by the great machine will be the dredging of a channel through the deposit of silt in the old river bed at the Mexican intake so the water may more easily flow down the original course when the dam across the intake shall have been completed.—Yuma Sun.

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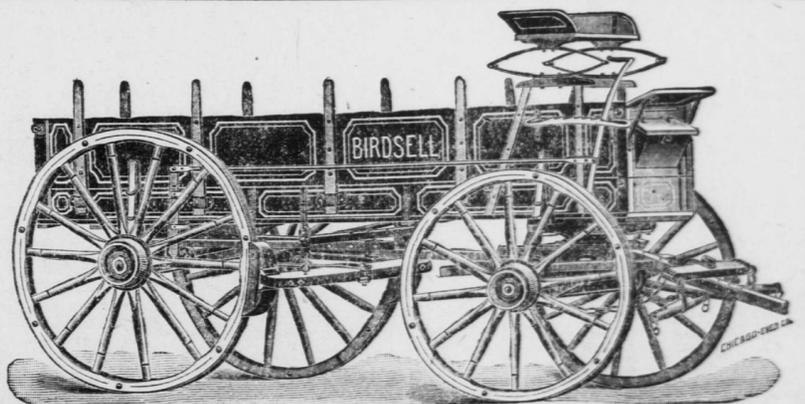
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