EVENTS IN THE SOCIAL WORLD.

The Latest Personal Movements in Prominent Society Circles.

THE C. L. A. S. ENTERTAINMENT.

Party on Turk Street—The Y. L. I. Bonbon Party—A Surprise Near Midway, Alameda County—The Y. W. C. T. U. Social—At the Races in Oakland—A Puritan Party—Brief Notes of Interest.

A reception will be given at the Little Sisters' Infant Shelter, 512 Minna street, near Sixth, this afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock.

No. 1, Y. W. C. T. U. (Miss Virginia Patchett, President; Miss Helen Curtis, Secretary), gave a social recently at 132 McAllister street. The large parlors were filled with an enthusiastic company of young ladies and gentlemen. Games, music and readings formed a good background for the flow of pleasant small talk that young people so easily manufacture. Dainty viands were served by charming young ladies, and at rather a late hour for the society good-nights were exchanged.

Negotiations are about consummated for turning the Sharon place at Belmont into a seminary and college for ladies. Dr. Homer S. Sprague, President of the University of Dakota, will probably be at the head of the new institution. The Sharon place is the one known as the old Ralston mansion.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ehrlich, 216 Sixth street, will celebrate their son Albert's bar mitswa (confirmation) in the Turk-street Synagogue on Monday, September 29, 1890, the 1st day of Sucot.

A very delightful reception was given on Saturday afternoon from 2 till 6 o'clock at the pleasant home of the Misses Naglee in San Jose, under the chaperonage of the young ladies' aunt, Mrs. Burke.

The Golden Links give their social this evening at Cambrian Hall.

W. D. Howells' comedietta, "The Garroters," will be presented this evening by the young people of Trinity Church, known as the Rector's Circle, at Union-square Hall.

Major and Mrs. Frank McLaughlin, Miss Agnes McLaughlin and Miss Minnie Fogg are at the Palace Hotel, where they will remain a week before going to Oroville. Their departure is much regretted in Santa Cruz as the following local comment pleasantly expresses: Golden Gate Cottage, so redolent of pleasant memories, will be closed for the season. For nearly four months Mrs. McLaughlin and the young ladies have handsomely entertained their friends, and the cottage has been the scene of pleasant musicales and delightful afternoon teas and dinner parties. The golden yellow colors, which were exclusively Golden Gates, have been worn during the season by the numerous ladies and gentlemen who have partaken of the hospitality of the Major, Mrs. McLaughlin and the young ladies. During the season the gentlemen who wore the colors were known as the "Knights of Golden Gate." Major and Mrs. McLaughlin will visit Santa Cruz in a few months and then go East on a visit. Before next season they expect to have their new cottage completed. The latter will also be known as Golden Gate.

The races at the Oakland Trotting Park Saturday attracted quite a representation of prominent spectators, especially from the patrons of the Fabiola Hospital, as the proceeds of the meeting were devoted to that institution. Among the spectators in carriages along the course were: Mr. and Mrs. Isaac L. Requa, Mr. G. W. McNear and family, Mrs. G. H. Wheaton, Mr. Philip Remillard and Miss Remillard, Judge Greene, Judge Ellsworth, Mr. R. Snell and Miss Julia Snell, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. W. E. Dargie and Miss Annie Dargie, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. C. Gaskill, Mrs. J. A. Folger and Miss Elizabeth Folger.

The C. L. A. S. Entertainment.

On last Friday evening C. L. A. S., No. 20, gave its first entertainment and social at Sacred Heart Church Hall. The affair was a decided success, owing to the efficient management of the different committees. The hall presented a most attractive appearance, having been beautifully decorated by the members. A very fine programme was rendered, as follows: Piano duet, Mme. de Silviera, Miss Nippert; recitation, Mrs. M. Chielovitch; vocal solo, Miss Julia Sullivan; selection, Mandolin Club, under the direction of Professor Mansfield; vocal solo, Mme. de Silviera, with 'cello obligato by Dr. Regensberger; recitation, Miss Gertrude Gallagher; vocal solo, Miss Sadie Howard; recitation, Miss Amy Stowey; vocal solo, Mrs. Mae Madden; selections, Banjo Club, Mr. Thomas W. Bree, Mr. D. Boenberg, Mr. John Farrell, Mr. A. Anderson, Mr. Herman Moenning, Mr. D. Skillon, Mr. A. W. Corbus, Mr. John Douglas; vocal solo, Miss Kittie McCormack.

A Chocolate "Tea."

A number of lady friends were charmingly entertained by Mrs. F. S. Page at a chocolate tea Friday afternoon at her residence, 120 Eleventh street, Oakland. The parlors were prettily decorated, chocolate being the predominating shade. The hours from 2 to 4 were passed with music and sociability and at 4 o'clock the guests repaired to the dining-room, where a dainty tea was served. There were present Mrs. Marshall of Indiana, Mrs. Dodrick of New York, Mrs. George D. Gray, Mrs. E. Cooper, Mrs. W. F. Curtis, Mrs. B. Holmes, Mrs. S. Park, Mrs. E. Brown, Mrs. Stolp, Mrs. H. L. King, Mrs. N. Smith, Mrs. F. S. Page.

The Ladies' Institute Party.

The members of Young Ladies' Institute No. 14 gave an agreeable party last evening at B'nai B'rith Hall. It was distinctively a bon-bon party, and to each of the ladies present was presented a pretty box of choicest candies. There was a good attendance, not because of the bon-bon attractions, but because No. 14 is popular and can entertain its friends successfully.

The grand march did not take place until after 9 o'clock, when it was led by Miss Nellie Claffey, President of the Institute. Hayman's orchestra furnished music for the twelve dances and three extras that kept the guests merrily engaged until some time after midnight.

The officers of No. 14 are: President, Miss Nellie Claffey; First Vice-President, Miss Belle Close; Second Vice-President, Miss Addie Baum; Recording Secretary, Miss Annie McGillicuddy; Financial Secretary, Mame McQuaid; Treasurer, Mrs. Hannah M. Sullivan; Marshal, Miss Julia McArdle; Inside Sentinel, Miss Mary Babcock; Outside Sentinel, Mrs. Katie Meyer.

The special committees of the evening were composed as follows: Committee of Arrangements—Mrs. Virginia Cervelli (Chairman), Miss Katie O'Connor, Mrs. James Cook, Mrs. Julia Riding, Past P., Miss Mame McQuaid; Reception Committee—Miss Nellie Claffey (Chairman), Miss Julia Tracey, Miss Geraldine Mulcahey, Miss Annie McGillicuddy, Miss Mamie Griffin, Mrs. Martha Stafford, Miss Agnes Hayes, Miss Belle Close, Miss Lizzie Nash, Mrs. Katie Meyer, Mrs. Aggie Nichols; floor manager, Miss Katie Long; assistants—Miss Lizzie Kleuch, Miss Cornelia Farrell; Floor Committee—Miss Julia Hogan, Mrs. Hannah M. Sullivan, Miss Katie Kleuch, Miss Mamie Redington, Miss Della Dwyer, Miss Lizzie Kelly, Miss Celia Anson, Miss Kittie O'Grady, Miss Mamie Gleason.

Party on Turk Street.

A surprise party was given in honor of Miss Libbie Kelley at her parents' residence, 1220 Turk street. The evening was pleasantly spent and the guests were entertained by the following programme, which was heartily enjoyed by all: Recitation, "The German and the Ash-barrel," Mr. Harry Glicks; song, "When Shall We Meet Again," Miss Libbie Kelley; recitation, "The First Steps of the Gambler," Mr. T. H. Kilgo; song, "Over the River," Miss Annie Sheehan; recitation, "The Tramp," Mr. F. Yeaton; song, "McCarty's Wedding Day," Mr. James McGrath; piano solo, Miss May Sheehan. After the literary exercises a sumptuous repast was served, and the guests subsequently enjoyed themselves until a late hour in dancing.

Party at Highland Park.

Over 200 persons attended the lawn party given Saturday afternoon at the residence of Mr. N. W. Spaulding at Highland Park. Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding made their guests feel quite at home, and without exception they made merry and enjoyed themselves during the whole time of their stay. Tents were spread on the lawn and refreshments served, and a string band furnished music, to which the children and some of the other young people danced. There was a short musical and elocutionary programme, the numbers of which were as follows: Chorus of mixed voices; piano solo, Miss Lulu Ayers; chorus by children; recitation, "A Cold in His Head," Miss Phebe Smith; "A Parable," Miss Bertha McKnight; chorus. The party was given in aid of the Organ Fund of the Unitarian Church, and nearly $100 was raised. Mrs. Spaulding, who has taken this fund in charge, has already received promises of gifts amounting to $1000.

Party Near Midway.

A most successful and very enjoyable surprise party was tendered to the family of Mr. James Faulkner at their residence, near Midway, on Saturday evening last, the occasion being the retirement of Mr. Faulkner from active business and the near departure of himself and family for San Francisco, where they will hereafter reside.

The party arrived at 9 o'clock, and half an hour later all repaired to the large farm warehouse, where, under the able direction of Mr. Henry Brink, the leader of the party, dancing was soon in progress. The Midway string band of several pieces rendered popular music. At midnight the dancers were served with refreshments, after which the dancing was continued until nearly daybreak, when the party, after wishing the retired farmer and his family many years of happiness and enjoyment in their new home, sought their respective abodes, well pleased with their evening's entertainment.

Among the many present were: Mr. and Mrs. James Faulkner, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Douglas, Mrs. F. Haera, Mrs. W. Gorman, Miss Mamie E. Faulkner, Miss Mary Zimmerman, Miss Katie Gorman, Miss Annie Hansen, Miss Emma Haera, Miss Hannah Zimmerman, Miss Carrie Odell, Miss Lizzie Gorman, Miss Katie Hansen, Messrs. Henry Brink of Alameda, James E. Faulkner, Wm. Mollen, F. Zimmerman, John Greely, E. Armstrong, T. McGuire, C. Zimmerman, W. B. Faulkner, James Greely, Coleman Thornton, Joseph Armstrong, George Cox, Joseph Boland, T. Greely, C. Ellis, John McGlashin, Paul Greely, F. Goetgen, H. Diffin, Walter Gorman, C. Diffin, Emory Odell and John Mulqueeny.

A Puritan Party in Oakland.

On Saturday night Mrs. M. B. Augustine of Peralta Heights gave a "Puritan party" in honor of the twelfth birthday of her son Julius. The guests were dressed in the costumes of the Puritans, and each was presented with a pretty souvenir of the evening. The grounds were hung with lanterns and the house beautifully decorated. During the evening there was a stereopticon entertainment and games. Delicate refreshments were served. Among the present were: Mrs. Kemp, Mrs. Hunter, M. G. C. Edholm, Miss Alice Augustine, Mr. William Hutton, Miss Rowena Stevenson, Miss Grace Hostetter, Miss Edith Williams, Miss Minnie Stevenson, Miss Bessie Russell, Miss Minnie Sutherland, Miss Mabel Mason, Miss Venie Neil, Miss Alice Conklin, Miss Edith Lang, Miss Cornelia Stow, Miss Lottie Thomas, Messrs. Stowe, George Gray, Nesbit Kempt, Fred Conklin, Vere Hunter, F. Senlberger, C. de Wolfe, Charlton Edholm, Miss Birdie Chase, Miss Millie Wheaton.

Pacific Coast Weddings.

At San Jose on the 16th inst., without formal announcement, occurred the marriage of Mr. Edward de Groat to Miss Lulu Henning at the residence of the bride's parents. Congratulatory telegrams and a variety of handsome presents were received from friends in various parts of the State. The groom is a son of Captain William de Groat of Nyack, N. Y., and was for several years a resident of Monterey County, and for nearly a year has been in the employ of the Central Milling Company of San Jose. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Henning, and is a native of Missouri. Mr. and Mrs. de Groat will reside in the Garden City.

The Catholic Church at San Leandro was beautifully decorated on the 13th inst. in honor of the marriage of Mr. E. Brown and Miss Mary Ann Borge. The happy couple will make their home in Oakland.

On Thursday evening last occurred the marriage of Mr. James C. Gale to Miss Lottie Rogers, both of San Jose, at the residence of the groom's father, the Rev. S. G. Gale, who performed the ceremony.

At Napa Sunday evening, after the regular service at the Methodist Church, a wedding took place in which the contracting parties were Mr. Louis Barkman of Oakland and Miss Ellen M. Peddie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peddie of Napa. Rev. John Coyle performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Barkman came down on Monday afternoon to Oakland to remain until to-day, when they take their departure for Portland, Oregon, where they will in the future reside.

Society Personals.

Mrs. Samuel M. Blair and Miss Jennie Blair will leave to-morrow for a few weeks' visit in the south, making Coronado Beach their objective point. Mrs. Blair has not thoroughly recovered from the severe illness which caused her return from Del Monte. She has been under constant medical care, and her daughter's devotion has been largely instrumental in promoting a convalescence which this southern trip, it is hoped, will render permanent.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dean and Miss Helen Dean have gone to their ranch in Marin County.

Mrs. Hall McAllister has returned from Santa Cruz.

Miss Annie Wagner and Mr. Matthew Wagner of Sacramento are visiting here for a day or two.

Mrs. H. E. Bidwell and Miss Effie Bidwell, of Red Bluff, and Mrs. C. A. Parker of San Francisco, are the guests of Mrs. Frank Bidwell and Miss Ella Tubbs of Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. Park (nee Beam) have arrived in Seattle and are at present the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cassel.

Miss Ivers is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry J. Crocker, at the Hotel del Monte.

Hon. and Mrs. W. W. Bowers of San Diego are staying at the Palace Hotel.

Miss Badger of this city, and Rev. John Bakewell of Berkeley are at the Sea Beach Hotel, Santa Cruz.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Irwin of Honolulu and Mrs. Richard Ivers left Monday for the East, to be gone several months.

Mr. Carter P. Pomeroy came over from San Rafael on Monday.

Mr. Joseph G. Eastland joined his family on Saturday at the Hotel Vendome. Mrs. Eastland and her sons have been spending the few weeks since the expiration of the term of the lease of their town residence in San Jose.

Mrs. Senator J. P. Jones and Miss Jones of Nevada were at the Palace Hotel yesterday.

Mrs. B. Schloss is visiting Vancouver Island.

Mr. A. Winckler and daughter, Miss Adele Winckler, of Kings City, Monterey County, are spending some time at the Ætna Springs.

Mr. Henry W. Redington is spending a few days in town from his home in San Rafael.

Miss Maude Kauffmann and Miss Kate Flaherty have returned from Bouldin Island, where they have been visiting their friend, Miss Maleta Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Walsworth have given up housekeeping in Seattle and will soon start on an extended Eastern trip. On their return they will spend the winter in California to be near their daughter, Miss Dora Walsworth, who is attending Mills College at Oakland.

Dr. Homer B. Sprague, Mrs. Sprague and Mr. Goldwin Smith Sprague, of the University of North Dakota, have gone East by the northern route.

Mrs. P. B. Fagan has come on a visit to this city from Santa Cruz.

Mrs. Jeremiah Clark and Miss Lottie Clark are at Fort Bowie visiting Mrs. Charles G. Lyman.

Mrs. F. M. Truworthy will be the guest of Mrs. Captain Rogers and Mrs. Fuller at Santa Cruz in October.

Mr. T. M. Osmont has gone to Tennessee. He will return with Mrs. Osmont via New York about the middle of October.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Wilson have returned from a visit to Miss Lela Carroll at her residence in Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. de Ruyter have returned to the city from Sausalito, and are once more settled in their home, 2432 Devisadero street.

Mrs. L. D. Post and Miss Lucy Post of Stockton are visiting in town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Spense, who have been visiting Phelan Park, left for San Jose on Monday.

Mr. R. E. Oullahan was down from Stockton yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Payne, who have been spending the past summer at Menlo Park, are having their residence refitted for their reception. They expect to be able to occupy it during the latter part of autumn.

Mr. E. W. Hale visited this city yesterday from Sacramento.

Mr. James G. Fair Jr. has gone down to Santa Cruz, and is at the Sea Beach Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Corcoran of Stockton are paying the city a brief visit.

Miss Eliza R. Seldmore, the well-known newspaper correspondent, whose pleasant letters from Washington over the signature of Rubamah have delighted THE CALL'S readers, has returned from Santa Monica and to-day will leave for Washington, D. C., via the northern route.

Mrs. John S. Hager, accompanied by her daughters, the Misses Emelie, Alice and Ethel Hager, leave here for New York about the 25th of October.

Mr. E. Sessions, son of Mr. E. C. Sessions, President of Oakland Bank of Savings, will shortly leave for the East to prepare to enter Harvard College.

Miss Lottie Hannah returned to this city Monday after a visit to friends in Santa Cruz.

Miss Peyton, who has been visiting relatives in Ross Valley, returned on Sunday evening to her home in Santa Cruz.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Hastings have returned from their ranch to their residence at 2024 Jackson street.

Hon. Thomas Fitch, known as the silver-tongued orator, and Mrs. Fitch have left Reno, Nev., to make their home in Seattle.

REAL ESTATE.

Some Facts Concerning Booming Cities in the North.

G. H. Umbsen Discusses Their Present Position and the Outlook Here—The Auction-Room Yesterday—Sales—Notes.

Mr. G. H. Umbsen of G. H. Umbsen & Co. returned recently from a trip to the Northwest, and in reply to various questions he makes the following statement which is based upon facts gathered by him during his absence:

The love of something new and strange is very strong in the human breast, and particularly so in that of the average American citizen. It is to this feeling and to it alone that the rush of settlers to the Northwest cities, Seattle, Tacoma, etc., can be attributed. All that these cities can boast of is a fine harbor; rents are high, and the water supply for household purposes bad, while living expenses are considerably greater than in this city.

Besides the above drawbacks these towns are full of discontented people and much of the riff-raff of society, which naturally finds its way to new towns, can be found there. Notwithstanding this, real estate on the principal streets of Seattle and Tacoma brings $1000 a front foot, without any grading or sewering having been done. Nearly all important improvements have been made with Eastern capital, and the towns are, in fact, mortgaged to Eastern capitalists. There is really no settled value to real estate; the market is feverish and inflated, while prices on the outskirts are imaginary. Lots are laid off in the woods, three or four miles from town, and sold for $200 to $600 per lot, upon the installment plan, and most of these lots will cost as much again to clear them. Pleasure resorts there are none, and the heavy growth of timber prevents driving, so that in the matter of recreation there is a great want felt by the inhabitants. The climate in winter is abominable. There are six months of snow, slush and rain, and mud is ankle deep. During the summer the heat and dust render the towns in question undesirable as places of residence. Taking all things in consideration, I believe the present state of things in the Northwest is caused by a boom, which is bound to break, as a similar boom did in the south, and leave business almost at a standstill. Then will commence an exodus of those now rushing to these towns, and the lots which have cost so dear will be sacrificed to supply traveling expenses. In my opinion it will be twenty years before either Seattle or Tacoma will have a population of 100,000, if ever they do. Compare this state of things with the steady growth of real estate values in this city, particularly those of outside lands. My trip to the Northwestern towns has more than ever impressed upon my mind that the real estate of this city and county is the best investment to be found on the Pacific Coast. Living expenses are probably cheaper here than anywhere else in the world. There is plenty of recreation, parks, theaters and concert halls being worthy of the city. In spite of all this, outside property can be bought for but little more than a lot in the woods three or four miles from Seattle or Tacoma.

According to the last census the population of Seattle amounted to between 42,000 and 43,000; that of Tacoma is reported to be 40,000; Portland, by far the most substantial town in the Northwest, has only 35,000. Considering the stability of the business interests of Portland, and the superiority of such interests over all possible at Seattle or Tacoma, excepting, of course, the lumbering interest, this discrepancy in the population of Portland is very strange. That it exists points to the fact that the phenomenal growth of the first mentioned cities is not grounded on natural causes, but simply upon popular excitement, worked up by railroad competition. This competition has brought about the boom, attracted settlers, and raised land values to their present high figures, and not the business possibilities employed.

With San Francisco the matter is entirely different. Our city is undoubtedly the metropolis of the Pacific Coast, and while railroad competition is necessary to increase the volume of business, the business itself exists here, with unlimited possibilities for the future. The same remark applies to the State at large, which possesses far greater resources than that of Washington. That the great want of the people of California is more railroad accommodation is true, but it is not wanted to build up a boom and inflate property values, but to populate the valleys of the State and carry the merchandise of this busy and enterprising city. With a competing trans-continental railroad, it is my belief that the outside lands of this city will be rapidly improved, population will flock to California, and by means of scientific irrigation every cultivable foot of land will be put into use. It is unnecessary to add that this means the rapid growth and development of San Francisco.

IN THE AUCTION ROOM.

Easton, Eldridge & Co.'s weekly sale, which took place yesterday, was largely attended, and the bidding for the properties disposed of was lively. Following is a list of the pieces sold, viz: Administrator's sale of residence, 1124 Bush street, $8200; lot on south side of Fulton street, 82:6 feet west of Webster, $6500; Precita avenue investment property, 120x300, $2800; business lot on the north line of Page street, 165 feet west of Franklin, $23,500; three lots on Marine Heights, two for $1575 each, and the third for $1625; a corner in Richmond, 57:4x100, southwest corner of Point Lobos and Twentieth, $3400; lot 25x87:6 on the north line of Seventeenth street, short distance west of Douglass street, $875. Total amount of sale, $50,050.

SALES.

Shainwald, Buckbee & Co. have closed the following sales: The 50-vara lot on the northwest corner of Vallejo and Fillmore streets for $21,000. This lot was purchased on the 29th of last April by C. B. Platt from Lotta Crabtree, but, owing to a slight defect in the title, which has since been satisfactorily adjusted, the deed was not executed until yesterday. They also report the sale of 75 feet on Sutter street by 137:6 feet in depth, between Gough and Octavia streets, purchased by A. J. Boyken from Governor Low for $15,000. The deposit on this property was made some weeks ago.

NOTES.

Von Rhein's auction sale of miscellaneous city properties takes place to-morrow at their salesroom at noon, and the catalogue includes the following well-known pieces of property which will be offered without reserve: A California-street two-story dwelling; a Pacific Heights corner dwelling; No. 218 Lombard street; lot on San Jose avenue; cosy Fair Oaks cottage; home on Clipper street; dwelling on Seventeenth street; the southwest corner of Thirtieth and Dolores, and building lots on Utah street, with sundry lots elsewhere. The sale promises to be a good one.

BUILDERS' CONTRACTS.

Mary J. Lemman to Richardson & Gale, brickwork on the south line of Market street, 300 feet east of Seventh, east 50x90; $14,834.

Louis Flach et al. to Caspar Zwierlein, to build on south line of Pine street, 62:6 feet east of Webster, east 100x125; $7400.

Peter Forsythe with Daniel Hartnett, to build on southeast line of Harrison street, 55 feet northeast of Eleventh, northeast 25x100; $3800.

McNeil & Welden with Patrick Mulligan, to build on northeast line of Hawthorne street, 325 feet southeast of Folsom, southeast 23:6x112:6; $3007 70; bonds $2000; John J. Beaton et al. sureties.

NOON-DAY LUNCH.

The Proceeds Will Go to the St. John's Furnishing Fund.

There was a crowd from 11 o'clock yesterday morning until 2 o'clock in the afternoon at Irving Hall on Post street, the place where the ladies of the St. John's Presbyterian Church were giving a noon-day lunch. The hall presented a pretty appearance before the doors were thrown open. Eleven tables, each of a different color in its decorations, were spread and burdened down with all of the good things of the season. Each table was watched over very carefully by some matron and the guests were served by her aids, young ladies of St. John's congregation. The committee in charge of the affair was composed of Mesdames Thomas Anderson, L. E. Wallace and Mrs. Rose Smith. Among the matrons were Mesdames W. G. Anderson, Theodore F. George, C. G. Lathrop, N. G. Kittle, Mrs. Wilson and Miss Pendleton, and their assistants, the Misses Beales, Scott, Stevenson, George, Craig, Thompson, Kate Taylor, Grace Wooll, Etta George, Kittle, Heathcote, Steele, McPherson and Mrs. Ed Scott.

It is not known what the receipts of the day are, on account of some persons who were selling tickets not having reported, but it is thought that the net profit will be large. The money raised yesterday and to-day will go to the "furnishing fund" of the church.

A Land Decision Confirmed.

Secretary of the Interior Noble has affirmed the decision of the General Land Office Commissioner in the case of the Central Pacific Railroad Company and B. E. Valentine, intervenor, against S. D. Valentine, in a contest involving the mineral character of lands known as lots 1, 2, 3, 4, southeast half of the southeast quarter of Section 33, Township 15 north, Range 9 east, Sacramento, Cal. The land was located as mineral land after the railroad had filed a plat of it and acquired rights to it under its land grant. The Land Office claimed that it is mineral land, and that therefore the railroad company acquired no rights over it.

KILLED BY A TRUCK.

Supposed Suicide of a Discharged Insane Man.

J. Muwison, who was discharged from the Stockton Insane Asylum on the 17th inst. as a recovered patient, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon under the wheels of a heavy truck at the intersection of Spear and Harrison streets.

The truck was driven by William Reilly and is owned by Lewis & Albertson, lumber-dealers, on Steuart street. Reilly surrendered himself and was charged with manslaughter. He was released on his own recognizance. He did not see Muwison until after the accident.

Theodore Johnson, who was standing on the sidewalk at the time of the accident, saw the deceased make a jump suddenly and then fall before the wheel. Whether the leap was made to avoid the truck or with suicidal intent he could not tell, as the man seemed to stagger backward and then make a dive in the opposite direction.

Muwison's face was crushed into a pulp by the grinding wheels, which passed over his head. When the truck had passed over him he presented a horrible sight. His body was taken to the Morgue.

JOHN GRAY'S STEALINGS.

The Attempt to Collect Them From Ex-Commissioner Phillips.

The array of legal talent that gathered about the tables in Judge Shafter's courtroom yesterday morning suggested that something of unusual importance was on hand; and so it proved. The case of long standing, brought by State Controller John P. Dunn in the name of the people against William A. Phillips, who was a Harbor Commissioner in 1880-82, and his sureties, Moses Heller and William T. Garratt, to recover $114,596, came on for trial before a jury.

The case briefly outlined is as follows: During John S. Gray's term as Secretary of the Board of Harbor Commissioners there was a shortage in that office of about $91,600, and when Phillips was appointed Harbor Commissioner he gave a bond of $100,000 with Moses Heller and William T. Garratt as sureties. A demand was made upon him by Controller Dunn for this shortage, and upon his refusal to pay it suit was commenced against him and his sureties to recover the entire amount, with interest and penalty. This was in February, 1884. Since then both Heller and Garratt have died, and the suit is now prosecuted against the estate. Meanwhile John S. Gray has been convicted of embezzlement and served a term in the State Prison. O'Brien, his assistant, was also tried on the same charge, but never convicted, and finally died in the County Hospital.

In opening the case for the people it was stated that no attempt would be made to show that Phillips took the missing money, but it would be shown that he as Commissioner was responsible for any deficiencies resulting through the negligence or criminality of his agent. The defense set up by Phillips is that he faithfully discharged the duties of his office; that the missing money never came into his hands and that he never retained one cent of the State's money.

The people are represented on the trial by Langhorne & Miller, W. T. Baggett and J. B. Mheoa; defendant Phillips by Sullivan & Sullivan; the Garratt estate by Sharp & Powell, and the Heller estate by Hall, Rogers & Hiller. The jurors are Robert Lorentz, Henry Ecks, D. Wohlman, Charles P. Overton, B. C. Austin, Jerome Walsh, Sylvester Moore, R. A. Kershaw, Fritz Hauer, Hemming F. Lode, J. K. Jones and Michael Flood. The trial will most likely last for several weeks.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Jacob Heyman to Lizzie Sinclair, lot 102, Cobb Tract $10
Abraham E. Block to Antonio Cerell, lot on E. line of Mission st., 69 N. of Lombard, N. 23x70 4,050
Louisa Mendel to Sophia Meodel, undivided half of lot on W. line of Scott st., 100 S. of O'Farrell, S. 25x90 10
August Kiahn to A. T. Ruthrauf, lot on N. line of Twenty-third st., 57:6 E. of Chattanooga, E. 30x40 10
Charles Harley (by executrix) to Augustus L. Rhodes, lot on S.W. cor. Commercial and Davis sts., N. 72:6, W. 55, S. 17:6, W. 40, N. 64:6, W. 20, S. 119:6, E. 115 100
J. W. Huey to Henrietta Huey, lots 25 and 26, Block 44, City Land Association 5
Maud A. Hayes and husband to Henry Lacy, lot 19, Block V, Park Land Tract 3 5
John Gillig et al to John Henkel, lot on NE. cor. of B and Devisadero sts., E. 27:6x110 10
Leonard H. Peckman to Andrew S. Young, lot on W. line of Broderick st., 100 S. of Jackson, S. 27:8½x112:6 10
Behrend Joost to Louis Landler, lot on E. line of Stanyan st., 75 S. of Rivoli ave., S. 25x100 10
Louis Landler to B. Lanfranchi and wife, same 10
Chancellor Harrison (by executrix) to L. M. Bigelow, lot on N. line of Bush st, 137:6 E. of Mason, E. 27:8x137:6 10
San Francisco Savings Union to same, same 10
Kate T. Grady to Florence M. McCann, lot on E. line of Jackson st., 176:9 E. of Cherry, E. 29:6x127:8½ 10
John C. Spencer to Mary Humphries, lot 31, Block 3, Juniper Homestead Association 10
James Wall to Robert McKeever, lot on SE. line of Sheridan st., 80 NE. of Tenth, NE. 25x100 10
Henry Holland to Ferd Koenig, lot on SW. line of Montgomery ave., 10:10½ SE. of Filbert st., SE. 57:5¼, W. 36:9⅛, N. 44:11½ 10
Joseph M. Comerford to Reinhold Richter, lot on N. line of McAllister st., 331:6 W. of Parker ave., W. 25, N. 86:9, NE. 25, S. 89:8 4,000
Charles A. Pope to M. S. Moe, lot on W. line of Harper st., 195 S. of Thirdeth, S. 35x100 10
Aaron Ostroska and wife to Max J. Franklin, lot on N. line of Sutter, 77:6 E. of Fillmore, E. 25x100 10
Frances Kelly to Patrick J. Kelly, lot on NE. cor. of Elm ave and Scott st., N. 40x32:6 ..... Gift
F. S. Wensinger to San Francisco Gas Light Company, Western Addition Blocks 256 10
Same to same, Western Addition Blocks 254 10
Joseph B. Crockett to same, Western Addition Blocks 256 10
Daniel Roth et al. to same, lot on NW. cor. of North Point and Buchanan sts., N. 275x206:3; also lot on NW. cor. of Bay and Buchanan sts., N. 275x206:3 10
A. S. Baldwin to Jane Maclachlan, lots 16 and 17, Block H, West End 10
Anastasia Foley to Rebecca J. Carson, lot on W. line of Devisadero st., 55 S. of Geary, S. 27:1x80 10
Angus Cameron to Patrick C. Lynch, lot on E. line of Steiner st., 128 N. of Sacramento, N. 31:9x96; also lot on E. line of Broderick st., 27:6 S. of Sacramento, S. 25x82:6; lot on W. line of Masonic ave., 150 S. of Oak st., S. 25x109 10
J. F. Burris to Annie T. Dunphy, same 10
G. R. Rexford to Sarah A. Marryatt, lot on W. line of Ninth ave., 225 S. of California st., S. 50x120 10
Same to Leon Goldenstein, lot on S. line of California st., 132:6 W. of Ninth ave., W. 50x110 10
John H. Grady to Daniel M. O'Neil et al., lot on N. line of Jersey st., 101:6 W. of Sanchez, W. 25x114 5

ALAMEDA.

George T. Hawley to George W. Reaser, lots 2 and 3, subdots 14 and 15 in H. C. Lee 100-acre tract, Oakland 1,350
G. Niebaum to W. E. Powell, lot 50x150, on N. line of San Antonio ave., 200 E. of Willow st., Alameda 10
C. A. Baile to A. G. Powell, lot 60x135, on E. line of Seventh st., 200 S. of Bancroft way, Berkeley 627
Same to S. E. Powell, lot 60x135, on E. line of Seventh st., 200 S. of Bancroft way, Berkeley 627
Joseph R. Kendall and S. A. Kendall to Sarah A. Kendall, lot on NE. cor. of Harrison and Durant sts., E. 32:2, N. to west arm of Lake Merritt, to 328:2 to Harrison, etc. ..... Gift
H. J. Fouts to F. Page, lot 33:6x125, on W. line of Market st., 150:2 S. of Eighteenth, Oakland 10
George V. Metger to C. L. Parish, lot 5x15, lot 75 feet from Adeline st. and 95 N. of Twelfth 5
M. A. Gunn to J. T. Quirk, lot 52x139, on S. line of Isabella st., 39:4 W. San Pablo ave. 410
S. Carle to George W. Webb, lot 120x137, on NW. cor. of Bancroft way and Dana st., Berkeley 100
George W. Webb to R. A. Morse, same 100
Antonio Cardoza and wife to A. S. Martens, 10 acres on County road from Centerville to Alvarado 10,000
M. W. Wood to C. C. Baker, 4 acres on NE. cor. land of Mrs. M. R. Savage, Berkeley 2,600
Fred H. Busby to E. B. Norton, lot 35x100 on S. line of Eighth st., 40 W. of Brush ..... * 10
J. R. Davis to M. A. Miler, lot 25x100 on NW. cor. of Sixth and Fallon sts. 10
S. Markham to J. J. Markham, lot 122x209 on NW. cor. of Van Buren ave. ..... Gift
G. School to F. L. Matson, 31.25 acres, part of plat 39 Bernal portion of Rancho el Valle de San Jose 1,056
Rachel A. Horton to W. Thonagie, lot 25x120 on W. line of McPherson st., 50 S. of Kings ave. 1,650
E. White to S. and L. Baird, lot 50x120 on SE. line of Ash ave., 50 SW. from Twenty-third st. 10
G. S. Abbott to J. H. Dilgwell, lot 35x100 on West st., 30 S. of Twenty-first 1,700
George T. Hawley to O. E. Hothkins, lot 15, Block B, Oakland View Homestead 10
Same to W. E. Barnard, lots 9 and 10, subdivision of Blocks 14 and 15, in H. C. Lee's 100-acre tract 10

Found a Corpse.

Richard Welch and James McArdle, two hunters, while out on Sunday last found the body of a man on Little Coyote Island, off Belmont. The remains were those of a man about 30 years of age. He was quite well dressed. The men made no mention of their "find" until last night, when they reported the matter to the Coroner of the city.

ACROSS THE BAY.

A Family's Providential Escape From Asphyxiation.

Grand Jury Impaneled—An Electric Railway Threatened With Injunction—Why an Alameda Marriage Did Not Take Place.

Mrs. Maguire, recently from Colorado, put up at the Crellin Hotel two nights ago with her three children, one an infant, and the others aged 7 and 9 respectively. She did not understand the gas and blew it out. She and the children at once fell asleep, but the seven-year-old child was so affected that without waking it rolled and tumbled until it fell out upon the floor, awaking the mother. She was so stupefied that she was only able to crawl to the window and open it. She was immediately revived and awoke her children. She summoned assistance and was instructed with reference to stopping the flow of gas. It was a narrow escape from death.

A meeting of the attorneys in the test suit with reference to the recent annexation will be held to-morrow evening to agree upon points to be submitted to the courts for decision.

AUDITOR SNOW'S ESTIMATES.

Auditor Snow has examined the Finance Committee's report to the Council of changes in his estimates, and finds that while it decreased the amounts given by him to the Free Library, Health Department, License Inspector, Police, School and Street departments and Water Fund, aggregating in all $23,659, it increases the estimates in the aggregate $38,538, to give the Fire Department an increase of $22,364, Wharf Improvement Fund $11,500 and the Bond Redemption Fund $4674.

The orthodox Hebrews of Oakland began the observance of the day of Atonement at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the synagogue of the First Hebrew Congregation. Rev. Dr. M. S. Levy delivered a discourse on "Religion from a Realistic Standpoint." This morning at 11:30 o'clock he will deliver a sermon on "Our Duty to the Living."

The Young Women's Christian Association will hold open house to-day and receive donations of articles for distribution by the young lady members among the needy homes of the city during their missionary visitations.

GRAND JURY IMPANELED.

The new Grand Jury was impaneled by Judge Gibson yesterday. Following are the names of those composing it: James Hutchison, J. F. Teague, W. F. Carroll, John Striker, J. E. Biethen, Henry Loomis, W. T. Gibbs, James Adams, W. T. Fisher, John Mitchell, F. F. Langley, Charles Prowse, Franklin Farmer, John Hortenstine, H. H. Worley, W. G. Hawkett, H. E. Mosner, H. A. Benson, Amsey Carey. The Court appointed William T. Gibbs as foreman.

Judge Ellsworth yesterday denied a motion for a new trial in the case wherein Rudolph Franke's marriage with Wilhelmina Bruhn was annulled on the ground of her fraud.

In view of the United States Grand Jury having exonerated Chief Jailer and Deputy Sheriff E. H. Woolsey, he has been reinstated, but, having made other arrangements, he t