THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The General Plans of the Great Big Show Are Outlined.

Dimensions of the Main Buildings—A Mammoth International Religious Project Evolved by J. C. Dandson.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4, 1890.—The past week marked decided progress in the proceedings of the exposition. After a truly stormy session the commission accomplished the object of its meeting. As a result of its labors the site question has been finally and satisfactorily settled, the classification adopted, the apportionments and the plans of the buildings decided upon. A resolution was passed to the effect that the incorporation known as the World's Columbian Exposition of Chicago had performed its undertaking, and that a suitable site had been secured, and that the $10,000,000 for the futherance of the World's Columbian Exposition was forthcoming for the use and construction of the same. Also, that the President of the United States be instructed to issue a proclamation, inviting the people of all nations to prepare to participate in the greatest of all expositions in the history of man. This being done, the great fair can now be said to be fairly launched. From this date the world will anxiously watch it progress toward completion.

For a time, dissension and strife between the bodies made the prospects for the exposition look discouraging. The National Commission and Local Directory were foolishly jealous of their authorities. But a conference was called, a mutual understanding reached, and the cloud passed away, leaving the sky clearer than before. A Board of Control, consisting of eight members from each body, has been selected to settle all disputes in the future. This is a practical step, as it largely does away with the commission, and simplifies matters generally. Bureaus will do the work of committees, and from the condensation of power progress will come.

The Executive Committee of the commission will have a general supervision over the work of the lady managers. A suitable building will be erected on the exposition grounds and placed at their disposal. If they so request.

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION

Will ask that Congress appropriate an amount to defray their expenses. By a vote of twenty-eight to twenty-one, they voted to close the exposition Sundays.

The Hon. J. G. Blaine, on learning that an attempt was being made to construe the offering of $20,000 by the State Department to secure foreign exhibits into a partisan movement, immediately withdrew the offer. A dispatch was at once sent Mr. Blaine by Hon. T. M. Waller (ex-Democratic Governor), of the Foreign Committee, assuring him that such was not the case and regretting the casualty.

The following is an outline of the apportionment: Largely, the exposition will be placed at Jackson Park. The trees and waterways, as far as possible, will be left intact to furnish landscape scenery to form a contrast and add to the grandeur of the buildings. A large basin will form the center of a great court, around which the principal buildings of the exposition will be grouped. The banks of the land-locked bodies of water will be finished in appropriate ways, and the outlines masked in drooping foliage. The walks will be paved with mosaics of brick and stone, and comfortable seats placed along all resting places.

All public passenger railways are to enter the park at the southwest corner, delivering passengers at the Administration Building. From here an intramural electric elevated road will pass out through the grounds, entering buildings where advisable and having stations where necessary. After thus completing a circuit of the buildings and grounds it will return to its starting point. This simplifies the task of visiting the different buildings and exhibits.

Visitors once in the fair, after leaving the Administration Building, will come out on the great square or court, where ample room is provided for large crowds. Wheeled chairs are to be always here. As before stated, there will be

A GREAT WATER-BASIN

In the center of this court, where fountains will play, forming an object of brilliant beauty in the sunlight, or when illumined by colored incandescent lamps at night.

The horticulture exhibit will be placed on the broad expanse of made meadow, which affords ample room for a magnificent display. The live-stock have the most select location. In general there will be housing for stock and their attendants, and hospitals for the animals. Realizing the importance of the agricultural and live-stock exhibits it is the intention of the designers to make these departments interesting in plan and appearance by all the arts of the nineteenth century.

The Government will furnish its own building and exhibits, among the latter a line-of-battle ship fully equipped. The Machinery Hall will be the largest ever built, and will furnish the best possible opportunity for display of the different transportation exhibits.

A building, as beautiful as can be erected of durable materials, will be dedicated to the carrying on and propagating, subsisting and display of water animals.

All heating and lighting, as far as possible, will be by electricity. Arrangements with the city of Chicago will be made to furnish the exposition with water.

The dimensions of the main buildings, as they now stand, are: Horticultural Hall, 200x1400 feet, fish, 125x1000; Government building, 200x300; general exhibit, 750x300; mines, 500x550; agriculture, 600x800; electricity, 500x550; machinery, 500x200; locomotive machinery, 500x800.

The entire plans are too elaborate to be given at one writing, but in scope and extensiveness they dwarf all expositions of the past, and when completed will form a work of which this generation of men may forever look back to

WITH PRIDE AND ADMIRATION.

J. C. Dandson, who has attended all the World's Fairs of his day, is working to erect a mammoth international coreligious pantheon. He proposes to erect a great circular steel and glass structure 1750 feet in diameter, surrounded again by smaller circular buildings from 575 to 458 feet in diameter. The main or center building to be allotted to the Christian religion, and the smaller buildings to other religions. Each church would contribute in turn to the grand spectacle. The Pope, Queen Victoria, the Emperor of China and the Czar of Russia would be invited. An exterior monster procession of 100 floats would represent the various events in the old and new testaments. There would be 10,000 animals, also 50,000 men, women and children, in line in historically correct costumes, illustrative of the incidents in the Bible, from Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden to Paul's shipwreck on the Island of Malta. Then would come a procession of processions, composed of one member from each Sunday-school in the world, bearing a flag and grouped by nations, States, cities and denominations. He would have the state carriage of Spain with the infant King, followed by 900 carriages containing 3600 babies under 4 years. (What squalling music would be there.) Also 10,000 men in historical costumes to represent the host of Israel and the siege of Jericho. He claims it will awaken an interest in Biblical history and attract many thousands of foreigners here. The accomplishing of such a scheme would be the connecting the days of "in the beginning" with those of the present and the anticipation of the looked-for millenium, when the wolf will lie down with the lamb, the sword be turned into a ploughshare and the children of men join with one accord in songs of thanksgiving and praise.

J. B. CAMPBELL.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Officers Surprise a Man While "Rolling a Drunk."

At an early hour yesterday morning; while Officers Dower and Callahan were patrolling the lower end of Sacramento street, they observed a man, who was evidently intoxicated, leaning against a box. Another man was standing close to him and the officers got in a doorway and watched. After a few minutes they saw the last-mentioned man throw the drunken man over the box and proceed to transfer the contents of his pockets to his own. After he had completed his work they ran over and arrested him.

At the North Harbor Station the prisoner gave his name as John Gebhart, and said that he only arrived here four weeks ago from New York. He was charged with robbery, and a watch, ring and $1 40 in coin that was found on him was booked against him as evidence. Matthew Kreuse, the man that he robbed, was held to appear against him in court to-day.

Mrs. Cooper's Bible Class.

At the opening of the Bible class in the First Congregational Church yesterday Mrs. Cooper said that active preparations were in progress, looking to the Christmas festivities of the children. Although it seemed like a formidable undertaking to prepare for over 2000 children, yet in point of fact the work can be as easily done as when we had but 200. The secret lies in specialization in organization. Every one to his post will make all things easy.

The endowment of the Stanford Kindergartens with $100,000 has lifted all anxiety from that branch of the work for all the future. Mrs. Grant has also made provision for her three kindergartens. Mrs. Pope has sent a fund of $5000 for hers. Mrs. Charles Lux and Mrs. B. F. Norris have arranged for theirs. Thus thirteen of our kindergartens are assured. There remains eleven others to be carried on, as before, by the donations and subscriptions of a generous-hearted public. An earnest plea was made for Christmas offerings.

The lesson was based upon "The Walk to Emmaus." A very interesting discussion followed the reading of the lesson, in which a large number of ladies and gentlemen took part.

NEW CABLE ROAD.

Two Cross-Town Lines Nearing Completion.

Work on the new engine house and the cross-town branch of the California-street Cable Railroad has made such progress that the company expects to commence business on the new line early in February or, if the present favorable conditions continue, the latter part of January. The road-bed from Jones and Market streets to Hyde street and the bay, and the short branch on O'Farrell street are complete, with the exception of one block on Hyde street, between Pine and California, where work is still going on in connection with the engine house.

With the exception of a small strip of land on the extreme southwest corner, the building will cover a full fifty-vara lot. It will be a three-story structure, handsomely designed, with pressed brick front and granite trimmings. On the Hyde-street side, however, in consequence of the difference in street grades, it will present the appearance of a two-story and basement structure. The walls are now about half way up, and already give an idea of the style of architecture which was adopted, as well as the care which is being taken to secure the building from damage by fire, earthquake or other destructive agencies.

The whole of the Hyde-street basement is to be occupied by the driving machinery. At present the main shaft and the immense sheave or driving pulley are the only machinery to be seen, but the preparations are complete for the reception of the engine, 40-ton fly-wheel, the four driving wheels, boilers and other paraphernalia belonging to the department. The immense weight to be put in here demanded that the floor should be of extraordinary strength. It is of solid concrete, twelve feet thick, capped at the points of greatest strain by blocks of granite firmly bolted into place by thick iron rods, which run to the bottom of the concrete foundation. The walls here are quite massive, and in order to make the compartments thoroughly fire-proof the ceiling is built of iron girders and brickwork, covered with a thick layer of concrete.

Immediately behind the engine-room is the depot of the California-street cars, with an entrance from that street. The cars for the new line will be housed above the engine-room, which will be reached by a slight incline from Hyde street. The rest of the building will be occupied as offices and shops for painting and repairs.

The most interesting feature of the establishment, when completed, will be the triple-expansion engine which is to supply the power. It will be the first of its kind ever introduced into a building on this Coast, though they are not entirely unknown here, as most of the ocean steamers are provided with them. By its means the loss of steam power will be reduced to a minimum by which a considerable saving will be effected in the running expenses. It was at first feared that the increased consumption of water would more than counterbalance the saving in power, as 15,000 gallons an hour would be required for the condenser. A way out of this difficulty has been arrived at by a simple contrivance whereby the scalding water will be pumped to the roof, cooled in shallow pans and used over and over again as needed. In this way 95 per cent of the water is saved, and an artesian well on the premises will more than supply the loss by evaporation and waste. Water, however, is considered of such value that a large concrete tank is provided in the basement to catch that which has been used in washing the cars, as well as the rainfall from the gutters. Not a drop of water that can be saved will be allowed to go to waste.

The cars for the new road are almost ready to be turned over to the company. They will be of the double-ender variety, the closed portion being in the center. They will be considerably lighter than the present cars, but, owing to the introduction of several mechanical devices, equally as strong. One marked difference between them and all other cable-cars will be the absence of the small front seat, which the management considers dangerous, because it frequently obstructs the gripman's view, and in case of a collision is even a source of danger to the occupant.

When the road is in operation cars will run alternately to the two new termini, and a single fare will pay for a passage to any part of the system.

DIFFERENCE OF MINDS.

It Is Greater Than Extremes of Outward Appearance.

Rev. Dr. Stebbins delivered an interesting discourse last evening at the First Unitarian Church, taking as the theme of his sermon the words of the prophet: "I am debtor both to the Greeks and the barbarians."

His introduction was to the effect that a religion for the world must be a religion for all changes of society, for all sorts and conditions of men, for the few and the many, the weak and the strong, because God is the author of religion and of the world, and it has been so since the beginning.

It has no country no more than gravitation has a country. It has dealt with power and poverty, distress and sorrow, the intellect and freedom.

Continuing in his discourse Dr. Stebbins spoke of the assertions made by some men, who understood religion very strangely, that it was dying out of the world and would have disappeared at a time already past. But that age has come and religion is as much needed now as ever. "I am with you to the end of the world."

The illustration of the text was the division made among men, but according to the prophet this separation, which divides outward conditions, is not so vast as that which exists in men's minds. Christianity never misses the issue; it never gets befogged in minor facts; it takes the citadel of the mind and recognizes that the difference of men is not in their outward appearance, but in their mind. The outward distinctions are not so strongly marked as in the mind. The contrasts of the minds of men are greater than the extremes of outward appearance, but not so great as between those who can know and see and those who cannot know or see. The difference is between what one class sees and what the other class cannot see, nor ever will be able to see.

VETERANS' HOME.

All the New Improvements Will Be Completed This Month.

The regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Veterans' Home Association was held yesterday at the home at Yountville. The Directors present were: Messrs. Watts, Mann, Ruddick, Smith, Hobbert, Deal and Secretary Rockwell. In the absence of the President Director Deal presided over the meeting.

The Commandant's report showed that the present number of inmates was 254, of whom 23 were sick in the hospital or in their quarters. During the past month 4 deaths occurred at the home, old age being the cause in each case.

Bills amounting to $2400 were audited and ordered paid.

The new hospital building was inspected and found to be nearly completed, and will be ready for occupancy before the close of the year. The work has been done in a most satisfactory manner, and the Directors complimented the contractors, W. P. Corbett & Sons of Napa, very highly. When the hospital and the addition to the main quarters are finished there will be room for 100 additional inmates, of whom there are a large number anxiously waiting admission. The new buildings will be dedicated by the Directors before the 1st of January next.

The reservoir is also nearly completed. It will have a capacity of 200,000 gallons, and will afford perfect protection against fire, besides furnishing what additional water supplies are needed at the home.

The general health and morale of the inmates was found to be most satisfactory by the Directors, and the condition of the home reported by them as having never been better than now.

Church Officers.

An election of officers was held yesterday by the Congregation Nevah-Zedek at their synagogue on Golden Gate avenue and resulted as follows: A. L. Mayer, President; M. Levy, Vice-President; A. L. Peiser, Treasurer; G. W. Stampers, Secretary; D. Davis, Collector; Trustees—D. Harris, I. Berg, G. Simon, J. L. Lavinberg, Philip Phillips. With the exception of the Secretary and Trustees the officers all succeed themselves.

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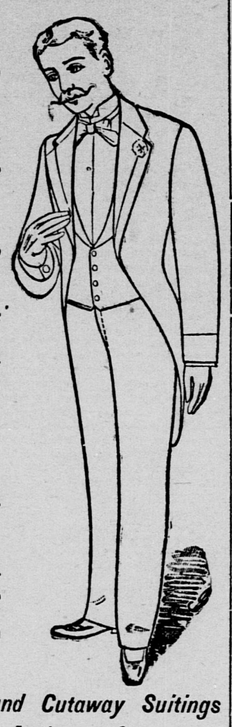

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INTERIOR TOWNS.

A Collection of Items of Interest From Various Points.

The Spraying of Fruit Trees—Pruning the Vines—Effect of the Glorious Rain—Plowing.

Editor Morning Call: The very welcome rain has come. Tuesday last the wind began to blow in the forenoon, rising to quite a gale by midnight, when the rain fell in torrents, and up to Friday morning more than two inches had fallen—quite an unusual amount for the first storm of the season. The dusty roads and the dry and dustier orchards are things of the past. Farmers are busy pruning and soon will be ready to plow and put in a bit of "garden truck."

So much has been said and written lately about the subject of spraying that your correspondent concluded to look up the matter and find out just what the farmers of this section had done and were going to do. The orchardists of this neighborhood are a progressive sort of people, and believe in experimenting until they find out just what they consider the best plan, and then to go ahead, regardless of advice from theoretical writers. While the writer of this article is a practical fruit-grower, the facts presented are not intended as advice, but as a summing up of results obtained by the different growers in the vicinity by the different methods used. The scale was evidently brought into this section by an infected lot of orange trees, which were brought from Los Angeles some eight or nine years ago, and it has only been within the past three or four years that the orchards generally became infected, so the manner of ridding the orchards of this pest is a new one to the farmer in this section. The same spray that is used upon the orange trees in the southern part of the State does not seem to answer for other trees. The apricot and peach were the first to be attacked, but this year they are found on the plum and prune as well, while sometimes a few may be seen upon a stray cherry or nut or even a fig, and it will be only a matter of another season when all trees will be equally covered.

Of twenty-two orchards personally inspected, with the aid of a good microscope, but one, a young ten-acre peach orchard on sandy bottom land, was clean, it had never been sprayed; one other, a mixed eight-acre young orchard, was also almost clean, one or two only being found, it had been sprayed in January with the soda and potash wash, half a pound of each to three gallons of water; one large mixed orchard, old and young trees, had never been sprayed and was literally covered; of the others, nine had been sprayed late, in the last of January or first of February, with soda and potash, half a pound of each to four or five gallons of water, and were even worse than last season; three had been sprayed in December and January with insecticide, one pound to four or five gallons of water, and were in good condition, comparatively clean; the others were hard to classify, sometimes the peaches were clean and apricots bad, and sometimes vice versa. As the scale has only hatched out within the past three or four weeks, many were sure they had none, the old ones were dead, but a close inspection usually brought them to view.

The general opinion seemed to be that either wash would do the work if carefully applied. It must be in calm weather, neither too hot nor damp; must be applied either in December or January for the first time, and ought to be ½ pound of caustic soda and ½ pound of caustic potash, 95 per cent each, to 3 gallons of water, or 1 pound of the insecticide to 4 gallons of water. Neither wash can be applied later than the middle of February, as it will burn the tender twigs when sap is in them. The cost of these washes is about the same, from 8 to 10 cents a tree, which is a heavy expense, aside from the pumps and labor necessary. Several farmers are intending to experiment with different washes this season and the results will be watched with the greatest interest. One gentleman intends to try a wash made from a decoction of tobacco, another a wash made from gum-tree leaves and another with a preparation which is said to work well in other districts but has never been tried here. A cheap and effective wash is to be desired and one that does not burn the worker at his labors.

There are twenty or more orchards in the immediate neighborhood which were not examined, and it is only fair to state that they are probably all of them affected, though possibly not as badly as they are across the creek—are younger and are on newer land. The result of this season's spraying will be watched carefully. Farmers are busily pruning, and one or two have finished and have already sprayed with perfect success. The sooner the work is done the more successful will be the results.

A most interesting entertainment was given in the Town Hall last Friday night by the Spare Minute Circle—a genuine imported minstrel troupe, the members of which were gentlemen who have attained reputations in entirely different lines of business. There were one or two good selections of instrumental music, a song or so, recitations and Schiller's "Lay of the Bell," given as a set of dramatic or acting tableaux, which was very fine. Those especially deserving of mention are Miss Edith Turnor, who sang "The Maiden's Song" in one of the tableaux; Miss Edith Miner of Oakland, who gave several exceedingly good recitations, and Charles Y. de Smyth (William Farwell), who gave "Brother Gardner's Lecture." The proceeds netted a snug little sum, which is to be added to the Parsonage Fund.

There has been a great deal of sickness in and about Niles the past month or more, and the change in the weather will no doubt purify the air and restore us all to our normal healthy state.

The second crop of grapes have ripened this season to perfection, on account of the long weeks of summery weather, and are still on the vines in abundance; especially fine ones are found in Loring Pickering's vineyard. The last few figs still linger on the trees, looking queer enough clinging to bare twigs from which the wind has shaken every leaf. Oranges are ripening, about two weeks late they are in this section, and so the season swings round, for before the last orange will have ripened berries will be here and in May cherries again, so throughout the different fruits follow each other in rapid succession.

The Ladies' Guild will hold a bazaar about December 15th, the proceeds to be devoted to the Parsonage Fund.

The Cotillion Club will give their next invitation party, which will be a german, December 26th, the evening after Christmas.

Niles, Dec. 6, 1890. MRS L. E. THANE.

Centreville.

Editor Morning Call: This is one of the pioneer fruit regions of California. Long before the gold fever had brought the eager rush of would-be millionaires to this Coast, our little town was in its incipiency, with a fertile agricultural region about it, and the agriculturists of Centreville and vicinity were among the first to plow up their grain fields and transform them into orchards, when the first fruit promise of California's future province as fruit-grower for the nation began to be manifest. The past season has been a most successful one for fruit-raisers, and Centrevillites are, accordingly, in an unusually complaisant frame of mind this fall. We are looking for a continuance of the good times, and the prospects are that we will not be disappointed. Some anxiety has been felt lately as to whether we were ever going to have wind enough again to turn the mills and fill the tanks, that for some weeks have only been supplied by the arduous method of hand-pumping, a process which, as many of our citizens are prepared to testify, is pre-eminently conducive to a weariness to the flesh and that peculiar sensation in the lumbar region commonly known as a "crick in the back." Tuesday night, however, the welcome breeze made its appearance, and it was not long before the merry clatter of the windmills made "music in the air." Borne upon the wings of the south wind, came, too, the welcome rain, which means so much in this section. It laid the dust, cleared the air, and was eagerly drunk up by the parched earth. There has been, this year, a precipitation of 1.56, a modest showing as compared with the 8 inches or more that had visited us at this time last year. However, we have no fault to find. The rain was very good what there was of it, and there was enough of it such as it was.

The storm very considerately cleared away just in time to give the ladies of St. James Parish a beautiful day and pleasant evening for their long-planned-for annual bazaar, which occurred last Friday afternoon and evening and proved an enjoyable and successful affair. The four seasons were represented in the various booths and the Town Hall presented a very brilliant appearance. Spring appeared as the first booth on the left and was represented as a beautiful bower, where Mesdames H. E. Mosher, Frank Jarvis, John A. Bunting and M. Davis had for sale a number of useful and elegant articles that found plenty of buyers.

In another corner a dainty sail-boat symbolized one of the delights of summer and formed the graceful booth where Mrs. Crothers and Mrs. R. Rockwell presided over a well-filled counter of fancy articles and took in plenty of round dollars in exchange therefor.

Opposite the summer booth was a truly autumnal arbor, where, beneath its hanging vines, that were deeply tinged with autumn's brilliant hues, Mrs. Charles Sutherland did a rushing trade, assisted by Mrs. A. Cameron, Mrs. Mayhew and Miss Knapp.

A snow-covered house at the right of the entrance presented a typical winter scene. Here Mrs. Howard Overacker acted as hostess, assisted by Mrs. T. G. Crump and our charming Eastern visitor, Mrs. Dickson. A Christmas tree in the corner was a pretty and realistic touch, and the holiday toys and gifts which were here offered for sale found a ready market.

On the stage was the refreshment booth, where were served ice-cream, coffee and the delicious cake which our ladies are such adepts in concocting.

Dancing was the order of the evening, and was entered into by the young people in a spirit of complete enjoyment of the occasion. The music was provided by Marino Bros. of San Francisco. Quite a substantial amount was realized, which will be devoted to church purposes.

A number of our citizens organized last week a lodge of the order of Knights of Pythias. It will be known as Centreville Lodge, No. 170, and already boasts of twenty-six members. Our recently organized parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West is getting into good working order, and as we have also a Masonic Lodge, the mystic ties are well represented here.

A sad event this week has been the death in San Leandro of Mrs. W. F. B. Lynch. Mr. and Mrs. Lynch had but recently removed to San Leandro, where our old friend and esteemed citizen had been persuaded, after a season of rest, to reassume the charge of the Presbyterian Church. The Lynches have resided in Centreville and vicinity since the early '60's, and Mrs. Lynch leaves a large circle of friends here who will sincerely mourn her loss.

Mrs. Charles Sutherland gave a charming luncheon Wednesday in honor of Mrs. Dickson. The guests were: Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Charles A. Plummer, Mrs. T. G. Crump, Mrs. Howard Jarvis, Mrs. Howard Overacker, Mrs. H. E. Mosher, Mrs. J. A. Bunting, Mrs. Hunt, Miss James.

Centreville, Dec. 5, 1890. C. C.

Mission San Jose.

Editor Call: The past week has been a very quiet one at the Mission. A very acceptable rain has been one of its incidents, and while it made getting about highly unpleasant it was so greatly needed that no one has minded the slight inconvenience it has entailed upon us.

No small amount of improvement is going on here in anticipation of the wet season. Mr. Black, our re-elected roadmaster, is performing faithfully the duties of his position, and our roads are being well graveled. The walk from the town to the Congregational Church has also received a generous supply of gravel, an improvement which our people will greatly appreciate. Mr. Gibbons is also laying a new sidewalk in front of his property, and the outlook is that Missionites will walk high and dry this winter.

The oncoming of the rain drove back to town this week quite a number of our summer residents, who, tempted by the prolonged fair weather, have lingered unwontedly in the shadow of the peak, enjoying our delightful climate and beautiful scenery and drives.

The McIver family left on Thursday to spend the winter in the East. They will pass the greater part of the winter in Detroit, Mich. Their anticipated departure was delayed somewhat by the illness of their little daughter, Staffney, which promised to be serious, but the little one is now restored to health.

There is quite an amount of sickness among our little people just now. Dr. Young's little daughter Ethel has been very ill with scarlet fever, but is now somewhat better. Dr. Allen has been in daily attendance on the case. Dennis Driscoll also is confined to the house by the measles, which is very prevalent at present among the children.

Grape pruning was halted for a short time by the rain, but will be resumed at once. The vintage has, after all, exceeded expectations this year, and a large amount of wine has been made hereabouts, the Gallegos Company alone having made over 600,000 gallons. They have been very successful with their sweet wines and have some labels that after a little will rank high. Mr. McIver's claret has established quite a name for itself East and is in excellent demand. That pioneer wine-maker of Alameda County, J. W. Musser, superintended the vintage for Senor Gallegos this year and has made his home at the Gallegos residence during the season. Mr. Musser has been making wine in this section since 1852, and the impression is pretty prevalent that what he does not know on this subject will not soon be learned by any other man in the vicinity.

James Stanley has filed his bonds as Public Administrator. His sureties are: Peter McKenna, $5000; William Gibbons, Constant Sigrist, George Stanley, James Black, John Redding, John Dugan, F. C. Jarvis, H. E. Mosher and A. S. de Escobar, each in the sum of $3000; Howard Overacker, $7500, and T. H. Downie, $2500. A. E.

Mission San Jose, Dec. 6, 1890.

AT HEALDSBURG.

The Rainfall in Sonoma County—General News.

Editor Morning Call: "This is a glorious rain," is the exclamation heard on all sides. Farmers, fruit-growers, vegetablemen and merchants all unite on this point, that this timely downpour is of incalculable good to the valley, and wasn't it a downpour! No defective roof escaped and many were the unthought of leaks discovered the next morning. Three inches of rain fell between 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and 8 o'clock Wednesday morning. Thursday and Friday the storm had apparently cleared away, and our people fearful of what the distant clouds portended were hurrying to get in their winter stores and Christmas goods, so that our streets presented the appearance of a circus day, much to the delight of our merchants.

Several years ago a heavy rain set in and continued for the whole week preceding Christmas. Streams were swollen, roads were impassable in places, and the result of procrastination was that merchants were left with large stocks of holiday goods on hand and many stockings were left unfilled. Since then the wise Santa Claus takes time by the forelock, so to speak, and our dealers and the children are correspondingly happy.

This rain has been sufficient to start every plow in the county, the thrifty husbandman has improved the pleasant weather by repairing his fences, putting new hinges on his barn-doors, straightening the toppling shed, etc., and can now follow his plow with no thought of duties left undone, and with pleasant visions of the harvest to come.

The sympathy of the whole community was aroused last Monday morning when the death of Mrs. E. S. Mason was announced. A devoted wife, a loving mother, her death, after so short an illness, was sad indeed. Her daughter, Miss Mattie Mason, is one of our most valued teachers in the Public School Department of Healdsburg.

Another sad death has occurred. One who died far from her home and loved ones, yet who received the kindest and most loving care from those who were strangers, yet friends indeed. Miss M. J. Stoddard died at the residence of J. R. Reynolds last Tuesday morning. She had been teaching the Dry Creek School, but was taken ill and resigned her position. Her condition was not considered dangerous until toward the last. Her remains were embalmed and sent to her sorrowing relatives in Johnson, Vermont. Miss Stoddard was highly educated, and had an air of gentle breeding that endeared her to all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance.

Mrs. J. W. Bond and her little daughter Lola have gone to Reno, Nev., on a visit to the mother of Mrs. Bond, who has been very ill.

The mother of Dr. Grove is enjoying a pleasant visit with her son and his family.

Asa Berdson of Alameda has been visiting his mother and brother in Healdsburg.

Miss Charlotte Hahman has resumed her duties in the Dry Creek school, after spending Thanksgiving Day with her family in Santa Rosa. This young lady is giving such excellent satisfaction that it is a source of regret to both children and parents that she does not wish to accept the school for another term.

There was a very enjoyable time in the rooms of the Hook and Ladder Company of the Healdsburg Fire Department Thursday night. The occasion was the raffling of a handsome piece of needle-work, representing a swan on a lake, the whole neatly framed. There were refreshments, felicitous speeches, etc. Albert Smith was the fortunate winner of the prize, and as he was one of the most earnest workers the result was well received.

Our young people are looking forward to a most delightful time on Christmas night. There is to be a bal-masque under the auspices of Sotoyome Parlor, N. S. G. W., and its success is assured, for there is no such word as fail in the Native Son's vocabulary. The following officers were elected at their regular meeting last Monday night: President, Albert W. Garrett; First Vice-President, S. P. Cavanaugh; Second Vice-President, S. Hilgerloh; Third Vice-President, Will E. Reese; Marshal, H. Thompson.

The Knights of Honor is one of the most prosperous of the beneficiary orders of Healdsburg. At the recent election the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing term: Dictator, Andrew Price; Vice-Dictator, Guy Wolcott; Assistant Dictator, Paris Ferguson; Reporter, O. L. Soules; Financial Reporter, H. W. McLean; Treasurer, R. H. Warfield; Chaplain, A. A. York; Guide, Dr. Wilcox; Guardian, James Seawell; Sentinel, W. S. Dudley; Past Dictator, S. J. Hall. PAN.

Healdsburg, Dec. 6, 1890.

SOMETHING TO LAUGH AT.

He (at 11:55 at night)—I declare the lamp is going out! She—Yes. The lamp seems to have some idea of time.—Harper's Bazar.

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More clearly expressed.—A poet says that a baby is "a new wave on the ocean of life." It strikes us that "a fresh squall" would express the idea better.

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"The path to the cow barn," says the Maine Farmer, "is the road to success." It is evident that the Maine Farmer believes in a stable government.—Boston Transcript.

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Hicks—I suppose after these Indians have finished their dancing they'll go to scalping. Yes, and just as it is with the palace ball, you'll find the bald heads at the front.—Boston Transcript.

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"I came here," said the youth to the Boston girl, "for a little rest and peace of mind." "Ah," said she. "You appear to have the piece of mind; when do you expect to get the rest?"—New York Sun.

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"I am sorry to learn your mother is ill," said the sympathizing teacher to the little girl who had come in late. "Is she sick abed?" "Not quite," replied the truthful child. "She's just sick asofa."—Chicago Tribune.

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Beggar (to gentleman)—Can't you give a poor man a penny? Gentleman—Haven't any change now. Will be back this way, soon. Beggar—Ah, sir, it's giving credit to men like you that keeps me poor.—Spare Moments.

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"Aint they rather strange names for dogs?" "Not at all. I've named them from their literary suggestiveness. I call one Edwin Drood, because his tail is cut off short, and the other Howells."—Philadelphia Times.

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Way Ahead—A grain of musk will scent a room for forty years, while the odor of a skunk let loose in a country meeting-house in Arkansas can be got rid of in thirty days. This proves that the skunk is nothing to boast of.—Detroit Free Press.

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Ella Wheeler Wilcox, in a poem, says: "I'll call September nothing but September." That's sensible. To call September January or July would do the month injustice: but we don't care a nickel what she calls March. It deserves it.—Norristown Herald.

Dr. Koch was until ten years ago an obscure country physician. His practice and his reputation did not extend beyond the limits of the little town of Wolistein, a place so small and unimportant that it is only with much difficulty that it can be found upon the map.

Instantaneous photographs of coaching parties on the Isle of Wight are taken at the start and sold to passengers on their return in the evening.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TO HOTEL KEEPERS.

TO SECURE FOR THE PUBLIC AMPLE FIRST-class hotel accommodations at Eastland, or, as perhaps better known, Mill Valley, at the base of Mount Tamalpais, 20 miles from Sausalito, the Tamalpais Land and Water Company will lease for a term of years to approved parties, at a nominal rent, with option of purchase if desired, two extensive and desirable hotel sites, with plenty of room for surrounding cottages.

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The present railroad service is four trains daily each way, with extras for Sundays and holidays, and the service will be increased to keep pace with increase of population, permanent or transient.

The requirements are that the hotels shall open by 1st April, 1891, and that on one of the sites accommodations shall be furnished for at least 100 table-boarders and 50 lodgers, and at the other site for at least 50 boarders and 25 lodgers. All buildings to be constructed on plans and with specifications approved by the Directors of the company. No spirituous or malt intoxicating liquors, wine or cider to be manufactured, sold or given away on the premises. It is estimated and can be demonstrated that accommodation will be in demand by ten times the numbers above mentioned. One of the proposed sites is just above the Corte Madera Creek, from the well-known hotel at Blithedale, the capacity of which to entertain guests has been taxed to the utmost for many years; particularly has this been the case during the season now current. None need apply but those having command of means and of established and desirable reputations as landlords or landladies.

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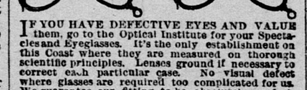

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