THE MIMIC WORLD.

Mid-Week Notes of Business at the Different Theaters.

The Kendals Finishing Up—Large Sale for the "Bostonians"—The McCabe Complimentary—General Mention.

Holy Week has not, so far, interfered materially with the Kendals' engagement at the Baldwin. They are closing out with a repetition of some of their previously produced pieces. Last night it was "A Scrap of Paper." This evening it will be "Impulse." Mr. Seymour Hicks, who plays leading juvenile, has been attacked by a serious illness and another member of the company has had to take his business. He played on the first night Archie Hamilton, the ward of Dr. Penguin, in the "Scrap," and played it very well, too. The peninsular climate is not good for the English constitution, it would seem, when the subject is a player. It is better for the California-street bank clerk of the same nationality, who appears to be impregnable. For the "Bostonians" the sale begins this morning, and the demand is urgent and large for the fortnight. The orders cover every change of opera, the management wisely announcing the changes beforehand.

"Evangeline"

Is running to fair houses at the New California. One of the best scenes in the travesty is the betrothal between Gabriel (Miss Bessie Tannehill) and the sweet Acadian maid (Miss Yolande Wallace). Gabriel is a dashing young laddie, but his raiment is remarkably scanty for a Nova Scotia climate, and Evangeline is very pretty and withal entirely too modest for burlesque; but she is supposed to be possessed of an enduring womanly affection, according to the poet. Miss Tannehill and Miss Wallace sang a very pretty duet in this scene; and here, also, the immense Fortescue comes in as Catherine, Gabriel's aunt, and makes no end of fun by his tremendous proportions. The "heifer dance" is also a part of the festivities, the legs being played by Messrs. Fred L. Turner and Robert Watson. Dixey took his first step on the ladder of dramatic promotion when he danced as the hind-legs of Evangeline's pet young vaca; but in this case the heifer dance hardly got a round of applause. It must be awful work for the young men who are bound up in that cowskin.

The Tank Scene

In "A Dark Secret," now running at the Grand Opera House to a crowded auditorium, is the piece de resistance of the whole drama. It is a triumph of realism, and more than any literary excellence of the text do those who attend the performances demand the realistic effects. Peterson's boat-race, the steam launch, the plunge of the heroine and her rescue, the illuminated church on the bank of what is supposed to be the Thames, the "Forty Not Yet" quartet on the landing party on the river, and even the ducks that float so complacently on the surface and preen themselves as they float, are more interesting than the choicest text that might emanate from an author's brain. And talking of these aquatic fowl, it was suggested to the management that the effect of the water scene might be heightened by the introduction of a couple of Bowans and a few geese; but it was found on investigation that the larger birds died soon after being introduced behind the scenes. The sturdy little sprigtail could alone stand the effect of bad acting.

Katie Emmett.

This is the name of a clever young soubrette who is booked for the Alcazar on April 14th. She brings a new piece called "The Waifs of New York," and both the play and herself will have their premier, on the date mentioned, in this city. Report says she is a star of draft. The scenic features of "The Waifs" are claimed to be important in the presentation, and to contribute not a little to the interest of the performance. Among the pictorial and other effects will be Trinity Church, New York, by moonlight, which, though by no means a ruin, will recall, in a degree, Sir Walter Scott's suggestion in regard to Melrose Abbey,

If thou wouldst view fair Melrose aright
Go visit it by the pale moonlight.

Then, in turn, Castle Garden at sunset, the Tombs Police Court, the Harlem Railroad bridge, with two trains passing in opposite directions at night, and also a very elaborate scene at Five Points, as that locality used to be before the hand of improvement invaded and purified it.

The McCabe Complimentary.

Manager John Maguire of the Grand Opera House, whose knowledge of the theatrical profession is only exceeded by his kindness and consideration for the members of it, when occasion demands, has concluded, on account of the necessity for more elaborate preparation, to postpone the grand complimentary matinee benefit for the veteran professional, Mr. John H. McCabe, till Thursday, April 10th. He has been indefatigable in concentrating talent for the occasion. Miss Maggie Moore (Mrs. J. C. Williamson) will do her famous "Nan, the Good-for-Nothing." Miss Julia Stuart, a pretty and graceful actress, an act of "Pygmalion and Galatea." The Grismer-Davies Company will lend its aid, and the "Evangeline" Company also. The Hallen and Hart combination will put in an appearance, and we are to have as well the great tank scene in "A Dark Secret." It was thought at one time Kendals would help this laudable proposition. They find, however, that their dates forbid it. But we think a very enjoyable afternoon will be had even without the adjuvancy of our English visitors. Let there be a rally for this testimonial. Those who give to the poor lend to the Lord, and, as Dean Swift said once in a charity sermon, "If you like the security, down with your dust."

"The Black Hussar,"

One of Millocker's best operas, is drawing well at the Bush-street. The house was quite full last evening and the performance passed off admirably. The finale of the second act was particularly noteworthy and attractive.

The Grismer-Davies Company

Continue "The Burglar" at the Alcazar all this week, following it with Lester Wallack's rather namby-pamby so-called military drama, "Rosedale." In the gipsy scene Mr. Grismer will have the assistance of his Grand Army comrades, who, in force, will cover the Bohemians in their encampments with their muskets at the critical moment when Elliot Gray rescues the boy from the vagabonds.

At the Tivoli

"The Gascon," pronounced a financial success, will be continued till further notice.

Hyde's Specialty Company

Are in their last week at the Orpheum, and an entire change of performance is given. On Monday, the 17th, a Franco-English opera company, direct from New Orleans.

"The Sword of Argantyr."

Mr. Frederick Corder's dramatic cantata, with this title, had its premier in North Britain by the Glasgow Choral Union, on March 4th. It was written for Leeds Festival of 1889, but Glasgow had the privilege of hearing it for the first time in Scotland. According to the North British Daily Mail of that city, the cantata impresses one as a work of great power, but a paucity of melodious themes will probably stand in the way of its ever becoming popular. The libretto tells the story of the recovery by Hervor, a Viking's daughter, of the enchanted sword belonging to her ancestor Argantyr, who had fallen in battle, and with whom the sword had been buried, being afterward protected by a wall of fire which Odin set around it. On the voyage south the men rebel against Hervor and Eric, the captain of the vessel, but are quelled by Hervor. She lands and recovers the sword with the aid of Hjalmar, a shepherd, who falls in love with her. In a struggle between them for the sword Hjalmar is killed, and Hervor, sternly suppressing her grief, leads her men home that by the enchanted sword she may free her people.

THE PRINCIPAL VOCALISTS

Were Mme. Louis Pyk (Hervor, the Viking's daughter), Mr. W. Ludwig (Eric, a captain, and the Spirit of Argantyr, Hervor's ancestor), and Mr. Charles Banks, as Hjalmar, a shepherd. Both Mme. Pyk and Mr. Ludwig have been heard in this city; Mr. Charles Banks, the tenor, is a newcomer on the concert platform. Mme. Pyk's declamatory singing and strong acting are liberally praised. As the cantata deals with her own country and its ancient traditions, she must have entered into her work of interpreting Hervor con amore. Besides the soloists there was an orchestra of fifty-three, and the choruses were sung by the Glasgow Choral Union, Mr. Joseph Bradley conductor. Why cannot Mr. H. J. Stewart secure a copy of the score of this cantata and put in rehearsal by the Handel and Haydn Society?

General Mention.

Manager John Maguire leaves for the Northwest Thursday week on important professional business.

Mr. J. M. Hill has engaged George Wessels for a revival of Steele Mackaye's "A Noble Rogue" under the new name of "Money Mad."

Late advices from Lawrence Barrett bring renewed assurances that his health is better than it has been in ten years.

The Princess Engalitcheff will deliver a lecture in Union-square Hall, Post street, between Powell and Mason, on Friday evening, April 4th, on "The Nihilists and other Political Parties in Russia." C. Mitchell Grant, F.R.G.S., will assist. The lecture will be followed by a conversazione.

Mme. Camilla Urso will give a farewell concert at Irving Hall on Tuesday evening, April 8th. This will be positively the last appearance of this great violiniste in San Francisco.

SETTLED ON THE ROOF.

Poet Day Knocks the Daylight Out of McKlayer Roberts.

Leslie Osman Day is a foreman and master brick-layer. Besides handling a trowel he occasionally pushes a pen and dropping into verse produces such gems generally on pugilistic topics as "Parsnips," "Turnips," "A Beautiful, Bleeding Nose," et al. He is also accredited with writing a society drama entitled "La Polonaise," which was to have been produced at a south of Market street theater. Furthermore Day is extremely chivalrous and from writing much pugilistic poetry has become somewhat of an expert in the joyous science of slogging.

On Tuesday morning Day, who was foreman of a gang of brick-layers at work on the new Evans Building, on Fourteenth and Market streets, remonstrated with one of his men, William Roberts, who, in the intervals of waiting for more "mort," amused himself by squirting water out of a big garden syringe over an elderly lady just returning from market with a big basketful of provisions. Roberts retorted in very uncomplimentary terms, and, one word leading to another, Day invited him to a combat in the pugilistic ring. Roberts accepted. Day, who is an Australian, and consequently of a sportive nature, offered to bet $150 he could teach Roberts a lesson in chivalry and not to squirt water over old ladies. Roberts and his friends jumped at the offer, the money was put up, and both men went into active training for the next few hours.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the men met in a ring pitched on the roof of a building close to Fourteenth and Market streets. It was a unique affair. Four skylights are in the roof—one at each corner. To the inner corner of each skylight stakes were nailed, and from these stakes stout ropes stretched, thus forming the arena.

Day entered the ring at about 190 pounds, and Roberts at 200. Gloves were dispensed with, though all the other ceremonials of a regular ring fight were observed. When time was called, Day slipped on the roof, and a halt was ordered until both men had taken off their shoes. The fight then commenced with both combatants in their stocking feet. It proved all one-sided. Day just punched Roberts whenever he pleased, and twice sent him flying out of the ring on to one of the skylights, only the grating preventing the unlucky Roberts from taking a header down some fifty feet. Roberts recovered somewhat, and got in once pretty well on Day's neck and shoulder, who retaliated by knocking him down heavily.

In the eighth round Day informed Roberts that "it was now all night with him," and landing twice heavily on Roberts' neck, knocked him out. Roberts was very badly battered, and will probably not squirt any more water on old ladies with market baskets, not at least while Day is around.

Day, after gathering up the stakes, celebrated his victory in an appropriate manner. He showed no marks of the fight. His friends among the brick-layers won several weeks' wages on his victory.

Day is now writing an eight-round tragedy, to be entitled, "Squirt! squirt with care," etc.

A "SPECIALIST" IN JAIL.

The Death of Mrs. Basker Charged to Dr. Sweany.

Tameny Basker, a married woman living at 121 Taylor street, died on Tuesday night under circumstances calling for an investigation by the Coroner. Two weeks ago she complained of illness, and her husband, Sol Basker, at her advice, called in Dr. Sweany, a "specialist," whose office is at 737 Market street. The woman had received one of Sweany's circulars, which are distributed daily about the streets, and in which it is stated that "he is a born physician, a graduate from the best medical colleges in the East, and diplomas hang on the walls of his office to remind his patients of his thorough literary, scientific and professional education."

What transpired during Sweany's visits the husband says he does not know. The wife grew so ill that Dr. Perry, late of the Board of Health, was called in, but when he learned all the facts connected with the case he refused to attend the patient.

When death resulted Dr. Perry was informed of the fact and instead of calling the attention of the Coroner to the case notified the Board of Health. Mr. Basker visited the Morgue yesterday afternoon and also informed Dr. Eaton of the occurrences leading up to his wife's death.

An autopsy was held last night and it was learned that a criminal operation had been performed. The case was reported to the police and late last night Dr. Sweany was arrested on a charge of murder. He declined to say anything about the case.

PERSONAL NOTES.

A. G. Field of San Jose is at the Palace.

M. J. Ross of Santa Rosa is at the Lick.

R. C. Terry, a Clayton merchant, is at the Lick.

H. L. Bell of Helena, Mont., is at the Palace.

W. H. Holmes of Los Angeles is at the Palace.

F. J. Barnes, a Chicago banker, is at the Baldwin.

Lieutenant G. W. Brown, U. S. N., is at the Baldwin.

Sol Runyon, the Courtland grain-dealer, is at the Grand.

S. S. Schoonmaker of Pittsburg, Pa., is at the Palace.

Judge G. A. Blanchard of Sacramento is at the Grand.

J. J. Groom, a Los Gatos fruit-canner, is at the Grand.

G. T. Hansen, a Boston hotel-keeper, is at the Baldwin.

Major W. E. Dement of Astoria, Oregon, is at the Grand.

Dr. Theodore Huntingdon of Sacramento is at the Palace.

Colonel James McNasser of Sacramento is at the Grand.

C. A. Brown, a merchant from Honolulu, is at the Occidental.

Rev. Frank Thompson, Chaplain U. S. N., is at the Occidental.

Bruce Cavitt, a popular young lawyer of Fresno, is at the Palace.

James McCudden, a Vallejo railroad contractor, is at the Grand.

J. J. Coleman, a well-known resident of Marysville, is at the Lick.

W. A. Mears, a banker from Spokane Falls, is at the Occidental.

Count G. Valensin of the Pleasanton Stock Farm is at the Palace.

W. L. White, a Portland (Oregon) real estate dealer, is at the Baldwin.

Charles A. Davis, a mining man from Sioux City, Dak., is at the Occidental.

Alexander McCone, a prominent foundryman of Virginia City, Nev., is at the Occidental.

H. S. Lubbock, Supervising Inspector of Steam Vessels, has gone to Yuma, Ariz., to inspect Colorado River steamers.

Christopher Buckley, the well-known politician, left for Coronado Beach yesterday to be absent about two weeks.

Samuel Flint, Assistant Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service, has gone to Los Angeles on business of the department.

Yesterday no less than three out-of-town bankers registered at the Grand. They were: F. Cox of Sacramento, J. D. Stevens of Woodland and E. J. Wilson of Vallejo.

Samuel H. Daniels of the Bank of California's bullion and exchange department is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home, 1321 Leavenworth street. He was slightly better yesterday.

Sergeant of Police W. D. Hensley, who has been most seriously ill for several months, intends going to Texas when the Police Commissioners act upon his application to be retired from the police force.

Manuel Dieguez of Guatemala, Minister of that republic to Mexico, and staff, arrived on the City of Sydney last Tuesday and registered at the Occidental. The party is en route to Mexico. Minister Dieguez states that the best of feeling prevails between the two countries, and that the formation of the United States of Central America is one of the possibilities of the future.

The party of four of the leading hotel-keepers from the East, now with their families at the Palace, visiting the Pacific Coast on a pleasure trip, will go to Monterey next week and from there south, returning here to go home via Portland. They had intended going through the park and out to the Cliff yesterday, but the disagreeable weather deterred them from doing so. Last night they visited the theaters.

The late Sir William Gull, the London physician, left a fortune of $1,750,000.

LABOR AND LABORERS

Machinists' Wages Reduced at the Union Iron Works.

Many Donations for the Relief of the Molders and Core-Makers—Plumbers Will Demand an Eight-Hour Day.

The members of the Machinists' Union are suffering severely on account of the molders' strike, which has caused a majority of them to be thrown out of employment. This, however, is not their only cause for complaint.

On March 1st the machinists employed in the Union Iron Works (about 250) were notified that their wages would be reduced 25 cents a day. They accepted the reduction, and two weeks ago were notified to prepare for another cut on the 1st of April.

The second cut, like its predecessor, was also a reduction of 25 cents per day, and outwardly, at least, it was accepted with meekness by the men, who are now working for 50 cents a day less than they received before the strike began.

The union is not at present in a condition to fight the employers; but there are members who say that the action of the Union Iron Works in cutting wages at the end of a hard winter will never be forgotten. Notwithstanding the union's straitened circumstances, it donated $200 to the strikers at last night's meeting and promised to give them more if they need more.

NO SYMPATHY FOR THEM.

Two of the Imported Molders in the City Refrigerator.

M. J. Welsh and J. Barry are in trouble and in prison cells. Both are rough customers, and, judging from their appearance yesterday afternoon, much addicted to water-front whisky. Barry claims to be a brick-layer and Welsh a railroad man. They stated that under the representation of being molders they secured transportation to this city from the East recently.

Officer Egan of the Harbor Police took Barry to the North Harbor Police Station yesterday afternoon on the suspicion that he was one of three men who called at a lodging-house on East street, near Commercial, about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, and asked for a room. Having no money the request was refused.

Soon after they left, George Buchanan, an old veteran of the Mexican War, who rooms in the lodging-house in question, reported to the landlord that his room had been entered and a silver watch and chain stolen. The officer who took Barry in ascertained that he and another man had pawned Buchanan's watch for four drinks at a water-front saloon.

Barry gave descriptions of his comrades and on this Sergeant Langford soon after arrested Welsh at the Oakland Ferry and turned him over to Officer Hall. When Welsh was searched at the North Harbor Station an upper and lower set of false teeth and two pairs of spectacles were found on him. He was unable to account for them, his own dental apparatus being in perfect order.

Barry and Welsh were confronted and the former accused the latter with the theft of Buchanan's watch. An officer was sent after Buchanan to identify the property, but as Buchanan is greatly crippled and hardly able to move the two men were locked up, Welsh for burglary and Barry for habitual intemperance.

BISMARK A "DESPOT."

Trades Unions Censure Local Admirers of the Ex-Chancellor.

Furniture-workers' Union, No. 15, and the Brewery Workmen's Union, both of which are largely composed of German-Americans, have unanimously adopted the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, In consequence of the resignation of Prince Bismarck from the office of Chancellor of the German Empire, a self-constituted committee of naturalized citizens has called upon the German-American people of this State for voluntary contributions for the purpose of making a donation to the retired Chancellor as a token of the appreciation in which he and his acts are held by the German-Americans; and whereas, the membership of our union is mainly composed of former subjects of the German Emperor and his "Iron Chancellor," through whose despotic measures in the Fatherland they were compelled to seek a better and freer country and home in the United States; be it

Resolved, That we condemn the action taken by that self-constituted committee as unworthy of men who have sworn off all allegiance to foreign potentates and despotism in general, and who have pledged themselves to adhere to republican principles.

Resolved, That, in our opinion, such an homage paid to the greatest despot of our age is an insult to all free and liberty-loving German-Americans; and

Resolved, That the said committee does neither voice the sentiments of nor represent our loyal German-American citizens.

PLUMBERS AND GAS-FITTERS.

They Will Demand a Reduction of Hours on May 1st.

Few members of the Plumbers' and Gas-fitters' Union were absent from the meeting of the organization, which was held last night in the Alcazar Building. It was one of the most important meetings held by the union, as the question of demanding a reduction of hours after May 1st was taken up for settlement.

The debate was long and animated and resulted in the adoption of a resolution that on and after May 1st the members will work but eight hours per day. The crafts represented in the union are thoroughly organized, and it is thought that few employers will be found to oppose the demand which will be made four weeks hence.

The union voted to give $100 per month to the iron-molders until their strike is settled and $50 per month to the core-makers who are on strike.

The Secretary of the union also reported that since the above strike began the number of plumbers coming to this city has largely increased.

WHITE-LABOR LEAGUE.

Fifty Dollars Per Week Will Be Given the Strikers.

Seven new members were added to the Boot and Shoe Makers' White-labor League at last night's meeting of that organization, and the Finance Committee reported that it had obtained sixty prizes to be contested for.

A resolution was passed that any member working in a shop where Chinese are employed shall be fined $50 and shall be suspended until the fine is paid.

The union will donate $50 per week to the molders until their strike is settled and $25 worth of tickets were purchased for the ball to be given for the relief of the striking core-makers.

The action of the Council of the Federated Trades in establishing permanent headquarters and in paying a salary to the Secretary was indorsed.

Unemployed Women.

A meeting of unemployed workingwomen was held at 909½ Market street yesterday. Mrs. Howard, one of "Colonel" Willey's followers, presided. There were about 150 women present, of whom two-thirds appeared to be domestics. They listened attentively to the addresses made by Mrs. Howard and others who are prominent in the Nationalist movement. They will be organized into a union this afternoon, and will meet regularly at 1153 Mission street. At the close of the meeting many of the women signed "Colonel" Willey's appeal to the President and Congress to loan the city $5,000,000 to be used in giving labor to the unemployed.

President Jenner.

The Typographical Union held a special election yesterday for President. The polls were open from 12 to 8 o'clock and 540 votes were cast. The candidates were Sylvester H. Jenner, M. E. Atkins and J. H. Simpson. When the votes were counted it was found that Jenner had been elected by a majority of 24, having received 282, Atkins 231 and Simpson 27 votes.

Butchers' Association.

The Agitation Committee of the Butchers' Association reported that it had been very successful in obtaining signitures to a petition to the Board of Supervisors requesting it to compel meat peddlers to comply with the license law. A committee of seven was appointed to bring the matter before the License Committee of the board at its next meeting.

A New Union.

Sixteen of the fifty stair-builders employed in this city met at Academy Hall last night and organized a union. The Organizing Committee of the Federated Trades was present and addressed the union on the benefits to be obtained by association. A committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws.

Generous Cleveland.

The Alexander Loughlin Company of Cleveland recently wrote to the Pacific Iron and Nail Company of this city authorizing it to draw $250 for the benefit of the unemployed. The recipients of the communication wrote in reply that the money was not needed here, as the city was abundantly able to take care of its own needy workmen.

Musicians' Union.

The members of the Musicians' Union refused to play at Irving Hall on Tuesday night at the benefit given to Albert Marks until the Golden Gate Military Band (non-union) had been discharged. The non-union band volunteered to play outside the hall while the union orchestra performed within.

Brick-Layers' Union.

At a meeting of the Brick-layers' Union last night $50 was appropriated for the purchase of tickets for the ball to be given for the benefit of the striking core-makers. Nine candidates were initiated.

Granite-Cutters' Union.

The Granite-cutters' Union donated $200 to the striking molders. Candidates for the offices of the union were nominated and five applicants for membership initiated.

NOT FORGOTTEN.

Two Thousand Dollars Received by the Strikers.

The Money Came From the International Treasury—Five Men From the East. An Arrest for Vagrancy.

The striking molders are more confident than ever that they will beat the Manufacturers' Association in the contest for supremacy. Their hopes of victory received a strong stimulus yesterday, when the letter-carrier came into the little room where they assemble daily with a letter containing a check for $2000.

The money came from the Treasurer of the International Iron-molders' Union, who wrote as follows:

To John S. Collins, Corresponding Secretary of Union 164—DEAR SIR: In your care I send $2000 draft payable to Peter Foley received for Union 164. Hoping you will win the fight, I remain yours fraternally,

CARROLL BENDY, Treasurer I. M. I. U.

Immediately after the receipt of the draft the strikers were paid $7 per capita by the Executive Committee.

The molders no longer deny that men are coming from the East in small numbers. Five arrived from Philadelphia on Tuesday evening and one of them had an experience which he will not soon forget.

CAPTURED BY THE STRIKERS.

He was captured by the strikers and taken to the Southern Police Station, when a charge of vagrancy was made against him. A large crowd followed the Eastern man and his captors to the station, but the officer in charge would not entertain the complaint and the captive was set free.

During the afternoon the strikers captured a molder who said he had come from Philadelphia by way of the Isthmus. He told a CALL reporter an interview which, that four other molders came on the same steamer. He said that he left Philadelphia on March 3d, and did not know that the molders of this city were on strike.

He alleged that he came here because he had seen an advertisement offering $3 per day and one year's work to molders who would come to this city. He said that there is no scarcity of work in the East, but he could not earn $3 per day there.

Several new men were given work at the Union Iron Works yesterday, and the Risdon and Fulton shops each secured a new assistant. As proof that men are coming from the East without being solicited, Henry T. Scott showed a handful of letters from molders who are anxious to come to the Coast. He parted with the following specimens of this correspondence:

SPECIMEN CORRESPONDENCE.

SALEM (Mass.), March 27, 1890.

Union Iron Works: I saw an "ad" in the Boston Globe for iron-molders with good wages and steady work. Please state wages and particulars and oblige,

HUDSON (Mass.), March 28, 1890.

Sir: Seeing a notice in the Boston Globe saying that you were in want of some iron-molders I thought I would write you a few lines. I have worked at the molding business a good many years on both bench and floor work. Have worked on locomotives, printing presses and cotton machinery. Am what you might call a man of very steady habits. Please answer immediately, stating terms and what the work is.

"In one month," Henry T. Scott declared, "this city will be flooded with molders and the strike will be over."

Irving M. Scott, who returned from the East on Sunday, said that while passing through Granger he saw two car-loads of boilers consigned to this city. In his opinion, if the manufacturers do not win the strike, the iron industry of the city is destroyed.

The Cigar-makers' Union has donated $100 to the strikers.

LOST BY REASON OF THE STRIKE.

It is stated that the iron-work for a building which is being erected by the State at Folsom will be supplied by Eastern firms, as it could not be done by local firms on account of the strike. It was also learned last night that the man who was taken to the Police Station as a vagrant had been caught by the molders as he was about to enter the Risdon Iron Works. He was followed to this city by Oakland pickets, who posted the Executive Committee. It is said that after being released he went back to the Risdon works.

ANGRY LAND-OWNERS.

Another Improvement Club Censures the Supervisors.

The newly formed Folsom-street Improvement Club met at Kelly's Hall, Folsom street and Precita avenue, last evening, William Montgomery presiding.

A permanent organization was effected by the adoption of a constitution and by-laws and the election of the following permanent officers: President, William Montgomery; Secretary, Jerome Wheelan; Treasurer, D. Kelly. The appointing of an Executive Committee was deferred for one week.

A resolution was passed condemning the recent action of the Board of Supervisors in including Folsom street in the assessment district, which has been laid out for the extension and improvement of Howard street. It was also voted as the sense of the meeting that the action of the board is illegal and unconstitutional, and a committee of three, consisting of D. Sullivan, W. Bartlett and D. Kelly, with the Chairman, was appointed to look up the legal aspects of the case.

Considerable indignation was expressed by members at the action of the Board of Supervisors in agreeing to put the consideration of the assessment district over for a week and then calling it up at a time when no one from Folsom street was present to protest. A vote of thanks was tendered, however, to Supervisor Boyd for his efforts on behalf of the Folsom-street property-owners.

The club was given to understand that William Montgomery and T. V. O'Brien would deed to the city a block of land on Folsom street, between Ripley place and California avenue, for the opening of the street.

It was decided to circulate a petition for presentation before the next Board of Supervisors, asking permission to cut through and improve by private contract Folsom, from Army street to California avenue.

VESTED CHURCH RIGHTS.

Protest Against Encroachment on St. John's Parish.

A fifty-vara lot, on the corner of Twenty-fourth and Bartlett streets, has been purchased by the Vestry of the Church of the Advent, for $21,000, as a site for the erection of a new church. The premises now occupied have to be vacated in September. The Vestry of St. John's Church and Parish considers this action an encroachment upon their vested rights, and have publicly raised an objection to it. The Vestry of the Church of the Advent announces the intention of not being influenced by the objection raised.

A Costly Fence.

By resolution of the Supervisors, the iron fence inclosing Portsmouth Square will soon be removed. It was erected in 1854 at a cost of $45,000, which was then considered a piece of remarkable municipal extravagance. For late years the famous inclosure has become the meeting place for the criminal classes, and its removal is intended to drive them away, so that decent citizens may enjoy the park.

A Dog-Trainer Arrested.

Eugene Geary, a dog-trainer, was arrested yesterday afternoon in Golden Gate Park by Officer Salter for violating an ordinance prohibiting the taking of dogs into the park. He had at the time a pack of six greyhounds with him and was exercising them. He and the dogs were taken to the new City Hall Police Station, where a charge of misdemeanor was booked against him. He was released on bail.

A Shock of Earthquake.

A slight shock of earthquake was felt last evening throughout the city at 9:30 o'clock.

Lewis Price, a colored man of Denver, Colo., is worth $200,000, made in real estate.

SPURIOUS DOLLARS.

Arrest of Two Men Wanted by the Government.

They Are Overhauled in South San Francisco by Police Officers—Bad Money Found on Their Persons.

During the past few months the city has been flooded with counterfeits of dollars and half-dollars, and the Secret Service Agent of the Government, assisted by the Police Department, has been assiduously working to ferret out the parties responsible for the circulation of the imitation.

The counterfeit of money is a poor semblance of the genuine article, being light in weight, dull in color, lacking the true ring and greasy to the touch. Several persons who had been victimized reported their grievances to Secret Service Agent Harris, and a very accurate description of two men who had passed the counterfeits was obtained.

A printed circular with a description of the men was furnished Chief of Police Crowley and he had them distributed among the members of the department. The result is that the men have been landed in jail and from certain evidence gathered against them it is more than probable that the right ones have been secured. In fact the police state positively that the prisoners are the parties who are implicated in the wholesale spreading of the counterfeit cash.

Yesterday afternoon word was received at the police station in South San Francisco that two men had passed imitation of money in Chris Johnson's saloon, in the neighborhood of the station. The bar-tender had accepted the counterfeit in payment for drinks, and immediately discovered its quality. He gave back such change as was due without making comment, but quietly dispatched a messenger for the police.

SEARCHED BY THE POLICE.

Officers Bennett and McConnell proceeded to the saloon and placed both men under arrest. They were searched and sufficient proof was found in the process of emptying their pockets to hold them on a charge of felony. Last night the prisoners were transferred to the City Prison and registered on the delinque book for passing and having counterfeit of money in their possession.

The men gave the names of James Casey and James Birmingham. Both are middle-aged and the latter is well dressed, while Casey looks something like a cowboy. As part of the evidence against them are three imitations of dollars bearing the date of 1884 and a number of dollars that had been split in half and the metal scooped out. The shells of the silver pieces were neatly glued or pressed together and the fraud could only be detected by weighing the money in the hand.

When interviewed the accused strongly protested their innocence. Birmingham says he is a teamster, and has been but a short time in this city, having recently come from Modesto. He claims to have recently been employed by a draymam named Charles Warren. He also stated that on Tuesday night he took part in a poker game on Third street, and quit the table a winner. Yesterday morning he visited a coffee saloon on the same street and received silver in change for a $5 piece. He believes he received some of the counterfeit money either in the game or in the coffee saloon.

THEIR STATEMENTS CORRESPOND.

Casey told almost the same story as related by his fellow-prisoner. He had been working in several places in the interior, he said, and was but a few days in town. Casey could not account for a counterfeit of a dollar found on him. The prisoners stoutly denied having been acquainted with one another before yesterday, but detectives will be sent out to-day to trace up their antecedents and if possible to discover their headquarters. Birmingham and Casey declared that they had no settled place of residence, but moved about from one lodging-house to another.

Officer Bennett stated that he is positive that the prisoners are the men who were arrested in South San Francisco about five years ago while preparing to engage in a burglary. At that time word was received late one night at the station that two men were acting in a suspicious manner about the office and barn of a grain-dealer named Stuntz. An officer and several citizens approached the place, and behind the barn found two men with masks and revolvers.

They were arrested and one, whom Bennett is almost positive is Casey, was sentenced to the House of Correction for six months for carrying a weapon concealed, that being the only charge on which he could be prosecuted. The other man, whom Bennett believes is Birmingham, forfeited his bail, amounting to $50, and left town.

Secret Service Officer Harris could not be seen last night about the matter, as he had gone to San Jose.

HIS MIND IS UNSETTLED.

Joseph Comerford Becomes Subject to an Hallucination.

Joseph Comerford, one of San Francisco's oldest residents and a wealthy and respected citizen, was taken to the Seventeenth-street Police Station last evening by Officers Morrow and Wangman on a charge of insanity.

Mr. Comerford, after whom the tract on Twenty-ninth street is named, has recently been buying a large number of building lots in the vicinity of the Golden Gate Park, and the anxiety and trouble connected with the purchases has slightly unsettled his mind.

He imagines that some one is trying to rob him, and of late has been very violent. He was sent to the Home of the Inebriates, where he will be kept until seclusion and rest will restore him to his normal condition.

He Saw Burr.

In a letter to THE CALL R. Ten Broeck writes, under date of yesterday, from San Mateo: I noticed an article in your paper of this date regarding Burr and Hamilton. I often saw the former in 1828, walking up State street, in Albany, to a building called the Capitol, where the courts and Legislature held their sessions. He was about 5 feet 2 inches in height, quite erect, dressed in black, profuse white hair and wore a cue. He had invariably his hands crossed behind him, had a somber expression of countenance and invariably fixed his eyes on the ground or in front, and never had a companion. Had I the gift of a painter to rival nature's art I could portray Burr as I saw him.

McCabe's Successor.

James W. McCabe, Chief Deputy Tax Collector, was the proudest man in town yesterday. His wife had early in the day presented him with a twelve-pound heir and prospective successor in office, and new City Hall air became too rarefied for the proud parent. He was deluged with congratulations and came near spending all of his month's salary in toasting the "youngster."

Interfered With Inspectors.

Richard Murphy interfered with and also applied vile language to United States Customs Inspectors on Beale-street Wharf yesterday afternoon, and he was arrested by Captain of Inspectors W. A. Harrigan and booked at the Southern Station on a charge of using vulgar language.

Miss Ella Ewing, a Missouri girl, 18 years old, is 7 feet 8 inches tall and weighs 225 pounds.

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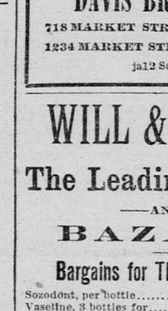

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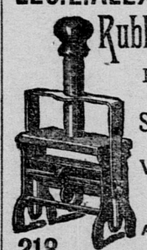
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