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THE STORM KING.

A Terrific Cyclone Whirling Through Ohio.

An Umbrella Factory at Norwalk Wrecked and One Girl Killed.

Many Others Badly Injured—Trains Delayed by a Furious Gale in Wyoming—At Other Places.

Special by the California Associated Press.

CLEVELAND, April 8.—A terrible storm is in progress in this section of the State. The day had been warm, and resembled Dakota cyclone weather, and culminated to-night in one of the heaviest rain-storms ever experienced in this section.

About 5 o'clock black, heavy clouds passed over the city, but no damage has been reported to-night here. It seems that it broke over Norwalk, a pretty little city of about 10,000 inhabitants, fifty miles west of the city and the county seat of Huron County.

A report from there says that a terrible cyclone struck there at 5 o'clock this afternoon. A large funnel-shaped cloud from the northwest bound eastward is leveling trees and buildings and scattering debris along the track. It touched only the edge of the city. There was terrible destruction at Sprague's umbrella factory. There were about sixty employes in the building, which was leveled to the ground.

Dora Palmer, an employe, was killed and probably twelve to twenty are badly injured. There is utter desolation about the site. Sprague's loss is several thousand dollars. Great excitement prevails about the city and crowds have gone to the ruins.

FURIOUS GALE IN WYOMING.

CHEYENNE, April 8.—The wind has subsided here, after blowing continuously at a high rate for thirty-six hours. At 6 o'clock this morning all the Union Pacific freight trains for 200 miles west of Cheyenne were held at sidings on account of the gale. The east-bound Burlington train which left at 8 o'clock last night was abandoned at midnight. For several miles in Northern Colorado, 100 miles east of this place, the track is covered with sand to a depth of from eight inches to three feet. The track will not be cleared for several hours yet.

PROPHETSTOWN SUFFERS.

CHICAGO, April 8.—A report was in circulation last evening that Prophetstown, Ill., had been blown away and great loss of life resulted. But a conductor on the Burlington Railroad, who left Mendota at 4 o'clock, says the damage has been overestimated. The telegraph manager at Mendota is in communication with Prophetstown and reported that the railway depot, one elevator and several frame buildings had been destroyed, but there were no losses of life. Several persons were injured, but no names could be obtained. Prophetstown is on the Clinton branch of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, in Whiteside County, and is one of the oldest towns in the State. It has a population of 800 inhabitants.

ALMOST DESTROYED.

LOUISVILLE, April 8.—It has been reported that Harpers Ferry, Henry County, Ky., has been almost destroyed by the tornado. The village is composed of less than two dozen houses, and is a considerable distance from any railroad. All the houses were blown down and the inhabitants buried beneath the ruins. Two persons were killed and seven or eight badly injured.

ELECTION CONTEST.

A House Committee Appointed to Make an Investigation.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The House Committee on Elections to-day appointed a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Lacey, Cooper, Bergen, Outhwaite and Wilson of Missouri, to visit Arkansas and collect testimony relative to the contested election case of Clayton against Breckinridge in the Second District, and the alleged assassination of Clayton. The sub-committee expects to leave for Arkansas in about two weeks.

LITTLE ROCK, April 8.—News of the appointment of a sub-committee of the House Election Committee to-day, to visit Arkansas and take testimony in the Clayton-Breckinridge contest in the Second District, is received here with great interest. It is learned to-night that Judge John McClure of this city, who was assisting Clayton in taking testimony when he was assassinated, will conduct the inquiry before the committee in behalf of the Government. He claims that he will be able to convince the committee beyond any question that Breckinridge's seat should be declared vacant. Mr. Breckinridge will be present at the inquiry, and his friends claim that the investigation will demonstrate his election.

PROVIDENCE, April 8.—Cranston and Jamestown were elected Republican Representatives. North Smithfield and West Greenwich failed to elect, and under the Statutes the present Representative holds over. The Legislature will stand: Republicans 52, Democrats 47, with nine to be elected from Providence. The Republicans will then need to elect two to control the Grand Committee, while the Democrats will need eight.

AN OFF YEAR.

The Democrats Elect Their Entire Ticket at Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, April 8.—At the city election to-day the Democrats swept the city. Holmes, the Democratic candidate for Mayor, carried every ward in the city over Davenport (Rep.), the present incumbent, by a majority of 2500.

The cities of fourth class held elections in Kansas yesterday, at which women voted generally. At Edgerton, the women elected their ticket, which was as follows: Mayor, Mrs. W. H. Kelly; Police Judge, Mrs. Thomas Green; Councilman—Mrs. S. E. Ewart, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Nat Ross and Mrs. Brown.

DETROIT, April 8.—Charter elections were held throughout Michigan yesterday. Among the larger places Kalamazoo, Ypsilanti, Marshall, Holland, Munroe and Hillsdale went Republican; while Lansing, Grand Rapids, Jackson, West Bay City and Muskegon have gone almost solidly Democratic. In the villages and townships the parties are about equally divided, with slight Democratic majorities prepondering.

HARTFORD (Conn.), April 8.—At the election held in this city to-day Henry C. Dwight (Rep.) was elected by 105 plurality. The city government is Republican on joint ballot by a majority of 2. This was the first city election under the secret ballot law.

RETALIATION.

A Canadian Defaulter Goes to New York With Another Man's Wife.

MONTREAL, April 8.—J. A. Quintal, a prominent French Canadian notary, has eloped to New York with the young wife of a contractor named Beaudry. Quintal leaves a wife and large family unprovided for. Through his peculations banks and friends here lose over $150,000.

GLADSTONE SPEAKS.

He Roundly Denounces the Ministry and Calls the Members Intruders.

LONDON, April 8.—Gladstone attended the baptism of his grandchild in Westminster Abbey to-day. On his way to London he was presented with an address at Weybridge, and in acknowledgment he spoke for fifteen minutes on political questions. He took occasion to roundly denounce the Government for the recent perfidious practices of the present Ministry, whom he declared were merely usurpers and intruders, who dare not submit their claims to represent a majority of the electors to the test of a general election, though they would be forced to do so soon.

RIOTOUS STRIKERS.

Soldiers Called Upon to Disperse a Mob at Vienna.

VIENNA, April 8.—At a meeting of strikers this afternoon the police attempted to interfere and were stoned. In the evening 8000 strikers met in a suburb and became riotous. They demolished the guard-room of the police and wounded an officer and burned several buildings. The mob was rushing through the streets plundering stores and breaking windows and street-lamps, when the militia was called out. The soldiers opened fire with blank cartridges, but it required two squadrons of cavalry and a battalion of infantry to disperse the mob. Fourteen policemen were wounded and thirty-seven rioters arrested.

CANADIAN FISHERIES.

The Dominion Government Will Renew the Modus Vivendi.

OTTAWA, April 8.—The Government has decided to renew the fisheries modus vivendi which expired February 15th. An act to carry out this intention will be introduced at an early day. The action is taken because at this particular juncture it is likely to have an effect upon the negotiations going on at Washington, and will be evidence of Canada's desire for an amicable settlement of the fisheries dispute, strengthen Mr. Tupper's hands and bring about a conclusion satisfactory to both countries.

THE CODE OF HONOR.

Rules Laid Down by the Emperor Governing Dueling in the Army.

BERLIN, April 8.—It is stated that Emperor William will appoint a court of honor to deal with quarrels between officers of the army.

The Emperor will only permit a duel for a blow or an insult to a lady relative when the offender refuses to apologize.

The City of Paris.

LONDON, April 8.—Captain Watkins of the City of Paris and Director Taylor of the Inman Line deny that the steamship Adriatic refused to assist the City of Paris. They also contradict the report that the accident made openings in the bulkheads dividing the engine-rooms.

A Boy Hanged for Murder.

LONDON, April 8.—Richard Davis, aged 18 years, was hanged this morning for the murder of his father. A brother, still younger, who assisted in the murder, was pardoned. The hangman was hissed and hooted.

A Mystery.

MADRID, April 8.—A box containing the bodies of sixteen white women, one man and one negress, all decapitated and embalmed, has been opened at the seaport of Morocco. The mystery has created an intense excitement.

The Southgate All Right.

HALIFAX, April 8.—The steamer Alpha has arrived. Monday she sighted the steamer Southgate, from St. Johns for New York, before reported disabled. The latter signaled that she did not need assistance.

Knappe Retired.

BERLIN, April 8.—Dr. Knappe, lately the German Consul to Samoa, has been placed on the retired list owing to his conduct at the time of the disorders at that place.

Insurgents Surrender.

ZANZIBAR, April 8.—Bwanie, Heri and Ichasi, the insurgent leaders, and their followers have surrendered to Wissmann.

Will Be Pardoned.

PARIS, April 8.—Le Rappel says a decree pardoning the Duke of Orleans has been prepared and will be issued to-morrow.

A Farewell Dinner.

BERLIN, April 8.—The Emperor attended a farewell dinner given to Herbert Bismarck to-night.

Dividend Declared.

BOSTON, April 8.—The Calumet and Hecla Mining Company pays a dividend of $5 per share May 5th.

THE RAILROADS.

Land Bonded for Union Depot Purposes at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, April 8.—William Embody and W. B. Michaels, representing the "Cross Road" in this city, have secured a right of way through San Pedro and have bonded land for a depot, yard and shops. The same gentlemen have bonded forty acres of land in this city for Union depot purposes. They will not state what company is back of the Cross Road, but it is generally supposed that it is the Union Pacific.

NEW YORK, April 8.—An application has been received at the Stock Exchange to list $1,000,000 of Oregon Improvement Company consolidated mortgage 5 per cent gold bonds, to take up the preferred stock.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The Michigan roads will raise passenger rates from 2 to 3 cents a mile, in plain violation of the Michigan State law. The railways claim that by the decision of the United States court in the case known as the Granger-Minnesota case a State has no right to compel them to make a 2-cent rate, and they intend to fight the matter in the proper court.

OLYMPIA, April 8.—The Board of Public Works will hold a meeting Thursday to confer with the agent of the Union Pacific for connections here. The Northern Pacific and Port Townsend Southern Railroad Companies also view this city as an objective point, all of which causes increased activity in sales of water-front real estate.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

CHICAGO, April 8.—Hans Thorpe, the twelfth victim of the sugar-refinery explosion, died at the hospital this morning.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The French steamship Panama, with a cargo of French wines, has arrived here, very little damaged by grounding on Long Island.

AURORA (Ill.), April 8.—Thirty cases of trichinosis are reported by the health authorities of this city. Six of the cases reported resulted from eating bologna sausages.

ELKHART (Ind.), April 8.—A fire broke out in "The Fair," the store of McLellan & Lowell, this morning, and the entire stock, valued at $25,000, was consumed. The stock was insured for $10,000 and the building for $4000.

California Inventors.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Patents have been granted to the following California inventors: John C. Stutt, San Francisco, turntable; Ernest L. Regmin, Sacramento, and T. J. Kingston, San Francisco, reversible window-sash; Eliza K. Smith, San Francisco, marker, cutter, etc., for plaster stone-work; Joseph Oswald, assignee of Harris, Oswald & Noble, San Francisco, sprinkler; Rokott E. Newin, assignor to the Vulcan Iron Works, San Francisco, saw-mill set works; William Gehring, San Diego, valve for steam-engines; James T. Dysart, Lakeport, carriage-top lifter; John Cook, San Francisco, sail; Hiram Butts and J. Edmonds, San Diego, brake-blocks.

Romero's Denial.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Senor Romero, the Mexican Minister, when asked what truth there was in the published report that a reciprocity treaty between the United States and Mexico was virtually agreed upon, said: "I have heard nothing of any such treaty."

Star Tips.

NEW YORK, April 8.—Star tips at Clifton—First race, Slumber or Vevay; second, St. Paris or General Gordon; third, Raveller or Little Jim; fourth, Sparling or Grimaldi; fifth, Enola or Florence; sixth, Gallus Dan or Dongan.

Secret Ballot in Maryland.

ANNAPOLIS, April 8.—Governor Jackson has signed the Australian ballot bill. The new law will be operative in Baltimore City and many counties.

AFTER MANY YEARS.

Death-Bed Confession of a Murderer.

The Sudden Disappearance of a Wilkesbarre Man at Last Explained.

An Arkansas Youth Kills His Father in Order to Save His Grown Sister From a Whipping.

Special by the California Associated Press.

WILKESBARRE, April 8.—Peter Gregory has made a dying confession of the murder of John Keating twenty years ago. He says that after the killing he dragged the body into the yard and threw it into an old well, which was afterward filled with sand. Keating was supposed to have gone to Australia.

IMMIGRANT EXAMINATIONS.

Castle Garden Methods Being Investigated by a Congressional Committee.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The Congressional Sub-committee on Immigration has opened its hearing here. Secretary Jackson of the Board of Immigration testified concerning the method of examining the immigrants. They pass single file before the Registers, by whom they are questioned as to age, destination, health, whether they have been a public charge or were convicted of crime, and the name of friends in this country. These statements are not made under oath, and a re-examination is ordered by the inspectors whenever the answers are not satisfactory. The largest number of immigrants ever landed in one day at Castle Garden was 1000. About one out of six immigrants is rejected.

CLOSED ITS DOORS.

A Kansas City Bank Failure Causes Great Surprise.

KANSAS CITY (Mo.), April 8.—The Manhattan Bank of Kansas closed its doors today, John W. Webb being appointed temporary assignee. The bank, in connection with other large and varied business enterprises, has been conducted by E. B. Purcell. Mr. Purcell is a Director in the Santa Fe Railroad and has had largely the management of the road's affairs politically and otherwise in the State of Kansas. He was regarded as the wealthiest man in the State, and his business failure is a general surprise. The extent of his liabilities has not been scheduled, but any time within the last month or so Mr. Purcell would have been rated as worth several million dollars.

CUNNING CHINESE.

A Mongolian Defense Which a Judge Could Not Accept.

NEW YORK, April 8.—Chu Fong and another Chinese accused Lawyer Seth R. Johnson of instructing them how to forge notes, under which several thousand dollars were fraudulently obtained. Chu Fong was indicted for forgery and set this up in defense. Johnson sued the two Chinese firms for $1800, the amount of one of Chu Fong's notes. This brought up the question of comparative veracity between Chinese and white men. Chief Justice McAdam of the City Court to-day decided the case in favor of Johnson, and said the Chinese asked the court to believe too much.

A CRAZY FREAK.

Assassination of a Young Lady and Suicide of the Murderer.

MEDFORD (Wis.), April 8.—William Williard, known here as "Crazy Kelly," to-day went to the residence of Maggie Pritchard, a young lady, niece of one of the most prominent citizens, and asked if that was her name. When she responded that it was he pulled a revolver and shot her dead. He then placed the revolver to his own head and blew his brains out. No reason can be given for the tragedy except that it was a crazy freak of Williard.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

An Extensive Cotton-Seed Oil Mill in Galveston Destroyed.

GALVESTON, April 8.—Heidenheimer's cotton-seed oil mill was destroyed by fire this evening together with its contents. The fire originated in the refining-room as the night gang went to work. The loss on the building is $130,000 and on the oil-cake and oil $70,000. The insurance is $20,000. One hundred people are thrown out of work. The International and Great Northern Round-house narrowly escaped.

KENTUCKY OUTLAWS.

A House Bombarded by a Gang of Masked Men.

HICKMAN (Ky.), April 8.—Jesse Speed and Will Matson were arrested on April 6th for arson. Rude Fowlkes, Gordan Barber and the brothers of Matson have been hunting for evidence to be used at the trial. At 2 o'clock this morning twenty armed whites went to the house occupied by the brothers, called out to them and gred forty shots into the doors and windows. An attempt to break the door was unsuccessful. Chloe Rollins, who was standing in her door, was shot in the face.

M'KINLEY'S BILL.

Effect of the Proposed Increase of the Duty on Third-Class Wool.

PHILADELPHIA, April 8.—The ingrain carpet manufacturers of this city, where more carpet is made than in all of England, have discovered that the new tariff bill increases the tariff on third-class wool 250 per cent. They have protested against this, asserting that the increase on duty would force them to close their mills.

THE SEISTARE FAILURE.

Hilger's Defalcation Much Larger Than at First Supposed.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The counsel for Seistare Brothers says the failure will prove most disastrous to the firm. Investigation reveals that the defalcation of Hilger, the Philadelphia correspondent, will reach $300,000, and possibly $600,000. A warrant for his arrest was about to be served when he died.

IN HIS SISTER'S DEFENSE.

An Arkansas Youth Shoots and Instantly Kills His Father.

LITTLE ROCK, April 8.—Near Morrillton, a small town about forty miles from here, last night, J. D. Williams shot and instantly killed his father, Isaac Williams. The latter attempted to whip his grown daughter with a switch, which so incensed young Williams that he drew a revolver and fired at his father. The ball entered his head and death was almost instantaneous.

THE NEWLAND OBSEQUIES.

Funeral of the Victims of the Englewood Poisoning Case.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The burial of Mr. and Mrs. Newland, the victims of the mysterious poisoning case in Englewood, took place to-day. The girl, Mamie Starr, who is suspected of causing their death, is sick in jail.

Reports Denied.

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—Reports which have gained circulation outside of the city that the Merchants' Exchange has suspended all dealings in May and July wheat in consequence of the Fraley suspension, are unfounded. Fraley has made no statement yet regarding his condition, but hopes to shape matters to his advantage in a day or two.

Iowa Legislature.

DES MOINES, April 8.—The House has passed the Australian ballot reform bill.

The time of the Senate was devoted to the local option license bill, which the Republicans opposed and the Democrats supported. The Governor this morning signed the joint rate bill.

A Feather-Weight Fight Arranged.

NEW YORK, April 8.—O'Rourke, the backer of George Dixon, the colored feather-weight champion, has accepted the offer of the Pelican Club for a fight to a finish with Nunc Wallace, the feather-weight champion of England.

Another Absconder.

WORCESTER, April 8.—Frederick Kimball, teller of the People's Savings Bank, has absconded with $40,000 of the bank's funds.

THE BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

Ives, Schaeffer and Slosson the Winners in Yesterday's Games.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The fourth game of the match billiard tournament commenced at 1:30 o'clock to-day, between Ives (275 points) and Caton (250 points). Caton won the bank and chose the black. Ives won by a score of 275, Caton scoring 225. Ives' average was 13¾; Caton's 11¼. The high runs were: Ives—62, 55; Caton—43, 25.

After ten minutes' recess Schaeffer and Heiser commenced playing, the former playing 500 to the latter's 250. Schaeffer won by the following score, 500; Heiser, 142; average of Schaeffer, 16⅔; Heiser's average—4, 26, 29; high runs, Schaeffer—87, 79, 72; Heiser—45, 16.

This evening Slosson was pitted against Daly, who was given 200 points. Slosson won the lead, choosing the white, and ran eleven points. Daly responded with five. The game was a dull and unfeatured one, and until the fourteenth inning the runs were small. In that inning Slosson made 64, and again fell into listless playing until the nineteenth inning, when he gathered 76 buttons. He ran the game out in the twenty-third inning by another run of 76. Score—Slosson, 500; Daly, 125.

LABOR TROUBLES.

A Settlement With Chicago Plumbers. Carpenters Still Out.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The plumbers' strike was settled here this morning. The basis of the settlement is the minimum of $3 50 for all journeymen plumbers and an increase of 25 per cent in the wages of juniors per day.

The carpenters' strike is more extensive to-day than yesterday. Up to noon there was not a single case of men at work reported to the general headquarters. The Strikers' Arbitration Committee decided that no carpenters would be permitted to return to work to finish up jobs, even in cases where the advanced rate of pay was conceded. No trouble has occurred, the men conducting themselves quietly.

YOUNGSTOWN (Ohio), April 8.—The Journeymen Tailors' Union of this city made a demand for an increase in wages to-day. A satisfactory settlement not being arrived at, they are out on a strike.

HELENA, MONT.

The Curious Transposition of an Item of News.

On the 4th inst. there was published in THE CALL a dispatch from Helena, Mont., conveying the information that Julia Dowd, or Gifford, had been found dead and nude in her house, the body having been hacked and cut in many places. The murder was described as being as atrocious and horrible as any of the reputed deeds of "Jack the Ripper." The dispatch also conveyed the information that Chinamen were suspected, and that a dozen of them had been arrested.

This dispatch was sent East, then cabled to Germany, France and England, and yesterday it was returned to this city, appearing in a morning contemporary under date of Herbesthal, April 7th, and setting forth that the barbarous murder of Helena Montana, a disreputable women of Herbesthal, near Aix-la-Chapelle, has created great excitement.

An evening paper publishes the same dispatch, but in that paper it bears a London date. These dispatches, after setting forth that the woman had been butchered a la "Jack the Ripper," declare that the woman had been drinking with a Chinaman and that thirty Chinamen have been arrested for complicity in the crime. Had our contemporaries kept up with the news of the world as published in THE CALL, they would not have made the blunder they did. The alleged murder of Helena Montana is a badly mixed up account of the murder in Helena, Mont.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Dr. C. E. Babb of San Jose is in town.

Dr. Thomas Flint of San Juan is in town.

W. L. Howard, U. S. N., is at the Baldwin.

G. G. Kimball of Red Bluff is a guest at the Palace.

John H. Montolo of New York is on a visit to this city.

Dr. W. Allen of Boulder Creek is stopping at the Lick.

J. H. Borland of Martinez is at the Baldwin with his wife.

Dr. D. Van Denberg of Los Gatos is staying at the Grand.

J. J. Groom, the fruit-canner, of Los Gatos, is in the city.

Edwin K. Alsip, the Sacramento real estate man, is in town.

V. Courtois, the St. Helena wineman, is registered at the Grand.

Judge C. F. Hart and daughter, of Claremont, are at the Occidental.

J. Weilheimer, a prominent merchant of Mountain View, is in the city.

J. R. McDonald, a merchant of Grayson, Cal., is registered at the Occidental.

C. P. Hall, manager of the Sacramento Theater, came to the city yesterday.

A. L. Reed, a merchant of Kings City, is among the late arrivals at the Grand.

W. K. Aldersly, a mining man of Calico, is registered at the Grand.

Rev. Frank Thompson, Chaplain of the United States Navy, Mare Island, is visiting in town.

Professors S. H. Burnham and E. E Barnard came to the city on Monday from the Mount Hamilton Observatory.

C. A. Busiel, wife and daughter, from Laconia, N. H., have returned from the Del Monte Hotel and are in this city on the homeward journey.

William Price in Trouble.

William Price was locked up at the Seventeenth-street Police Station last evening on charges of assault with a deadly weapon, battery and vulgar language. He had a row with his wife at their home on Howard street yesterday afternoon and tried to puncture her throat with a steel used for sharpening knives. While the arresting officer was taking him to the station he tried to escape and assaulted the guardian of the peace. Hence the two latter charges.

Republican Club.

Republican Club No. 1 of the Forty-seventh Assembly District met last night in Graham's Hall, Twenty-seventh and Alabama streets. Twenty-five new members signed the roll. Several prominent Republicans addressed the meeting on the coming campaign. The following members were appointed an Enrolling Committee: John Fragley, John Sullivan, J. T. Graham, Robert Howe, John McCann and A. Urbois.

The Peabody Trust.

The annual report of the Peabody Trust for the maintenance of good homes for the working classes in London shows the birth rate in the houses kept by the trust to be 8.72 per 1000 above the rest of London, and the death rate nearly 1 per 1000 below the average, while the infant mortality is only a little over half the average. The trust has spent over $6,250,000 in providing buildings for 20,874 persons. The average earnings of each family are about $5 75 per week and the average weekly rent about $1 20. The rate per room is 52½ cents per week.—Ex.

Latest Feature for Dessert.

At Paris dinner tables the latest feature for dessert is the practice of putting on the table small receptacles called marmites, or "pots," in which are inclosed nuts, bonbons and any other trifles that the hostess pleases. Each guest takes a pot, and before opening it trades it for that of some one else. The fun comes in when the results of the trades are known and some are found to have swapped a pot filled with candy for one containing something of value.—Ex.

A STATE DINNER.

Distinguished Gathering at the White House.

Members of the Supreme Court and Congress Entertained.

Secretary Windom Furnishes Statistics of the Arrivals and Departures of Chinese at San Francisco.

Special by the California Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—To-night President and Mrs. Harrison dined the members of the Supreme Court and Judiciary and a number of Senators and Representatives. The floral decorations and palms and flowers in the east room and dining-room were especially elaborate. In the center of the table stood a superb arrangement of flowers representing the scales of justice, suspended from swords made of carnations and ivy leaves. Ovals of ferns and roses and vases of flowers were scattered about the long board, which was shaped like the letter T in order to accommodate the fifty guests. The President escorted Mrs. Fuller and the Chief Justice took Mrs. Harrison in to dinner. Besides the Supreme Court and Judiciary were present Senator and Mrs. Hoar, Senator and Mrs. Pugh, Senator and Mrs. Blackburn, Senator and Mrs. Ingalls, Senator and Mrs. Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft Davis, Representative and Mrs. R. P. Flower and Mr. and Mrs. Estee.

HOUSE COMMITTEES.

Stoneman to Be Retired With Rank of Colonel. Life-Saving Service.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The House Committee on Commerce has resolved to report adversely upon Representative Buchanan's resolution providing for an investigation of the Life-saving Service.

The House Committee on Military Affairs to-day ordered a favorable report upon the bill to retire General Stoneman of California with the rank of Colonel of Infantry.

The House Committee on Judiciary today completed its consideration of the Torrey bankruptcy bill, which was introduced by Representative E. B. Taylor of Ohio, and ordered it to be reported favorably. A number of amendments have been made, but these are simply corrections and changes of phraseology and do not affect the principles of the bill. Mr. Culberson of Texas will submit a minority report and urge the substitution of his own bill, which is a short measure, providing for the discharge, within six months after bankruptcy, of any bankrupt who has in good faith assigned to a trustee all of his property not exempt under the local law.

ARMY REFORM.

Secretary Proctor to Keep a Record of Each Officer's Attainments.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Secretary Proctor has taken a novel step in the way of army reform that will probably cause a great deal of comment among officers and no little criticism and grumbling. It is based on the custom of the German army chiefs of keeping a constant record of the special attainments and qualifications of each officer and is designed to fill a want that has of late years been seriously felt in our own army whenever it has been found necessary to send an officer on some special service for which peculiar qualifications are required. In all such instances it has been found that there was in the War Department no information regarding the accomplishments of officers and all that came to the ears of the Secretary was in a large measure incidental, accidental or personal. Secretary Proctor has, therefore, devised a plan of obtaining constant and official information in regard to officers of the army such as shall aid him in the preparation of records that will show him just what manner of men they are.

NOT GUILTY.

The Findings in the Case of Commander Coghlan Approved.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Secretary of the Navy has approved the findings of not guilty in the case of Commander Joseph B. Coghlan, recently tried by a court-martial at San Francisco on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, and of conduct such as to prejudice good order and discipline. The charge was that he wrote an article for the Vallejo Chronicle, which criticized the action of his superior officer. This in the naval regulations constitutes a breach of discipline, and for this he was tried, but the editor of the paper, the only person by whom the charge could be proven, refused to appear before the court. As there is no law to compel the attendance of witnesses before a naval court-martial, and as Commander Coghlan entered a plea of not guilty to the charge, the court entered a verdict in accordance with the evidence brought before it, and found a verdict of not guilty.

NAVAL AFFAIRS.

Pay Director Washington Promoted—Captain McNair's Return.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The vacancy left by Pay Director Looker when he became Chief of the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing of the Navy Department in the position of General Inspector of the Naval Pay Corps has been filled by ordering Pay Director Richard Washington to that post.

Captain F. T. McNair has reported his return home from the command of the United States steamer Omaha, having been detached February 13th, and has been placed on waiting orders.

Lieutenant T. B. Mason, Naval Secretary to the Secretary of the Treasury, has obtained four months' sick-leave and will sail during the latter part of the month for Europe. It is his intention to remain at Carlsbad for his health.

Pensions Favorably Reported.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Senate Committee on Pensions to-day ordered favorable reports to be made upon the bill to pension the widow of the late Rear-Admiral Hugh T. Purviance at $50 a month and the bill to pension the widow of the late Rear-Admiral John Lee Davis at $100 a month.

Bids for Cruisers.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Secretary Tracy late this afternoon issued advertisements, calling for bids for the construction of an 8100-ton cruiser, a 5300-ton cruiser and a 900-ton practice vessel. The bids will be opened June 8th.

CONGRESS.

THE SENATE.

Arrivals and Departures of Chinese—The Montana Election Contest.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Senate convened at 12 o'clock.

In reply to the Senate resolution respecting the number of Chinese who have entered the United States and remained during the past few years, the Secretary of the Treasury furnished the following for the fiscal years named:

Year.	Arrivals.	Departures.
1883	9269	10,994
1884	7985	12,273
1885	11,330	15,185
1886	11,110	16,915
1887	13,718	11,339
1888	14,713	11,786
1889	10,935	10,169

For the first six months of the present fiscal year there were 1832 arrivals and 5652 departures. The totals for the entire time shown are: Arrivals, 79,881; departures, 94,213.

The Secretary says that numerous complaints of Chinese surreptitiously entering the United States have been made, but the evidence has been uncertain and intangible and no convictions have been secured.

After the introduction of a number of bills and joint resolutions the Senate at 1 o'clock took up the Montana election case as unfinished business, Spooner having the floor to finish his address.

The Senate will probably take a vote on the bill to-morrow afternoon. It is said that the Democratic Senators have determined to filibuster against the seating of the Republican Senators.

Senator Platt reported favorably the Senate bill as an amendment to the House bill ratifying the Funding acts of the last Legislature of Arizona, and the bill was passed allowing exhibits of Mexico and Canada for exhibition at St. Louis to come in duty free.

THE HOUSE.

Passage of the Bill to Reimburse Victims of Silcott's Dishonesty.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The House today passed with great glee the bill reimbursing the members for moneys lost by the Silcott defalcation, with an amendment offered by Payne of New York reimbursing the members for private funds lost by Silcott's deposits in the National Metropolitan Bank.

The House also passed the following bills: Providing for the disposal of all public lands undisposed of in the abandoned military reservations of Forts Fetterman, Laramie, Sanders and Steele, and part of the Fort Bridger Military Reservation.

The bill authorizing the purchase of certain lands by the city of Buffalo, Wyo., in the Fort McKenney Military Reservation.

McAdoo's bill forbidding the enlistment of aliens in the navy.

A bill providing that persons settling on the second indemnity plat of the Northern Pacific grant between August, 1877, and January, 1889, may transfer their entries to other government land subject to entry.

A bill authorizing the entry of public lands by incorporated cities and towns for cemetery and park purposes.

A bill granting the right of way through the Colville Indian Reservation to the Spokane Falls and Northern Railroad.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Naval Appropriation Bill, and Boutelle took the floor for an extended speech.

Chipman of Michigan introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Invalid Pensions to prepare a report forthwith.

The Per Diem Service Pension bill will be the special order for Monday next.

SLIDE AND CAMERA.

Second Night's Exhibition of Photographs.

Fine Display by the Society of Pacific Coast Amateurs—The Ladies to the Fore. A Decided Success.

PHOTOGRAPHY, the work of amateurs, attracted a great number of people to the rooms of the Art Association, which were again crowded to the doors last night with a delighted and enthusiastic audience, come to witness the last of the Lenten exhibitions of the Pacific Coast Amateur Photographic Society.

E. S. Woods, the President, again made a short speech, enumerating the pleasures and benefits of amateur photography and the great aid to science that it was daily developing into. The increasing popularity of the camera as a means of recreation was illustrated by the fact that although the society, organized in 1883, was larger to-day than ever, still another had to be called into existence which at that very moment was in session elsewhere.

He further congratulated the society on at last opening its doors to amateurs of both sexes, the studies by ladies on its walls being now to be seen and appreciated, and the first public exhibition of the handiwork of the fair sex being made these two evenings past at the lantern exhibition. The exhibition will remain open during the day for the remaind er of the week, while on Friday night the rooms will be open to visitors from 8 to 11 o'clock in the evening, with, however, no further lantern entertainment for the present, whatever may come of arrangements pending in the near future.

Viewing the Pictures

At the lantern exhibition every known system of photography was represented. Platinum, carbon, alpha, bromide, plain salted paper, plain salted prints on India paper, blue prints and aristotypes—the latter chiefly useful for microscopic studies—all were there. To particularize would be invidious. Still, Professor Burnham's slides taken in and around Mount Hamilton, in the neighborhood of the Lick Observatory, one especially where the observatory itself dimly shows at a distance as an indistinct speck in the clouds, and at Cayenne, the latter illustrating the phases of the total eclipse as viewed by the Fred Crocker party, of which the Professor was one, were warmly received.

In the same connection special mention is due the photograph corona by W. L. Oliver, for till the Cloverdale results no photographing of this phase of an eclipse had ever been very largely or successfully indulged in.

Then the "Good Morning" of the two polite roosters and the "Lay on, Mcduff," of the same birds in another temper, both by Miss Josephine Hyde of Oakland, were enthusiastically received. Besides, her's were the first lady's pictures ever exhibited in California. Miss Hitchcock's gruesome "Skull and Cross-bones," an old Indian study, was good, too.

In some of the harbor scenes, notably those by George W. Reed, the effect of light and shadow on the water was caught to a nicety. A "Sunset Scene" of Brooks' seemed a special favorite, the "Italian Fishing-boat" being equally well received. The series of Mexican bull-fight views by Robinson was very lifelike. The "Twins"—as the lecturer described it—by the same artist, a little girl and her pet dog, was a pretty conceit. George Tasheira was well represented by some capital harbor and pastoral scenes. The Egyptian Boy by Mark Requa stood out in bold relief, shapely and natural and admirably taken. McConnell's "Washee, Washee," as the lecturer introduced a Chinese washing group, called for a hearty laugh of approbation. Another Chinese study, "John," cradling for gold in the deserted tracks of old '49ers, by Partridge, was happily rendered.

The glimpses of forked lightning that presented themselves on the lens of Sanford Robinson, when attempting to photograph some distant boats in the harbor on a stormy day at San Jose de Guatemala, were vivid to a degree and scientifically interesting. The "Little Student," by Reed—a young girl with her book on her lap in a cosy rocking chair, was a pretty study, and brought down the house, as indeed, all in which innocent childhood appeared in the photographs. Some of the snow scenes taken during the late winter will prove interesting historical records and are exceptionally good. An ox-team hauling lumber in the woods, by Miss Hyde, showed her diversity of skill.

Altogether the society is certainly to be congratulated upon the success of its exhibition.

The Pension Roll.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The following pensions have been granted to Californians: Issue of March 26th—Original, Patrick Kelleher, San Francisco. Increase—James T. McCardle, Los Angeles; Thomas W. Stateler, San Francisco; Virgil A. Gregg, San Luis Obispo. Reissue—Michael Costello, San Francisco; Alexander G. Watson, San Diego. Issue of March 27th—Original, Hiram A. White, Sacramento. Increase, Michael A. Williams, San Francisco. Original widow, Catherine, widow of John Lindt, San Francisco.

There are 2600 men and 600 women employed as street-sweepers in Paris, besides 3500 more workmen engaged in draining, paving, planting and similar service.

FOR THE CHILDREN.

The Helping Hand Society's Grand Entertainment.

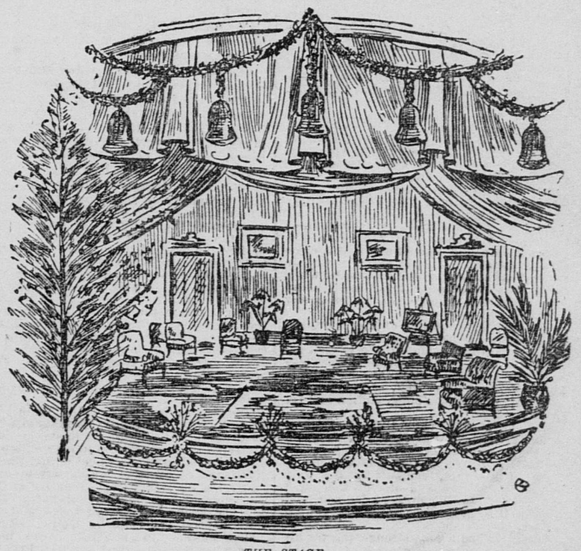
A Joyous Festival in Progress at Odd Fellows' Hall in Aid of the Little Waifs of the City—A Worthy Charity.

MUSIC and dancing, the presentation of the twelve months of the year, a splendidly arranged programme and a determination to provide a pleasant evening's entertainment as an aid to a charitable purpose, was what was offered last night.

The Helping Hand Society is auxiliary to the Golden Gate Kindergarten Association, the officers being Mrs. D. W. Folger, President; Mrs. J. T. McDonald, Vice-President; Miss Bertha Stringer, Recording Secretary; Mrs. G. E. Bates, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. D. W. Folger, Treasurer.

Incorporated with the society, under the name of "Mother Nature's Daughters," are a large number of ladies, who last night gave the opening entertainment of a festival at Odd Fellows' Hall, which will last during the week, the proceeds going to swell the fund in aid of the society for the benefit of the kindergartens of the city.

The entertainment is a varied one and the programme very attractive. Last night the seats on the main floor were pretty well filled, as well as a number being in the gallery, but later on, when the dance commenced, there were many more in attendance.



THE STAGE.

The designing and arranging of the booths, representing the twelve seasons, is the handiwork of Miss Mary D. Bates, who, with the aid of her lady assistants, did all of the work and carried out the designs without remuneration.

JANUARY.

January is represented by a contrasting winter—an old-fashioned one in the East, with Santa Claus bearing his precious burden of presents on his back, standing alongside of a Christmas tree loaded with the good things of the season, and a winter in California, where golden oranges hang upon the trees, flowers blo