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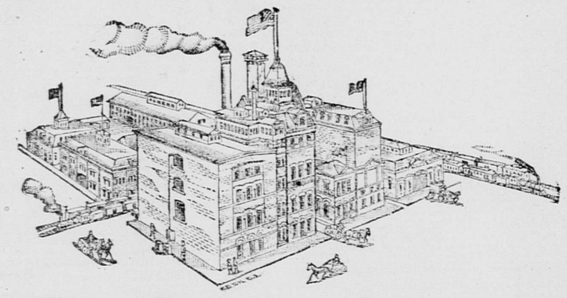

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ISRAEL'S WAIFS.

Annual Meeting at the Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

President S. W. Levy Makes an Encouraging Report—Home for the Aged—Finances in a Healthy State.

Yesterday afternoon the Pacific Hebrew Orphan Asylum and Home Society held its twentieth annual meeting in the gymnasium of the asylum on the corner of Devisadero and Hayes streets, S. W. Levy, President, in the chair.

The meeting, which was very short, was adjourned after the President, Secretary and Treasurer had submitted their reports and a few minor actions had been taken.

PRESIDENT LEVY'S REPORT.

The President in the following, a very concise and able report, gives the status of the society in its every department:

To the Trustees, Patrons and Members of the Pacific Hebrew Orphan Asylum and Home Society: Another year has silently but swiftly passed away, and it again becomes my official duty as President of this society to lay before you the results of the work accomplished since last annual meeting, held September 29, 1889.

I am gratified to be able to state that our financial standing is secure; that the physical condition of our wards is excellent; that the deportment of the wards, with few exceptions, has been good, and that their mental progress has been satisfactory.

CAPITAL FUND INTACT.

Notwithstanding the fact that the expenses of the asylum have been increased by the enlargement of the household, the improvements that have been made upon the main asylum building and the erection and furnishing of a gymnasium for the children, the capital fund of the society has not been touched. At the beginning of the last fiscal year, September 1, 1889, it amounted to $220,125 78, while at the present time it amounts to $222,424 33, of which $57,240 95 belongs to the home fund.

Our membership on the first of this month was 1542, or a diminution of seven members as compared with last year. This membership is divided as follows: Honorary life members, 3; life members and patrons, 173; patrons and members, 1366. This state of affairs should not exist. We ought to have at least double the above number of members. I consider our present membership disproportionate to the large and increasing Jewish population of the Pacific Coast.

CALISTHENICS.

Your Board of Trustees have found it necessary, in order to secure the physical culture of our wards, to erect a gymnasium, fitted with all modern appliances. The building has been completed and its calisthenic appliances have been fully enjoyed by the children. Under the instruction of the Superintendent, Henry Mauser, the children are now regularly practicing and drilling, thus gaining strength and capacity for their future efforts in life.

On the 1st of September, 1889, we had 86 children under our care. At the present time we have 97, of which 91 are in the asylum and 6 boarding out-side, learning trades, etc. Of these 97 children 49 are girls are 48 are boys. During this fiscal year we have admitted 31 children, 20 boys and 11 girls, and discharged during the same period 20 children, 7 girls and 13 boys, most of whom are now able to earn their own living.

During the year we have received the following donations: From M. W. Hyman, in memory of his wife, $500; from Louis Wormser, on the anniversary of his wife's death, $100; from A. Anspacher, in memory of his wife, $1000, and sundries $431 75. We have also during the year received the following bequests: From M. Philips, $250, and from Andrew Welch, $5000.

A HOME FOR THE AGED.

We are now engaged in fully carrying out the second object for which this society was formed, viz.: to build a home for the aged and infirm Israelites. We have an accumulated fund of $57,240 95 for a "home," and the location has been decided upon, being the lot 200x600 on the corner of Silver avenue and Mission road. The plans of the building have been accepted by the Board of Trustees, and the contracts for its erection are soon to be given out.

S. W. LEVY, President.

President Levy was empowered to appoint a Nominating Committee for the selection of officers and Directors, who will be voted for on the first Monday in November.

A unanimous vote of thanks was given the President for his faithful service in the cause of the children.

High License Association.

The San Francisco High License Association will hold a mass-meeting in Metropolitan Hall on Tuesday evening, at which Joseph G. Eastland will preside and Rev. A. J. Kerr, A. L. Hallidie and Charles A. Murdock will deliver addresses. The following-named gentlemen will act as Vice-Presidents: Rev. Dr. Mackenzie, A. L. Bancroft, Ira P. Rankin, W. A. Bushnell, Rev. Father Montgomery, James H. Barry, George W. Gibbs, ex-Judge J. F. Sullivan, Dr. George A. Moore, Martin R. Roberts Jr., Rev. Horatio Stebbins, Oliver Eldridge, Joseph A. Donohoe, L. H. Bonestell, Robert Balfour, C. V. S. Gibbs, Michael Flood, Charles Ashton. Ladies are cordially invited.

HIS GRACE'S VISIT.

Archbishop Riordan's Reception at Santa Clara.

An Entertainment Given in His Honor—The Student's Fiscal Tributes—Address by the Guest.

A pleasant surprise was accorded the students of Santa Clara College by the visit of his Grace, the Most Rev. P. W. Riordan, D.D., of San Francisco, which occurred on last Friday.

The occasion was made an enjoyable one by the welcome extended by the students, and in honor of the event an entertainment was given on the same evening at which his Grace, accompanied by Rev. Joseph Sasia, S.J., the President, and also the faculty of the college with many of the secular clergy were present.

After a short musical programme a floral presentation was made to his Grace, which was followed by J. E. McElroy, S.B., in an able address of greeting. C. H. Jessen delivered a poetical address of welcome. Next, on behalf of the students, Master Cornelius Daniel presented the following address:

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TURF NOTES.

Eastern Turf Papers Exposing Turf Corruption.

An Effectual Remedy for Swindling Jobs—The Blood-Horse Association and the Fall Meeting.

It can not be denied by unprejudiced observers that the racing, both in the harness and running divisions, all through the State circuit this year is much behind past seasons in quality and interest.

POOR ONES THIS YEAR.

The admission must be made that there is nothing racing now on the Coast equal to the class of horses that took part in last year's circuit. At the State Fair, where the best horses always concentrate, this was especially noticeable. The reason for the decline is easily found in the fact that the money to be won in the East is so much greater and easier to secure that owners of good stock prefer to go across the mountains, where they can do the best for themselves, and in this they are perfectly justified and show good sense.

THE STOCKTON FAIR.

Stockton closed its fair last Saturday. The meeting was not very largely attended, and the fields were very small. Some sharp upsets occurred in the running events; the trots were nearly all one-sided, and of but little general interest. To-morrow Fresno's meeting will open and as the Directors have been very liberal with their purses some good racing will be, no doubt, had.

BREEDERS AT NAPA.

After Fresno the next racing of importance will be that given under the auspices of the Breeders' Association at Napa, commencing on October 13th. A special committee on arrangements is sparing no pains to make the meeting a success, and negotiations are now under way to bring the different classes together so that horse races and not processions (as has been the case nearly all through the circuit by bad classification) can be enjoyed by visitors. The winners throughout the circuit will be brought together if possible and close contests thus insured. Margaret S will be sent against her record possibly, and perhaps the Hickok and Marvin stables, that have been campaigning East will be back in time to take part in the meeting. If they do, and their horses are fit to go, there should be some of the best contests seen on the Coast. Alfred S, Stamboul, Palo Alto and the rest of the good ones should show some good sport.

WILL THEY RACE?

What does the Pacific Coast Blood-horse Association propose to do this year? Does it intend to give a fall meeting, or not? The fact that large entrance fees have been paid into the association's treasury for stakes advertised to be run this fall seems to bind the Directors to hold the meeting. But it looks as if all interest had been lost by the management. It has gradually run down, and it seems impossible to awaken the Directors from their apathy. Last spring a committee was appointed to infuse some life into the association and solicit special donations toward stakes from the hotels, street-car companies, livery-stable owners and others, who are all largely benefited by the races. So far this committee has not made a move. It is quite true that the number of running horses now on the Coast is small and of low grade, but this condition of affairs is not beyond remedy. Let the association offer good stakes and purses and enough horses to make the meeting a success would be shipped here from Chicago, Louisville and other accessible points. However, whatever the Blood-horse people decide to do they should do at once and settle the matter one way or another.

TURF CORRUPTION.

It is a notorious fact that corruption on the turf all over the country is increasing at an alarmingly rapid rate. So far the New York Tribune, whose racing reports and criticisms are of the highest class, has been the only leading Eastern paper that has had the courage and honesty to bell the cat. None of the regular Eastern turf journals cared apparently to touch the subject. It is, however, gratifying to note that the New York Sportsman has joined forces with the Tribune and vers forcibly comments on the existing rascality. THE CALL has from the commencement criticized without fear or favor all suspicious racing on the Coast in its regular racing reports, and in its weekly turf column has drawn attention to what was so glaringly fraudulent, that though its information was derived solely from the Eastern racing reports and local pool-room descriptions, no error could be made, but that trickery was rampant. Referring to turf corruption the New York Sportsman says editorially:

AN ABLE EDITORIAL.

In another column one of the Sportsman's staff writers calls attention to the astonishing amount of crooked work on the running turf, which has of late become so barefaced as to be the subject of general remark among turfmen who have the welfare of racing at heart. It seems that the executive hands of the different jockey clubs are tied through absence of any actual proof of collusion between certain owners, trainers, jockeys and the betting ring. By this we mean that while the executives would certainly be willing to stake their own reputations as gentlemen and upright turfmen upon the existence of such collusion in quarters on which they can very easily lay a finger in private, yet they are not yet possessed of material evidence which would hold good in a court of inquiry. That they are diligently searching for such evidence, however, we are in a position to affirm. More than one owner, trainer, jockey and book-maker are at this moment unconsciously operating directly under the official eye. Perhaps it is best that they should know this, and certainly it is preferable that where criminality does exist it should be stamped out without a public exposure which must otherwise ensue and which, when it does ensue, will be an ineffaceable blot upon the turf. No man can be guilty of dishonest deeds and still be ignorant of the risks he runs of exposure and its attendant punishment. Therefore, since it is absolutely certain that the Sportsman is read weekly by almost everyone who is actively associated with racing, perhaps our timely warning may be accepted as a forewarner of the inevitable results of close and unflagging investigation. Heretofore exposure has been unknown, just as fear of it has been foreign to the reckless operators who consider the turf their legitimate and natural prey. Trainers think nothing of spending whole days in the betting ring, in close confabulation with the very book-makers to whom the finger of suspicion points as their partners in the organized fleece. The old guard of trainers remaining in the neighborhood of their stables seems to be followed no longer in many quarters.

What a lasting shame that thousands of honest lovers of racing should be made the dupes of a confederation of unprincipled scamps, who care not how it is done so long as their bank accounts keep on swelling by the abstraction of other people's funds! What an outrage that the better class of racegoers are debarred from enjoying fair and square speculation, simply because they know that their winning or losing depends solely and entirely upon the sweet will of a select coterie or men who came on the turf penniless, and who, when they have been found out and expelled from the society of decent turfmen, will put one finger to their nose and laughingly point to the huge wallet in their pocket with another! What a disgrace to the name of honesty that fair dealing men must question the advisability of shaking the outstretched hand which is proffered on the racetrack, because they cannot be sure that by doing so they, too, may not be unconsciously the victims of misdirected suspicion! And yet, this is the state of affairs existing on the American running turf at present; this is the cancer which is worming its devastating way to the heart of racing, and which will be the death of honest sport unless its course is quickly checked. The remedy is only to be found in prompt action by the authorities.

THE PROPER REMEDY.

For a long time THE CALL has been advocating the only real remedy for this state of things. It is easily applied and would effectually stop the robberies. Whenever a job is detected without any doubt rule off the owner, trainer, jockey, horses and all others connected with the job for life without any possible reinstatement. Rule them all off, millionaire or poor man, and prohibit them from ever putting foot on a race-track again. A few examples and a reform would be effected.

POTOMAC THE BEST.

The two-year-olds East are beginning to sift themselves down and good judges now class Potomac as the best of the year, then follow Sallie McClellan, Russell and Strathmeath. Woodcutter also is over average class.

Starter Caldwell's work at the big tracks East is being much criticized and considerable dissatisfaction with his send-offs, especially in the big stake events, is expressed.

On Wednesday the Morris Park meeting at Westchester commences and closes on the 15th. It is the last Eastern regular meeting. After it comes Linden and Elizabeth, and then the Jersey winter tracks will hold their usual mud festivals until the spring of '91 opens.

INCLOSED IN GLASS.

At Clifton, especially, big improvements are under way for the winter carnival. A new betting ring to accommodate 150 bookmakers has been built. The sides and roof are of glass, and it is to be heated by huge stoves. The grand stand, also, has been enlarged and newly inclosed with glass, and will be heated by steam. New saddling paddocks, 250 feet long by 50 feet wide, have been provided, all also inclosed in glass. The cost of the new improvements is over $60,000.

A BROKEN "TRUST."

The "colored trust" for backing race-horses is reported to have come to grief. It is composed of Billy Walker, C. A. Jordan, J. Thompson, Paton Clay, John Carter and Sam Monnell as principals, with several valuable allies on the side. Last year they controlled a number of good horses, among them being Ruperta, Frontenac, Pearl Set, Foxmede and Silver Prince. It was said at the close of the racing season of 1889 that these worthies had $700,000 to their credit, all made in a few months. This year seems to have been a hard one for them, as it is said the "trust" lost $400,000 on the Eastern tracks between July 4th and September 15th, and have reached bottom. Billy Walker was formerly in the employ of Richard Ten Broeck, and rode the famous Ten Broeck to his mile record of 1:39¾.

RACING WOMEN.

The Duchess of Montrose, who for many years was the only woman on the English turf, now has several companions, among them being Mrs. Chaloner, Mrs. Ayre, Miss Graham, Mrs. Hall and Miss Temple. The Duchess of Montrose ran her horses in the name of "Mr. Manton," having some little delicacy about the matter. Last year, being left for the second time a widow, and being at that time over sixty years of age, she married a young man of 23, a good-looking fellow, on whom she made an ante-nuptial settlement of $100,000.

Jockey Hamilton wears the finest diamond ring seen on the race-track. It was Mr. Belmont's token of appreciation for his winning the Futurity with Potomac.

Potomac's earnings this season now amount to nearly $75,000, making him the largest winning two-year-old in the history of the American turf. Proctor Knott, with $66,550 in stakes and purses, has been relegated to second place, and Chaos, with $63,550, to third. Both Proctor Knott and Chaos started oftener than Potomac has.

HEARST TO WEED OUT.

Trainer Cooper has advised a weeding out of the Hearst stable. It is said he desires to retain only Tournament, Rhono, Miss Bell and some of the two-year-olds. King Thomas will, of course, be kept as a prize beauty. If he had never been raced he might still enjoy a wonderful reputation on paper.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Shooting Affray in Which a Hoodlum Is Hit.

"I'm shot; help me!"

The exclamation in a loud voice startled the Receiving Hospital attaches at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and on going to the door they saw a half drunken man with blood trickling down over his left shoe to the floor. He said his name was Frank Randall and that James Griffin, the bar-keeper in the Whale saloon, a disreputable drinking place on Kearny street, near Jackson, had shot him.

His story was told to the police and Griffin was soon locked up in the City Prison on a charge of assault to murder.

Until recently Randall had been tending bar in the saloon, but was dismissed for some reason, which the owner would not state. He bears an unenviable reputation, and has been in prison before, charged with robbery. He entered the saloon yesterday morning purposely to quarrel with Griffin. He called Griffin many hard names and struck at him with a cane, whereupon the latter whipped out his revolver and fired instantly without taking certain aim.

The bullet entered Randall's left leg and lodged under the ligatures, but the wound is not considered serious. Both men were intoxicated.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

Employes of Bacon & Co. Admitted to Membership.

San Francisco Typographical Union, No. 21, held a regular meeting yesterday afternoon at 32 O'Farrell street, S. H. Jenner, presiding.

The application of the electrotypers for admission to the union was laid over for a month, to permit of further inquiries in the matter.

A motion to ballot for applicants from Bacon & Co. was adopted, after objection from only one member. With the exception of three employes, whose applications require further consideration, the whole force was admitted to membership.

An elderly applicant who had belonged to the union in Chicago and this city, and then was in the ministry for twenty years, who was employed in Bacon's, was reinstated with a fine of $10.

In the report of the Secretary reference was made to the fact that seven non-union offices in this city were employing girls at starvation wages.

Alexander M. Kennedy of Washington, D. C., complied with an invitation to address the meeting. He was a member of the first printers' organization on this coast, and also a leader in the movement which procured the cemetery plot at Laurel Hill.

After the transaction of a goodly amount of business of a secret nature, the meeting adjourned.

CARDS AND CONFIDENCE.

An Unsuspecting Frenchman Is Fleeced by Acquaintances.

Louis Carlshea and Joseph Daniel were taken in custody yesterday forenoon on a charge of grand larceny. They are accused of swindling J. Duffe, a Frenchman, who has been in San Francisco for only three weeks, out of a gold watch and chain and $66.

When Duffe felt himself settled in the city he accepted the invitation of Carlshea to view the sights, and when a game of cards was suggested he willingly took a hand. Before leaving the table he was minus his watch and chain and money. Yet he believed he was unfortunate only, and promised to meet his new acquaintance and his companion—Daniel—yesterday morning in a saloon on Market street, near Turk.

In the meantime Duffe began to realize that he had been swindled, and acting on the impulse informed the police, who accompanied him to the Market-street saloon. Carlshea and Daniel were there and began playing the same old game while the officers looked on at the swindle for a short time until they rudely interrupted the game.

Naval Orders.

The orders of Lieutenant Commander R. D. Hitchcock to the Fifteenth Light-house District have been revoked, and he has been ordered to command the Alert on the Pacific Station. Other officers ordered to her are Lieutenants R. Walnright, as executive, detached from the Naval Academy; Dennis H. Mahan, detached from the McArthur; William H. Allen, from duty in the library at the Navy Department; Ensigns E. A. Anderson and J. F. McGiness, from the Coast Survey Office, and S. M. Trite, Passed Assistant Surgeon F. W. Olcott, Assistant Paymaster M. R. Calvert, from the New York Navy-yard, and Passed Assistant Engineer John D. Ford, detached from the Independence.

Passed Assistant Engineer J. P. D. Lawrence, detached from the Norfolk Navy-yard, is under orders to the Monocacy on the Asiatic station, per steamer leaving on Wednesday.

They Dropped Their Plunder.

Saturday afternoon Officer Egan of the harbor police espied six men walking along the sea-wall carrying with them six sacks evidently filled with metal. The officer went up a side street to head them off, but they evidently had seen him and dropped the sacks and ran. Egan took the sacks to the Harbor Station, where they were found to contain a miscellaneous assortment of copper pipes, valves, flanges, brass oil-cups, sheet lead, etc., the whole weighing about 300 pounds. The police think that the plunder was stolen in Oakland and brought over in a boat for disposal.

Dr. Harcourt's Departure.

Last Tuesday evening the Rev. Dr. Harcourt took leave of a large party of friends who had assembled at the residence of Mrs. Brannan on Natoma street, for the purpose of wishing him "God speed." After farewells had been said, a delegation of the doctor's parishoners accompanied him and his family across the bay, where they boarded the overland train and were shortly after en route for their new home.

The Widow's Mite.

The subject of the lesson in Mrs. Cooper's Bible class yesterday was "The Widow's Mite," and the topic of discussion, "She Had Done What She Could." During the meeting Mrs. Cooper announced that all the kindergartens would reopen today, and that on October 30th, in accordance with a promise given to the citizens of San Jose, she would lecture in that city on "The Kindergarten in Its Relation to Manual Training."

Robbed a Drunken Man.

J. O'Brien and Edwin Belcher, two rough-looking young men, were caught yesterday afternoon in the act of robbing William Kerrigan, a resident of East Oakland, who was under the influence of liquor, at the corner of Third and Minna streets. They succeeded in taking $4 80 from Kerrigan, but had not gone far when Officer Gus Wollweber had them in custody on a charge of robbery.

Paying Out the Cash.

Saturday was the fourth pay-day with Treasurer J. P. Dockery of the 9th of September Celebration Committee. He issued checks amounting to $6528 25, making, with the amounts previously disbursed, $31,025 45 to date.

Stole a Horse and Buggy.

Petrovitch Rubobarski took a horse and buggy from John Dutre in West Berkeley and sold them to a Mission groceryman for $22. He was arrested yesterday on Harrison street and charged with grand larceny.

CITIZEN SOLDIERY.

Heavy Recruiting Necessary in the N. G. C.

Tales Reminiscent of Camp Waterman—Signal Corps Dinner—Alameda's Military Club Almost Dead.

One of the monthly features of general orders from the Adjutant-General's office of the State of California is a tabulated list giving the so-called "figures of merit" of every organization in the National Guard of this State, now comprising sixty companies and four signal corps in as many brigades. In the N. G. C. a company is composed of not less than 50 nor more than 103 officers and privates, and a regiment of not less than six nor more than ten companies, though as a matter of fact there is not one regiment of ten companies, the Third Infantry having the greatest number of companies—eight. There is also a cadet company attached to the First Infantry, making the total number of companies six, but it is not included in the figures of merit.

When one compares, however, the figures of the National Guard of California as it might be, and as it is on paper, the "figures of merit" are really not longer such, and one cannot escape the conclusion that the State is not receiving the worth of its money. Take the Second Brigade, which is the flower of the division, and were it recruited to its authorized strength there would be something like a brigade of 2990 company officers and men, yet it numbers only 60 per cent of that number, or 1805. The following table shows that the National Guard of California is only recruited up to a little above 58 per cent of its authorized maximum strength. It will be of more interest, perhaps, than the monthly "figures of merit," at any rate it will have the merit of novelty by presenting a feature to which attention is seldom directed:

ORGANIZATION.	On the Rolls.	Maximum Strength.	Number Lacking.
First Infantry	497	721	224
Second Artillery	406	723	317
Third Infantry	478	824	346
Fifth Infantry	367	618	251
San Francisco Hussars	57	104	47
Second Brigade	1,805	2,990	1,185
Sixth Infantry	376	618	242
Seventh Infantry	315	618	303
Eighth Infantry	307	515	208
Ninth Infantry	348	618	270
First Artillery	358	620	262
Tenth Infantry	141	206	65
	3,650	6,185	2,535
Signal Corps (4)	81		
Total	3,731		

Now if that Second Brigade could only parade once 1805 men, or very nearly that number, what a red-letter day in its history it would be.

REMINISCENT OF CAMP.

All the things in connection with Camp Waterman have not been told by the newspaper correspondents, who mainly retailed the gossip gathered at headquarters, and of course ignored or did not condescend to record the doings and trials and the privations of the enlisted men, without whom there could no more have been an encampment than could the play of "Hamlet" be produced with Mr. Hamlet left out. Who has told of the pitiful despair of the rear guard of one of the regiments confronted at it was for a time with the cheerless prospect of marching homeward over the Santa Cruz Mountains on empty stomachs and pockets?

As long as the caterer was in camp yet, gathering up the "impedimenta" of the commissary department—everything was "impedimenta" in Santa Cruz, for "baggage" and "stores" were terms too vulgar for a brigade camp—the rear guard had no care for the morrow, but had enough to eat. The boys were sadly improvident, however, with their money left them for their meals by the quartermaster, or paid them in advance for work. When all the heavy baggage had been placed on the freight train, a day or two after the breaking up of camp, they themselves boarded the passenger train for home, with tickets provided them.

This rear guard had proceeded some five or six miles when the conductor appeared to gather up the tickets, and the awful discovery was made that they were overdue by as many days as had elapsed since the homeward departure of the brigade. Not one in that rear guard had eaten that day, and not one had money enough to buy a square meal, and all but one were incontinently bounced from the train and dumped with a box of apples (all the commissary stores with them, and stolen at that) somewhere in the wilds of the Santa Cruz Mountains. That one is a corporal, and a son of a railroad official, and as he had a pass over the road, he volunteered to consider himself an expedition of one for the relief of the bankrupt and stranded rear guard.

For over twenty-four hours that rear guard had a precarious existence, the corporal itself marching back to Santa Cruz lugging that box of apples; slept that night in out-houses or did not sleep at all; appeased hunger altogether on the apples stolen from a Chinese orchard after braving the teeth of faithful watchdogs, and every minute of the day and night bewailed their lack of economy. Tidings from the relief expedition were received, however, on the following morning, which is short, the quartermaster's telegraphic money order was cashed and empty stomachs were filled; his arrangement with the railroad to transport them home at the cost of the regiment was carried out, and now the Paymaster is kicking over a bill of $70 for that rear guard.

GRAND ROUNDS OUTWITTED.

One of the Grand Rounds was cleverly outwitted one morning. A certain company was on guard, with its First Sergeant acting as sergeant of the guard as well as officer of the guard for all practical purposes, the Captain being officer of the day and the Lieutenant of the company in camp detailed in charge of the provost guard tent, where by day one had to salute officers and swallow more than the regulation peck of dust kicked in the air by horses, and where by night one had to keep warm and fight off sleep and mosquitoes.

The officers composing Grand Rounds presented themselves at 2:30 o'clock in the morning, and the sergeant of the guard escorted them on their rounds. The sentries were all comparatively new recruits, who had never done guard duty and certainly were not over confident as to the character of Grand Rounds, notwithstanding all the instructions given them. The sergeant was therefore in continued trepidation and verily "sweating blood" that his men would make some bad break or betray their ignorance by not making the proper challenges. But every sentry was on the alert, dark as it was, and challenged in a firm voice and strictly according to the book, like so many tried veterans.

Grand Rounds over and around the campfire, the sergeant was telling with just pride of the superior intelligence of the men at the posts and their admirable soldierly qualities. There was a general laugh at his expense and the reason for it was not apparent to the late sergeant of the Grand Rounds, until he was informed that while he was marching the Grand Rounds around the camp, the Lieutenant, who had trudged in from the provost tent for some hot coffee and pie, had taken in the situation at a glance and by a shorter route through the regimental street and between tents preceded him and warned every sentry and brushed him up on the challenges.

ON BRIGADE DRESS-PARADE.

Another amusing experience befell a certain well-known Drum-Major—the same one who told every one in camp that he "crossed the Alps with Napoleon." It was early in camp and the D. M. was out that afternoon in charge of the consolidated bands on the brigade dress-parade. Down he marched the line of the brigade as erect and proud as one of the immortals that "crossed the Alps with Napoleon," and back again he marched at the head of the four bands and the drum and bugle corps, the cynosure of all eyes.

There was nothing remarkable in this fact, but there was in the circumstance that a miserable and scrawny little yellow dog followed his every step on that brigade dress-parade and back to quarters after the ceremony. Not one of the hundreds who saw him knew why that miserable-looking cur should exhibit such fondness for the man who "crossed the Alps with Napoleon." The story is that the dog was tied by a piece of twine to the buttons of the coat-tail of the D. M. and the dog had no choice but follow.

That evening the slide-tromboneman in one band was missing, and on the following morning he was accounted for "absent on furlough," and well that he was, for had he tempted fate by remaining there he would have been a funeral and the corpse would have been that of a slide-tromboneman in a certain band.

HOW "BISCUITS" CAME HOME.

"Biscuits," the nickname of a certain private in a certain company, had a doleful experience. He obtained a furlough on the Saturday before breaking camp to go to Monterey to "visit a friend," as he put it—a friend in petticoats probably. "Biscuits" had had a riotous week in camp, having purchased several bottles of beer, so that when he went to Monterey from camp he had jingling in his inside pocket not more of the coin of the realm than to pay for his fare to and from, having promised his Captain to be on hand on the following day to go home with the regiment. But "Biscuits" missed his train on Sunday; there was no use of returning to Santa Cruz by the next train, for the regiment and the brigade would about be home at the same time, and "Biscuits" was thrown on his resources. True, he was with friends, but it was too humiliating to confess his quandary. But "Biscuits" reported at the armory in San Francisco some days after his regiment's arrival. He had worked his passage up from Monterey on one of the steamers as a dish-washer in the uniform of a private in the N. G. C.

RODE HOME ON THE BRAKES.

Another young warrior also wanted to commune with the idol of his heart at Los Gatos, and obtaining a furlough on Saturday left camp, having promised his Captain to meet the regiment on the following day at train time. The homeward train with the regiment was at the depot at the appointed hour sure enough, but no young warrior, who found himself without money enough to pay his fare to San Francisco. He came to town, however, a day after the regiment, having rode up on the brakes of a freight train. That young warrior's uniform will probably be accounted for by the Captain at the next annual muster and inspection under the head of "damaged in service."

PRETTY SOUVENIR CARD.

One of the prettiest souvenir menu cards was that devised for the dinner tendered on last Tuesday evening by Lieutenant-Colonel E. A. Denicke, S. O., to the Signal Corps of the Second Brigade, N. G. C. On this occasion Lieutenant-Colonel S. I. Kellogg, I. R. P., and Major D. E. Miles, S. O., were guests and Corporal P. J. Perkins was presented with the medal for being the best all-round signalman. The souvenir was bound in white satin with fringed end. On the face and embossed on a diamond-shaped piece of card was the corps helmet, with the orange plume in colored satin fringe; on the back, also on a diamond, was the embossed badge of the corps in red, silver and gold. The first page of the souvenir bore a photo of "the father of the signal corps," with his autograph, and the third and fourth the menu in the signal code, which menu, though probably not intelligible to everyone, was undoubtedly the best of the kind. The two last pages gave the names of the officers and members of the corps, forty-one in all.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END.

From Alameda one report is that "the new military company is still keeping up its organization and living in the hope that some day it will be mustered into the National Guard. If it does not succeed pretty soon the recruiting officers are likely to find it difficult to keep the ranks full." Another conveys the information that "the officers of the military club, which was organized in this city about six weeks ago, now state that the club cannot be mustered into the National Guard except by an act of the Legislature, and it is doubtful if the club will hold out much longer." As no one, save the ill-advised organizers, imagined for one moment that it ever would "hold out" at all, there will be no lamentations heard. Now, probably, not one of the officers so suddenly fired with military zeal, will work off their superfluous steam by enlisting in any of the three companies in Oakland and so near home. They would have to enlist as privates and military enthusiasts of the Alameda kind all want to be officers, sergeants and corporals—not privates.

WHAT IS THE CONNECTION?

A contemporary yesterday published in the order given the two items which follow, giving out, unintentionally perhaps, the impression that there is a connection between the "position on the regimental staff" and "the dinner given by Mrs. Lieutenant E. Kehrlein."

It is reported among those who know that there will be a vacancy in the office of Second Lieutenant of Company B, Third Infantry, soon, owing to the probable promotion of Lieutenant Kemlein to a position on the regimental staff with the rank of First Lieutenant and Paymaster.

A very pleasant social event in military circles was a dinner given by Mrs. Lieutenant E. Kehrlein to Colonel Thomas F. Barry and Lieutenant-Colonel O'Connor. The menu cards were beautiful samples of the lithographer's art, and were emblematic of military organizations.

A GRACEFUL ACT.

Brigadier-General Cutting did a graceful act in connection with Camp Waterman, and that is he did not appropriate for brigade headquarters the $1000 bonus for the camp subscribed by Santa Cruz, but ordered it divided among the companies composing his brigade. This stands out prominently when compared with the action of division headquarters in 1885, also at Santa Cruz, in hogging $900 in such a shamefaced manner as to call forth a circular in protest from the Colonels of the Second Brigade.

WATER IN THE AIR.

Public Test of the Tower Made by Fire Wardens.

The new water tower of the Fire Department was given a public test yesterday morning at the corner of Fremont and Mission streets in the presence of Supervisors, Fire Commissioners and about 1000 other people. The exhibition was satisfactory and astonished the eye-witnesses with what can be accomplished with proper appliances.

"Everything worked well," said Chief Scannell after the test was made. "The tower realized all we expected from it, and now we are prepared in case of a big fire to throw a solid stream of water two or three inches in diameter over the highest building in the city.

"We had three engines pumping six streams into the tower, and threw the combined streams through a 2½-inch nozzle a distance of not less than 250 feet. And this was done when the tower stood up 65 feet, its full height.

"Just imagine that volume of water pouring into a building from the top. Why we could deluge a building with it in half an hour.

"First we raised the tower with chemicals, which are placed in a valve and push upward the different sections by the force of expansion of gases in a cylinder. This test was also satisfactory, and then the tower was lowered. The second time it was run up with water.

"For the present we cannot organize a company for the tower, because the funds are short; nor have we a house for it yet. I have it in the corporation yard, and can man it with different engine companies if we have a big fire. Otherwise, it will not be in active use for some time."

The exhibition was an interesting sight. Such a volume of water rushing with great force and sound through the air like a tumultuous cataract held spectators spellbound. Its novelty, too, was doubly interesting, as it promised great things in the fight of men against the fiery elements.

A novel device for placing hose-pipes upon a temporary bridge ten or twelve feet above the street, to allow street-cars and general traffic to pass during a fire, was shown. The inventor is B. E. Henriksen, a young architect of this city.

Police Surgeons Change.

Dr. Joseph Wolf resigned from the position of Assistant Police Surgeon, and in his place Dr. A. P. O'Brien, a young practitioner, has been appointed.

Good News!

No one, who is willing to adopt the right course, need be long afflicted with boils, carbuncles, pimples, or other cutaneous eruptions. These are the results of Nature's efforts to expel poisonous and effete matter from the blood, and show plainly that the system is ridding itself through the skin of impurities which it was the legitimate work of the liver and kidneys to remove. To restore these organs to their proper functions, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the medicine required. That no other blood-purifier can compare with it, thousands testify who have gained

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