OPENING DAY.

Inaugural of the Los Angeles Race-Meeting.

The Track Record for a Mile Dash Broken by Appleby's Carmen.

Governor Waterman Communicates With Secretary Noble Regarding the Big Tree Grove.

Special Dispatches to THE MORNING CALL.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 4.—Twenty-five hundred people were present at the races to-day. The track was in splendid condition.

The first event was the Los Angeles Derby. The starters were: Matt Storn's colt Larghetta, J. B. Chase's filly Marigold, Billy Appleby's filly Raindrop and Owens Brothers' colt Captain Al. Marigold won by two lengths, Raindrop second, Captain Al third. Time, 2:38¾.

The second race was a mile dash for all ages. The starters were: H. I. Thornton's Abi, Owen Bros.' Daisy D, Billy Appleby's Carmen and N. A. Covarrubias' Dan Murphy. There was a long delay at the post, all the horses being fretful. Carmen won by a length, Abi second, Daisy D third. Time, 1:40½, the fastest mile ever run on the Los Angeles track.

The third race was a trotting for the 2:30 class. Glendene took the first heat, Jim Leach second and Dick Richmond third. Time, 2:27¼. Glendene won the second heat, Jim Leach second, Barboro third. Time, 2:26¾. The third heat and race was won by Glendene, Jim Leach second, Barboro third. Time, 2:27¾.

Fourth race, trotting for the three-minute class, Ricetta won the first heat, Bob Mason second, Lightfoot third, Sultanden distanced. Time, 2:38¾. Ricetta won the second heat, Bob Mason second, Lightfoot distanced. Time, 2:31¾. Bob Mason won the third heat from Ricetta by a length. Time, 2:37. Bob Mason won the two concluding heats in easy style in 2:31 and 2:31¾.

The Marin County Democratic Convention.

SAN RAFAEL, Aug. 4.—The Democratic County Convention convened to-day to select delegates to the State Convention and elect members of the County Committee. Bernard Miller was selected as Chairman and John Connell Secretary. The following were elected delegates: R. P. Hammond Jr., James H. Wilkins, Harry Harrison, A. G. Scown and H. A. Cobb Jr.

The Committee on Platform and Resolutions reported in favor of advising the principle of electing United States Senators by a direct vote of the people, as represented by the candidacy of Stephen M. White. A resolution was also adopted requesting ex-Chief Justice William T. Wallace to again become a candidate for Chief Justice of California. Before adjourning the convention adopted with much enthusiasm a resolution instructing their delegates to work earnestly for the election of ex-United States Surveyor-General R. P. Hammond Jr. as Chairman of the convention at San Jose. Major Hammond was referred to as an honest representative of the young Democracy of California. The death of the late Colonel J. M. Donahue was mentioned in feeling terms by Delegate Wilkins and a resolution of sorrow was adopted. The delegates state that they are unpledged on the gubernatorial contest and that their first fight is for the chairmanship of the State Convention. There is no doubt, however, that both Front and English have advocates. The convention was largely attended, and notwithstanding the rivalry and enthusiasm, perfect harmony prevailed. The new County Committee organized by unanimously re-electing James H. Wilkins as Chairman and George D. Shearer as Secretary.

Preservation of the Big Trees.

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 4.—Governor Waterman this afternoon sent the following dispatch:

John M. Noble, Secretary of the Interior—SIR: The newspapers report that the surveys suspended by Commissioner of the General Land Office Sparks, including lands in the eastern portion of Tulare County, in this State, are about to be declared open to location. These surveys include tracts of land covered with sequoia gigantea—the big tree of California. There is now, I believe, pending in Congress a bill setting aside a portion of these suspended surveys for a national park. In view of these facts I would most respectfully ask that such townships as are mentioned in the bill now before Congress be not declared open for location until Congress decides whether such lands shall be set aside for park purposes or not. The ruthless destruction of these magnificent forests, the largest and grandest in the world, would be an outrage, which I must ask your assistance to prevent.

R. W. WATERMAN,
Governor of California.

Seattle Chamber of Commerce.

SEATTLE, Aug. 4.—The Chamber of Commerce this evening adopted a resolution requesting the Seattle representatives to the National G. A. R. Encampment in Boston to invite the Grand Army to hold its next encampment in Seattle, and to secure the assistance of the other Washington delegates to that end. A memorial to Congress was adopted asking the appropriation of $126,000,000 for the defense of the Pacific Coast, $6,000,000 of it for Puget Sound. the memorial states that there is no defense on the coast from Cape Flattery to the Gulf of California, in which are 2,000,000 people and $2,000,000,000 worth of property, while Great Britain has a navy-yard and dry-dock for the largest ships only twelve miles distant from the coast of the sound.

Rifle Target Practice Competition.

VANCOUVER (Wash.), Aug. 4.—The department rifle competition closed to-day. Corporal George A. Densmore of Company K, Fourth Infantry, with a score of 571, won the department gold medal. The department team to compete with Arizona and California for places on the division team at Monterey consists of Corporal Densmore, Corporal Powell of Company D, Fourteenth Infantry; Sergeant Smallwood, Company I, Fourth Infantry; Sergeant Humphries, Company C, Fourteenth Infantry; First Sergeant Ebers, Company C; Sergeant Harbord, Company A; Private Steger, Company F, Fourth Infantry, with Private Baird, Company A, and Corporal Ritsell, Company K, Fourteenth Infantry, as alternates. The average score of the first ten was 530.

Stabbed During a Quarrel.

SEATTLE (Wash.), Aug. 4.—Thomas Ryan, a laborer, was probably fatally stabbed this afternoon at the Reception Saloon, by Charles Clarke, with whom he had been quarreling. The weapon was a long hunting-knife, about an inch wide, and the wound was inflicted in the right side, between the fifth and sixth ribs, and is supposed to have penetrated the stomach. The injured man is said to have wealthy relatives living in Massachusetts. Clarke gave himself up to an officer. He claims that he acted in self-defense.

The Proposed Southern Pacific Extension.

SAN JOSE, Aug. 4.—J. A. Clayton to-day received a telegram from Elwood Cooper of Santa Barbara, saying that in response to numerous requests it had been decided to hold a meeting of the Executive Committee provided for by the recent railroad convention in San Jose on Saturday, August 9th, instead of at San Francisco on the 16th, as previously announced. The convention is to arrange an agreement with Colonel Crocker for the closing of the gap in the Southern Pacific between Santa Margarita and Elwood.

Miners Killed by a Gas Explosion.

TACOMA, Aug. 4.—A dispatch from Carbonado, in this county, states that a gas explosion occurred this morning in a mine, killing Henry J. Jones, aged 30, and T. B. Morgan, aged 37 years. Thomas Williams was injured. The explosion was caused by a miner exposing his lamp to the gas. No damage was done to the mine.

Assaulted by a Chinaman.

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 4.—J. W. Ingham, who is employed on a ranch a short distance out of town, found fault with a breakfast prepared by a Chinese cook this morning. The Chinaman became enraged, and seizing a hatchet and carving-knife started to annihilate Ingham. John Welch, foreman of the ranch, interfered and narrowly escaped being carved with the knife. The Chinaman missed Ingham with the hatchet and sunk it deep in the table. The Chinaman has been arrested.

Shot for Refusing to Treat.

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 4.—John Schaefer was held up by two men at Front and K streets to-night, who demanded that he treat. He refused, when one knocked him down and the other drew a revolver and shot him, hitting him in the right shoulder and making an ugly but not dangerous wound. One of the men has been captured. His name is Jack Brown, and he is employed as a truckman in town. He says he did not mean to shoot, but the pistol went off accidentally.

Composition on Los Angeles Papers.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 4.—Sunday the publishers of the Evening Express, Times, Herald and Tribune appeared before the Typographical Union and requested a reduction in the price of composition. To-day the publishers were notified that unless they signed an agreement to maintain the present rates for one year, the printers would walk out Tuesday at noon.

Salt Lake Election.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 4.—The struggle for the county ticket between the Liberals and Mormons and Union Workingmen's annex was one of the fiercest ever known here. The returns at 11 o'clock to-night indicate the success of the Liberal ticket by from 200 to 300 majority.

For Markham.

BISHOP, Aug. 4.—Inyo's vote will probably go for Markham on the first ballot for the gubernatorial nomination.

PILGRIMS OF MECCA.

They Are Met at Sacramento by a City Deputation.

Merry-Making the Order of the Trip With Much Kazoo Music—A Warm Reception Accorded.

The Pilgrims of Mecca Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Mystic Shrine, arrived at Sacramento at 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning, and were accompanied by twenty-three Mystic Shriners from Portland.

A raid was made upon the breakfast tables and barber-shops until 9 o'clock, when the Mystic Shriners of the city called on them, bringing a line of carriages in which the guests were borne off to the art gallery, the Capitol and along the principal residence streets.

At 11:30, lunch was enjoyed at the Masonic Temple, at which the Shriners were joined by a deputation from this city, numbering about twenty, and composed of members of Islam Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Mystic Shrine. The deputation went up to Sacramento in a director's car, which was festooned with flowers, and laden with wines and fruits for the pilgrims.

MERRY ON THE WAY DOWN.

The car was attached to the special train, which had brought the party from New York, and a start was made for this city at 12:10 o'clock. The pilgrims made merry on the way down with every form of ancient, free and accepted instruments which they had purchased at various stopping places on the transcontinental tour.

The Kazoo Band of eighteen performers was tireless in its efforts to deafen and distract their audience, and Dr. S. R. Ellison impressed into service Jimmy Mizpe, George Millar and Captain Joseph Eakins, and formed them into a hospital corps for the treatment of fellow-pilgrims who betrayed suicidal symptoms by endeavoring to escape from the windows of the cars whenever the Kazoos sounded their demoniacal chorus.

A strange feature of the malady resulting from Kazoo music was the irresistible desire of the patients to retaliate upon their tormenters by rendering improvisations upon fifes, piccolos, drums and other modern instruments which sound abominably in the hands of novices.

ORDER AND DIGNITY RESTORED.

However, order and dignity were restored when the pilgrims stood upon the dock at this side of the bay and started for the Palace Hotel. They arrived there about 5 o'clock and busied themselves preparing for dinner. After dinner they assembled in the court-yard to be formally received by the Mystic Shriners of San Francisco and listen to a concert by the orchestra which was engaged for the occasion.

Afterward a large number of the visitors attended a meeting of Golden Gate Commandery, No. 16, Knights Templar, at Masonic Temple, to witness the Red Cross degree conferred upon four candidates. This was followed by a banquet, though a few pilgrims made the tour through Chinatown; others remained in the office of the Palace to converse with friends whom they found here, and others went to bed to recover from the weariness of the trip.

THE AMERICAN GOSHAWK.

Something About This Strong and Daring Bird of Prey.

Very different in appearance and habits from the larger species is the goshawk or, as he is ominously styled in Northern New England, the "blue hen-hawk." Of rather slender build, when full grown, a hawk of this sort measures from twenty to twenty-four inches in length. It is a bluish slate color above; below, white, crossed with many zig-zag slate-colored lines. Though more numerous in the mountains of the far West and in British possessions, the goshawk is not uncommon in our northermost States in fall and winter, and occasionally even builds its nest in that region. It loves the woods, and is oftener met in the shades of the dense pine and spruce woods than any other hawk. For strength and bravery this hawk is not surpassed by any other bird of prey.

It feeds upon ducks, pigeons, hares, grouse and poultry. It is the type of the true hunting falcon, flying rapidly a few feet above the ground, and descending with a swift rush upon the luckless prey detected by its sharp eyes. It is daring to rashness, and unlucky is the farmer whose poultry-yard becomes familiar ground to one of these hawks. Almost before the frightened fowls have had time to sound the alarm, it has selected and seized its victim, and is away.

Audubon once saw one of these falcons rush upon a flock of the birds called grackles, as they were crossing the Ohio River. The birds, in their fright, collected into a compact mass. The hawk dashed among them, and, seizing first one and then another, killed five before the flock could escape to the woods, on the further bank.—St. Nicholas for July.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The white rose is just now the favorite flower in France.

It is the waste-basket that knows most about the throws of poetry.

The Russian Government has just ordered four new ironclads put on the stocks.

A limited liability company has been formed in London to build a new crematory.

The last eye-witness of the battle of Trafalgar, a centenarian seaman, has just died in England.

Four pearls found in a river near Galena, Ill., last week, were sold to a Chicago jeweler for $400.

Various American summer hotels have added dark rooms for amateur photographers to their attractions.

About 4500 species of wild bees are known, of wasps 1100, of which 170 and 16 respectively live in Britain.

The trip of the German-American riflemen to Berlin has cost them $250,000. But they had a talk with Bismarck, which they say was worth the entire sum.

The apple crop of Nova Scotia will be below the average this season. Great ravages have been committed by caterpillars, which have stripped whole orchards.

A Charlestown lady became quite sick the other day and vomited a small live fish. She does not know when it passed down her throat, but supposes it did so with a drink of water.

Nearly one thousand heads of families in the province of Quebec alone have made application for the State bounty of 100 acres of land voted to Canadians who are the fathers of twelve children or more.

The longest day of the year has eighteen hours at St. Petersburg, seventeen hours at Hamburg, sixteen and one-fourth hours at London, fifteen hours at New York and three and one-half months at Spitzbergen.

This is the way the great beast of Africa goes to his extinction. An ordinary elephant produces 120 pounds of ivory, worth $360. England consumes 650 tons, for which it is necessary to kill 12,000 elephants a year.

A young Englishwoman has just died from an excess of tennis. She worked so hard to prepare for a tournament, playing often in the hot sun, that she brought on brain fever and died. She raved about the game in her last hours.

SPORTING MATTERS.

Tunstead's Charges Will Be Investigated To-Day.

California Club Directors Meet—A Cricket Match—Cross Country Run—Sawdust in Fishing Streams.

A large gathering of sportsmen is expected at the meeting of the Game and Fish Commissioners, which takes place this afternoon, at 220 Sutter street.

The charges which Thomas Tunstead preferred against one of the Deputy Commissioners will be thoroughly ventilated.

It was currently reported last evening that Mr. Tunstead will have some difficulty to fasten the guilt of his charges to the satisfaction of the Commissioners on the chief of the fish patrol Fred Callundan.

There has been, however, sufficient evidence obtained by Mr. Tunstead to prove that some one connected with the Fish Commission had been receiving moneys from Chinese merchants, who have had boats employed in the illegal capture of bay fishes.

STATUS OF THE EVIDENCE.

If the Chief of the Patrol should escape the charges brought against him by the ex-deputy, the evidence in the case, it is thought, should be enough to satisfy the Commissioners that their chief officer has been negligent in his duty and incompetent to fill the position he occupies. The trial promises to be quite interesting.

The matter of stocking streams and the distribution of the thousands of eggs and young fish which have been shipped this year from the State fish hatcheries will, it is thought, be also referred to by the Commissioners. Many anglers are anxious to know of the public streams which have been stocked at the State's expense.

The Chinese who were arrested a few weeks ago for illegal fishing, and who presented pass cards to the officers at the time of arrest, were convicted yesterday at San Rafael. It is said that they will appeal the case and show cause which, they think, will be sufficient to exonerate them from all blame.

SAWDUST IN STREAMS.

A sportsman, in a letter to the American Field, from Carson, Nev., says: "Complaint is being made that the saw-mills along the Truckee River, in California, are dumping sawdust in the river again. Commissioner Mills' attention has been called to the infraction of the law, and he will do his duty, but not so with the California Fish Commission. Our State Fish Commisioner, G. T. Mills, informs me that he has written four letters to the California board, all addressed to its President, and no reply yet. This is surely a poor way to treat communications from other States' Commissioners relative to the destruction of the fish in our waters. It is a pity the waters of our State nearly all rise in California, otherwise there would be several stubborn millmen hunting bondsmen; but knowing the apathy as well as incapacity of the Board of California Fish Commissioners, they go right along polluting the waters of the State. But they may depend upon Nevada doing all she can to stop the great injury being done her."

Mr. Max Wenzel has accepted the appointment of delegate of the California Kennel Club to the American Kennel Club.

CALIFORNIA CLUB.

The California Club Directors met last night, but nothing of importance was transacted to interest public curiosity. They will meet again next Friday evening to set a date for the club's monthly exhibition, which will take place in the latter part of this month.

A well-known sporting man who is a patron of all kinds of athletic pastimes, said yesterday "that of the two kinds of sport he thought wrestling was much more cruel than prize-fighting. In genuine matches it seldom happens that the participants of the former sport escape serious injury, while the prize-fighter has seldom any bones broken, except when his face comes in contact with a hard floor."

It is quite probable that a boxing-match will be made between Lafferty of the Olympic Club and Jimmy Farley, to decide a question of superiority, which seems to be in doubt. Lafferty prides in having bested Farley at the Olympic Club, but good judges, who witnessed the bout, stated that Lafferty was "not in it," although the judges awarded the match to the Olympian.

Sam Mathews, who was once a partner of the ill-fated Jack Seymour, is now manager of an athletic club in Sydney, Australia, which is known as the "California Club." It is said that Mathews is doing very well.

A CRICKET MATCH.

A cricket match was played at Alameda last Sunday between picked teams from the different clubs. The match was more in the nature of a practice game than of a genuine contest. Next Sunday the Pacifics will play the Invincibles. The Alamedas held their monthly meeting last night.

To-morrow evening Cole and Haverley will have their long talked of contest to decide who is really the middle-weight champion amateur of the Olympic Club. Both athletes have been training assiduously for some time, and their friends look forward to a stubborn contest. The rules which will govern the match are the same as those under which the unfinished wrestling tournament was wrestled. T. F. Scanlan will act as referee.

Next Sunday the Olympic Club athletes will have a cross-country run from San Mateo to an adjoining town. It will be a time handicap race and the distance will probably be eight miles. Among the starters will be Scott, Skillman and Cooley.

A BAR-ROOM LOOTED.

The Drunken Mob Resists the Peace Officers.

Sergeant Price of the Seventeenth-street Police Station had an experience on Sunday night that supplied him with all the excitement he needs for some time.

Louis Espel opened a new saloon that night on the corner of Erie and Howard streets, and a gang of Mission hoodlums concluded to celebrate the event in a manner that did not exactly meet with the approval of Espel. They crowded into the place and drove out the proprietor and his bar-tender with such a show of violence and with such threats that both fled in terror of their lives and went near the saloon no more that night.

Having taken possession of the premises, some of them went behind the bar and served out beer and whisky to their companions, making them pay for some, but giving away much more. Soon the crowd was more or less drunk, and began to make a great noise. A passing stranger heard the row and stepped in. The hoodlums seized him with a yell, forced him to drink beer, and then beat him and kicked him into the street.

The stranger fled to the Seventeenth-street Station and reported the affair. Sergeant Price, Officer Doran and the prisoner-keeper were the only persons in the station. Price and Doran at once set out for the scene of the row, while the prison-keeper went out to drum up reinforcements. When Price and Doran entered the saloon they found it filled with a howling mob, and one of the men behind the bar passing the glasses of beer over the counter.

Price brought his baton down across the man's wrists, splashing the beer over the crowd. With fierce yells the drunken mob turned on the officers and attacked them like wild beasts. The two men stood close together and wielded their batons with all their strength, but the numbers were so great that they could not stand against them.

The crowd closed in around them, striking fiercely, and both men were soon covered with blood. Price was separated from his companion and forced up against a billiard table. In the struggle he lost his baton and he was at their mercy, when his hand struck against a billiard cue. Seizing this, he laid about him, knocking the men down in front and regaining the side of Doran, who was all but overpowered.

At this juncture officers Byrens and Burk rushed in and laid about them with their batons. The hoodlums were soon cowed and broke away. The officers captured three of them, who gave the names Cornelius Lynch, Nyman Burr and J. W. Peterson.

Evidence of Insanity.

An old lawyer of distinction delighted to tell the following story:

"Many years ago I was defending a prisoner for horse-stealing, and, seeing no other means of defending him in the circumstances, I set up the plea of insanity. I argued it at length, read many extracts from works on medical jurisprudence, and had the patient attention of the court. The prosecuting counsel did not attempt to reply to my argument or controvert my authorities; I seemed to have things my own way, and whispered to the prisoner that he needn't be uneasy. Then came the Judge's charge, in which he reminded the jury that there was no dispute between counsel as to the facts of the case, indeed, there could not have been, for several witnesses had sworn positively that they saw my client steal the horse.

"'But,' concluded the Court, 'the plea of insanity had been set up, and I charge you, gentlemen of the jury, that it should receive your very grave and serious deliberation; but I must be allowed to say, gentlemen, that, upon a review of the whole case, I can discover no evidence of insanity on the part of the prisoner, except, perhaps, in the selection of his counsel.'"—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

THE NATIVE SONS.

Making Preparations for the Grand Celebration.

Last night the N. S. G. W. Committee on Badges held a meeting and decided on badges for the Reception and Arrangement committees. The general design for both is the same, but the reception badge will be a Nile green and the other crushed strawberry. The head-piece is a brass bar with the letters "N. S. G. W." and a projecting star with a bear in relief. Commencing at the top the badge reads: "Admission Day Celebration"; then diagonally across the word "Reception" or "Arrangement," and beneath the words "San Francisco, September 9th," and the date "1890" between two flags at the base.

THE GRAND BALL.

The Committee on Grand Ball appointed a couple of committees and disposed of a few minor details necessary for the grand ball on the 9th of September. It was decided to put a free hat-room at the disposal of the guests, and to close the pavilion at 5 o'clock on the night of the ball to prepare the floor for dancing.

It was also decided to have 10,000 invitations printed, and then the following were appointed on the Floor Committee:

California, No. 1, Frank W. Yale and L. J. Lalande; Pacific, No. 10, W. J. Willy and D. L. Fitzgerald; Golden Gate, No. 29, J. J. Harrington and J. C. Eichel; Mission, No. 38, F. W. Burnett and R. D. Duke; San Francisco, No. 49, C. C. Higgins and C. R. Heverin; El Dorado, No. 52, J. A. Kuster and Thos. H. Doance; Rincon, No. 72, W. J. Wynn and T. J. Vivian; Stanford, No. 76, C. S. Steige and A. J. Martin; Yerba Buena, No. 84, D. M. Fletcher and W. A. Fredricks; Bay City, No. 104, S. Peiser and S. J. Ackerman; Niantic, No. 105, W. Clark and J. Keenan; Columbia, No. 121, J. H. Wood and Geo. E. Dixon; Hesperian, No. 137, W. F. Corder and H. A. Anderson; Alcalde, No. 154, F. C. Farmar and Val Kehrlein; South San Francisco, No. 157, J. M. La Roche and Louis Monnemann; Sequoia, No. 160, A. V. Reed and C. E. Tones.

The following were appointed members of the Reception Committee from the various parlors:

California, Arthur Clump and George K. Little; Pacific, Samuel W. Dickson and Harry Klopenstine; Golden Gate, R. J. Killiea and J. J. Burrington; Mission, W. J. Guilfoile and F. J. Murasky; San Francisco, P. J. Hasklus and John Feeney; El Dorado, Charles Maass and J. N. Cummins; Rincon, J. P. Hettich and A. Ruef; Stanford, R. J. Mier and J. R. Hillman; Yerba Buena, C. B. Hobson; Bay City, B. Frank Burke and H. M. Abrams; Niantic, J. B. Pausen and T. Knowles; National, Henry Koch; Columbia, J. R. Howell and L. S. Rosenberg; Hesperian, F. L. Walbel and H. W. Furlong; Alcalde, F. C. Farmer and Val Kehrlein; South San Francisco, J. F. La Roche and L. Nonneman; Sequoia, B. F. Donnelly and W. P. Johnson.

THE NEW PARLOR.

The newly instituted Sequoia Parlor is coming to the fore in a manner which augurs good work on its part. It has appointed the following on the General Committee: E. F. Collins, Frank H. Vasility, A. J. Dehling, J. E. Pomeroy and S. A. White. It also recommended five members for the Finance Committee.

Fremont Parlor reports through Thomas Flint Jr., who called at the headquarters yesterday, that it would turn out fifty strong in the parade, and will bring a thousand people from San Benito on an excursion to be run from Hollister.

G. G. Halliday, President of Vallejo Parlor, writes that his parlor will come to the celebration with about sixty members, the Marine Band of twenty pieces, and will also have in the procession a model of the famous war-vessel Hartford. An exhibit of the products of Solano County will be made by the parlor.

An American flag will be raised on Fremont Peak at an elevation of 3412 feet, where no flag has hitherto been put to the breeze. The Territorial Pioneers, veterans of the Mexican War, and four of the Donner party will attend on that occasion.

Frank P. Reed, of General Winn Parlor of Antioch, reports that a delegation of twenty will be sent by his parlor, who will bring a new and elegant banner.

Among yesterday's visitors at headquarters was A. Montgomery, President of the California Pioneers. He called to aid the Natives in their work.

FROM THE SEA BEACH.

Santa Cruz Parlor will attend in a body and will number seventy-five. Hastings' band will be in attendance. Thirty-five hundred persons are expected to come from Santa Cruz alone, besides many from the interior of the county. Two excursions will be run, one on the narrow and the other on the broad gauge.

Dr. R. W. Musgrave of Tulare County writes from his home among the mountains that fifty or sixty resident Natives will attend the celebration and bring a couple of rescuers and rescued along, besides a number of the old Bear Flag party.

L. W. Juilliard of Santa Rosa, Past Grand Marshal, writes to the headquarters that all the parlors of Sonoma, eight in number, will combine for the celebration. The parlors of Contra Costa County will also unite their efforts.

Secretary R. P. Doolan was engaged yesterday in showing his friends an elegant gilded bear which reposed on top of his desk. It was a gift, but by whom Secretary Doolan will not say.

Henry Hogan was a conspicuous figure at the rooms yesterday, his jovial manner adding to the boys' enthusiasm and effective work.

Mount Diablo Parlor will appear in the parade with an elegant seven-foot bear flag and a coyote.

FOR HOSPITALITY.

The Visiting Pioneers Will Be Warmly Welcomed.

The Pioneers met last night, Alexander Montgomery presiding, and the first hitch in the proceedings was caused by the Chairman insisting that the minutes of the recent meeting of the Directors, as read, be approved or rejected.

S. H. Daniels explained that the minutes of the meetings of Directors were submitted to the Pioneers merely as information and not for formal approval or rejection. The minutes were adopted, however.

Mr. Daniels wished routine business to be dispensed with and the Conference Committee report received and discussed, but the Chairman refused to acquiesce.

A motion to adjourn was suddenly sprung by Louis R. Lull, but it was lost.

William H. Chamberlain, Edward Oscar Crosby, William Augustus McWilliams and Amaria B. Paul were elected members of the society.

The report of the committee appointed to confer with the Native Sons of the Golden West on the celebration of Admission day was read and adopted. It stated that the Native Sons have agreed to furnish outside decoration of the entire Pioneer Building and band and carriages for the parade free of expense; that the literary exercises will be under the auspices of the Pioneers and Native Sons jointly, and that a careful estimate of the cost of entertainment at the ball on Monday and Tuesday and the parade places it at $2000, and that the Directors be requested to appropriate that amount for that purpose.

George F. Marye Jr., urged that the appropriation would have to come out of the Lick Fund, as there is no other money available. He moved that the appropriation be deferred until next meeting.

Ex-President Kruse insisted that there is plenty of money in the treasury, and it is absolutely necessary that the pioneers from all over the State, who will take part in the Admission day celebration, should be properly entertained at Pioneer Hall, as they all will be sure to visit the headquarters of their old friends. Further discussion was ended by a majority approving the expenditure of $2000 in hospitality during Admission day festival, and it now rests with the Directors to appropriate the money.

W. F. Swasey, W. B. Farrell, Colonel J. D. Stevenson and William Boggs were appointed a committee to prepare an obituary of the late General John C. Fremont.

The obituaries of the late Fred C. Bauer and the late Fred Ballhouse were submitted by the committees appointed to prepare them and were accepted. The meeting then adjourned.

The Woman's Suffrage Association.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Laura de Force Gordon, who was to have been the principal speaker at the meeting of the Woman's State Educational Suffrage Association of California, announced for next Friday, the meeting has been postponed to a day to be set hereafter.

OBITUARY.

RICHARD CHENERY.

Richard Chenery, sixteenth President of the Pioneers' Society of California, died at his old home in Belfast, Me., on the 27th ult., aged 73 years. He was a native of Montague, Franklin County, Mass., and came to California with Dennis Mahoney on the brig Acadian, which arrived here on August 14, 1849. He leaves a son, who is an officer in the United States Navy.

ACROSS THE BAY.

Bounds of Lake Merritt as a Water Park Are Defined.

The Late P. D. Wigginton's Will Filed for Probate—Statement of the Contra Costa Water Company—Alameda.

At the meeting of the City Council last evening an ordinance was introduced determining the bounds of Lake Merritt as a water park, and an ordinance fixing the line of the proposed boulevard around Lake Merritt the width of 150 feet was introduced and passed to print. The ordinance for the electric-road franchise to West Oakland by the promoters of the Oakland and Berkeley Rapid Transit Company was read the second time and passed to print. A number of ordinances for street work were passed to print.

The will of the late P. D. Wigginton was filed for probate yesterday. It was holographic and was written by the testator in November, 1884. The property is declared to be community property, and the one-half of which he was entitled to disposition he bequeathed to his wife, Sarah E. Wigginton, for the benefit of their three children, to be disposed of as she in her wisdom might think best. She is to administer without bond or interference of any court. The property consists of his library in San Francisco, the house and lot on Linden street, Oakland, and real and personal properties in Fresno and Tulare counties.

The estate of Helen B. Bluin, an incompetent person, has been appraised in the Superior Court of Alameda County, at $131,035. It consists principally of real estate in San Francisco and San Mateo counties.

The Contra Costa Water Company filed with the Alameda County Board of Supervisors the statements required by law and which the board, at the request of a number of citizens and ratepayers, notified the water company to file. The statements are made up from the books of the company and the cost of the plant is made up from the report of the engineer employed during the controversy in 1885, L. J. Le Conte, and the amount since expended in construction as per the books of the company. The reports of Engineers W. F. Boardman and C. E. Schuyler also accompanied the statements. These were made early in 1886. The company claims the cost of the works on December, 31, 1889, with interest for twenty-three years, or since 1866, computed semi-annually, deducting dividends paid with interest and running expenses, $5,940,000.

The cash actually in the works without interest is put at $4,981,000. The amounts collected by assessments from 1886 to 1889 was $1,508,000; received from the sale of bonds, $1,200,000; borrowed on notes, $130,000; received from water rents the twenty-three years, $3,465,000; from other sources, $18,000. Total, $6,324,000. The dividends paid in the twenty-three years amount to $1,338,000. In 1889 the gross revenue was $337,024 75, the operating expenses were $164,489 19, leaving a net revenue for the year of $229,571 70. This is the figure to be 5 9-10 per cent at Le Conte's valuation, or 4 6-10 per cent of cost by estimate of cash in the works without interest, or again 4 9-10 per cent of the latter with interest.

A COMMISSION WANTED.

The company appended to its statement a request that the board appoint a commission of not less than three practical and experienced hydraulic engineers to appraise the cost of the water works property. It goes on to say that previous efforts in this direction have not been sufficiently comprehensive by reason of the limited time at the disposal of examining engineers, and, as the judgment of one engineer is not infallible, the company believes that were a commission of three to make a report the matter of fixing water rates each year would be simplified. The board would then have established a well-authenticated basis upon which to make its computations for water rates.

The annual report of James Stanley, Public Administrator of Alameda County, was filed yesterday afternoon. It shows the value of property which came into his hands during the year at $40,570 55.

On Thursday evening Rev. Dr. Edward McGlynn will deliver a lecture at Dietz Opera House on "The Public Schools and Their Enemies." This is in addition to the lecture delivered before the Single Tax Club.

The fees received at the Oakland City Wharf during July amounted to $456.

A NEW FERRY LINE.

It is said an offer was made yesterday for sixteen acres near Lorin, the sum being $50,000. Captain J. W. Smith of the California and Nevada Narrow-gauge, and others, have had under consideration for some time the establishing of a new ferry line to San Francisco, running north of Yerba Buena Island, and articles have been prepared for incorporating it, but the incorporation has not been completed. The trip of General Williamson, of the Santa Fe road on Sunday, on the California and Nevada, gives color to the rumors afloat, though Williamson was non-committal on the proposition. Captain Smith is affable, as usual, but he wont say much about the road.

A meeting will be held this evening in the Good Will Congregational Chapel in opposition to the California Protective Association's uniform license law, and an anti-saloon alliance may be organized.

The estate of Gerard F. Wiseman, deceased, has been appraised at $20,791 71, consisting principally of real estate in Washington Township, Alameda County.

The cash fares on the Piedmont cable from the power-house to Piedmont on Sunday represented 3000 passengers.

A NEW CANDIDATE.

Among those mentioned for Clerk of the Supreme Court, subject to the decision of the Republican State Convention, is Charles B. Overacker of Niles. Mr. Overacker came to California with his parents when an infant, and has spent nearly all his life in the State. He attended the State University. He is at present Clerk of Department 2 of the Superior Court of Alameda County.

Rev. J. B. Silcox has decided to accept the call to Sacramento, and has declined to withdraw his resignation and remain at the Pilgrim Congregational Church, East Oakland.

Burglars entered the house of A. H. Schlueter a few evenings ago and stole several articles of jewelry valued at about $200. The family were absent on a visit to Santa Cruz at the time.

Carrie Church, from whom John Henry Jr. procured a divorce about ten days ago, has married a young man named Happ. Young Henry, when told, said he was glad of it.

Rev. J. A. Emery has resigned as rector of St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church at West Oakland to accept the position of diocesan missionary.

J. C. Hamilton, Deputy City Treasurer, has resigned to accept a position in San Francisco.

ALAMEDA.

The City Trustees Meet and Discuss Important Matters.

Deputy Constable Harry Cramer has tendered his resignation to Constable Fassking, and it is said he will receive a star under Constable Morris. He will endeavor to secure the Republican nomination for Constable the coming election.

Mrs. Usher yesterday swore out a warrant for the arrest of Mrs. Miller on a charge of petty larceny. She accuses her of stealing her pet dog. Mrs. Usher lived at the house of Mrs. Miller for four months, and recently moved away. Mrs. Miller alleges that Mrs. Usher damaged her house to the extent of $25 during her stay, and would not yield the dog until this amount was paid.

E. E. Shepard, a Justice of the Peace at Selma, Fresno County, has been camping in this city with his family for several days past and left yesterday for Mount Hamilton. The party, when they started on their camping trip several weeks ago, went to Santa Cruz and from there went to San Francisco, following the ocean beach. They had a pleasant trip, but were frequently taken for gypsies.

The Board of Education will hold a meeting this evening, when the successful bidder for the erection of the new school-house at the corner of Bay street and Santa Clara avenue will be announced.

At the meeting of the City Trustees last evening a communication was received from the Oakland Gas, Light and Heat Company offering to operate the municipal electric light plant for $400 per month. The proposition was referred to the Committee on Electric Lights. A report from the engineer of the plant showed the running expenses for July amounted to $685. An application from P. S. Perkins to lay a blue trap rock foundation for a bituminous sidewalk at the corner of San Jose avenue and Walnut street was denied. The Committee on Fire and Police was authorized to have plans prepared for the erection of four towers which will constitute a part of the fire alarm system. The City Attorney announced that next Monday evening a report would be presented by the commissioners appointed to assess the benefits and damages for the opening of Taylor avenue. Five liquor licenses were granted, making twenty-nine thus far allowed by the board.

Retired to Private Life.

George W. Dutton, Store-keeper of the Appraisers' Building, has resigned his position and gone into the employ of the wholesale house of A. P. Hotaling & Co. Collector of the Port Phelps mourns his loss as that of one of his very best men.

LABOR NOTES.

Molders Suspect a Conspiracy Against Them.

Perfect quiet prevailed in the region of the iron works last night. Although vigilant watch was kept all night by the police, there was not a ripple of excitement anywhere, and nothing to leave the impression that there ever had been trouble, aside from the presence of an unusual number of policemen.

President Valentine of the Molders' Union stated last night that within the last two or three days he had noticed an unusual number of strangers prowling around the vicinity of the iron works and he thinks it is a part of a conspiracy to incite trouble. What strengthens his belief are the circumstances in connection with the arrest of Fitzgerald, for he says he is positive that Fitzgerald was heard to remark that he "had a mind to take a shot at those fellows," and he cannot explain why he should have gone there at all if not for some such purpose.

At the special meeting of the union last night nothing of special interest took place except to perfect arrangements for young Siebert's funeral. The service will take place at 2 o'clock to-day instead of 10, as first announced, from Mrs. Siebert's home at 10 Sheridan street, off Ninth, between Folsom and Howard. The members of the union will assemble at Knights of the Red Branch Hall, corner of Mason and O'Farrell streets, and march in a body to the above residence.

BOX-MAKERS.

Purchasers of Non-Union Made Goods Will be Fined.

The membership of the Box Sawyers' and Nailers' Union was increased by ten initiations last night.

The union was visited by the committee from the Federated Trades in relation to the Australian ballot law, and decided to donate $5 to aid in its promulgation.

The Agitation Committee of the Leather Federation also visited the union in behalf of white labor made leather goods, and the members showed their approval of the cause by resolving to impose a fine of $5 upon any one of their union purchasing anything but the white labor goods.

The union reported that another shop had been partially unionized that has always stood out heretofore, and there is hope that the conversion will be complete within another week.

Tanners and Curriers.

The Tanners', Curriers' and Finishers' Union enrolled eleven members last night, making a total of twenty-eight for two weeks. It was decided by a unanimous vote to parade on Labor day and a committee of five were appointed to prepare a float for the occasion. The committee appointed to visit Benicia reported the branch at that place to be in a flourishing condition.

Expelled From the Union.

The Executive Committee of the brewery workmen heard two appeals last night, and disposed of one of them—that of Emil Seeger—by expelling him from the union on several charges. George Sheerer, who was fined $5 by the Trial Committee, had his fine remitted. Troubles connected with the Oakland maltsters were also consid