THROUGH A BRIDGE.

Accident to a Freight Train on the Southern Pacific.

Loaded Cars Thrown Into a Stream and Dashed to Splinters.

A Lively Contest Between Candidates for the United States Senate Before the Idaho Legislature.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

ALBANY (Oregon), Dec. 16.—The southbound freight train on the Southern Pacific, due here at 2 o'clock this afternoon, went through a bridge one mile north of the city at 4 o'clock. The train was two hours late. A force of bridge carpenters were repairing the bridge, and several ties were yet to be spiked, leaving the rails without support for a short distance, when the delayed train approached. Two torpedoes and a flag had been put out to warn the train of danger, but when the signals were reached the engineer was unable to stop the train. As the bridge went down the engine was supported by the rails sufficiently to carry it across, and it plunged up on the embankment on the opposite side, still remaining in an upright position on the ties and displaced rails.

Three flat cars, one loaded with railroad iron and two with lumber, fell into the stream twenty feet below and were crushed into splinters. The remaining portion of the train was detached and stopped upon the brink. No one received the slightest injury. The fireman says the danger signals were put too near the bridge, the torpedoes being placed 1440 feet away and the flag 450 nearer the bridge. The foreman says the signals were at the usual distance. The bridge was being rebuilt and had new piling and timbers. The track is torn up for a distance of 250 feet. The engine is not badly damaged. A wrecking train was sent to the scene and a force of men commenced at once to repair the break. They expect to have the road repaired in time for trains to pass over in the morning. Passenger trains will lay over at the break until it is repaired.

SENATORIAL CANDIDATES.

A Bitter Contest Threatened in the Idaho Legislature.

BOISE CITY (Idaho), Dec. 16.—W. H. Claggett, W. J. McConnell and J. R. Delamar, candidates for the United States Senate from Northern Idaho, yesterday addressed an open letter to the Republican members of the Legislature and to Governor G. L. Shoup and Fred T. Dubois. They assert that the Republicans are at a deadlock on the Senatorial question, and that the complication arises largely from the fact that the Legislature is called upon to elect three United States Senators at the present session. They propose as a solution of the problem that when the Joint Convention meets Wednesday, the 17th, the voting for Senators shall proceed until from among the various candidates two Senators shall be elected—one from North Idaho and one from South Idaho—to fill two vacancies now existing, and that the election of a third Senator for the full term commencing March 4, 1891, shall, by resolution passed by the two houses acting separately, be postponed until after those elected to fill the existing vacancies shall have reached Washington and drawn for the long and short term.

Governor Shoup and Dubois replied they were not authorized to speak for the members of the Legislature, but they proposed as a counter proposition that the Republicans go into caucus and all the parties submit to the majority vote of the caucus.

The proposition was not accepted by the northern men, and it is now probable a bitter contest will ensue.

DETERMINED BURGLARS.

A Safe Blown Open and Rifled at Michigan Bar.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 16.—On last Friday night the safe in the store of John Heath at Michigan Bar was blown open. The safe had resisted three similar attacks in years gone by, but the burglars seemed determined to do a successful job this time. Crowbars, chisels and a sledgehammer were taken from the village blacksmith-shop and an entrance to the brick building was effected by prying off the iron doors. The knobs of the door of the safe were knocked off with the sledgehammer and holes were bored through the door, into which a large amount of powder was stuffed. The explosion not only blew off both the inner and outer doors of the safe, but the small office in which the safe was located was almost completely wrecked, the glass being shattered and the light partitions broken. The thieves took the iron drawer containing coin to the banks of a creek, where they stopped and divided the booty. The amount secured was $600. There were a number of notes and checks in the safe, but these were not molested. The robbers rather overdid the thing, as a considerable amount of gold dust was scattered over the floor by the force of the explosion and, of course, they could not get away with it. The next day the precious particles were swept up and "panned out." There is no clew to the perpetrators of the robbery, but they were probably the same individuals who blew open the safe at Sutter Creek, Amador County, a week or so ago.

FOR DEFENDANT.

Decision in the Contempt Case Brought Against the Sacramento Bee.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 16.—Judge A. J. Buckles of Solano, who sat in the contempt case brought against the managers of the Bee at the instance of the parties boycotting that paper, to-day rendered a decision in favor of the Bee. In the suit for a preliminary injunction against the boycotters before Judge Armstrong, the facts alleged in the complaint of the Bee were conceded for the purposes of the action, and, after argument, the matter was taken under advisement by the Judge. The Bee published November 12th, while the matter was under advisement, a number of affidavits showing facts of the boycott taken under instructions of the court, but rendered unnecessary because the facts of the complaint were conceded. When the boycotters were arrested for disobeying the order of the court they retorted by having the Bee managers arrested for this publication, claiming that it was done to corruptly influence the decision of Judge Armstrong. Judge Buckles holds that as the facts of the complaint were admitted, and no question being before the court on that issue, the affidavits could not have influenced the court, and no such intent was shown.

SEVERE STORM.

Accident to a Captain—Vessels Compelled to Return to Port.

SEATTLE (Wash.), Dec. 16.—The bark Charles B. Kenny, on her way to San Francisco from Seattle with a cargo of coal, was struck by a storm suddenly soon after leaving Cape Flattery, and had a perilous time. Captain Johnson, master of the vessel, was thrown under the wheel and his leg broken. The Kenny was taken back to Port Townsend, where the captain received medical attention.

The bark Ferris S. Thompson, Captain Howard, was in the straits in tow of the tug Mongul when she was reached by the storm. The cyclone struck the vessel broadside on, and nearly threw her on her beam ends. Her cargo of lumber shifted, and she was unable to proceed. The tug brought her back to Port Angeles, where her cargo is being righted. The storm came on very suddenly and the Thompson was nearly capsized.

The storm of the last two days has done some damage to the work of railroad construction along the sound.

VACAVILLE FRUIT.

A Large Increase in the Value of Shipments Over the Preceding Season.

VACAVILLE, Dec. 16.—According to a statement, published in the Enterprise, during the season of 1890 662 cars of green and dried fruit were shipped to Eastern points. Of these 559 were green and 103 dried. The latter were divided as follows: Apricots, 35 car-loads; peaches, 23; prunes, 16; raisins, 11; grapes, 5; nectarines, 4; peeled peaches, 2; pears, 2; figs, 2; sundry small lots, 1. In addition to this fully 1000 car-loads of green and dried fruits were shipped to San Francisco and other local points. There are yet remaining in the valley, according to the estimate of J. & I. Blum, wholesale dried-fruit merchants, about 3 cars of raisins, 1 of apricots and 5 of peaches. The returns from this amount of fruit, according to the best estimates, place the net income, after freight and commissions are deducted, very close to $1,250,000, or an average income of $150 per acre. The previous season showed a net return of less than one-third of this amount.

FOUND DEAD.

A Clergyman Struck Down While on His Way to Church.

SAN ANDREAS, Dec. 16.—Rev. E. Swinford, a Methodist preacher, living at Jenny Lind, was found dead between here and the North Branch this afternoon. The Coroner's inquest, held this evening, resulted in a verdict that deceased came to his death by a stroke of apoplexy, while on his way to attend church at San Andreas.

Reward for a Missing Man.

YREKA, Dec 16.—Frederick Koester, the German, the cause of whose disappearance is still a mystery, was last seen last Thursday evening, about 4 o'clock, about three miles from home, walking rapidly toward Oregon. His friends say that there is no evidence of foul play on the part of the Chinese miners or anybody else. His son, Henry Koester, of this place, offers a reward of $100 and all expenses for news as to his whereabouts, dead or alive. He is 70 years old, near six feet tall, with very gray hair and rather short gray beard. When last seen he wore a brown canvas coat, much weather-worn, with overalls of the same color and No. 10 boots.

Gunning Accident.

VACAVILLE, Dec. 16.—Yesterday afternoon, while Joseph Collins, a prominent orchardist, was out hunting, in attempting to cross a creek in Gates Canyon he slipped on some bowlders and both barrels of his double-barreled shotgun were discharged. The entire load of one barrel entered the front part of his left leg just above the knee, producing a wound about as deep and thick as a man's hand, cutting the flesh completely away to the bone. Medical aid was summoned as soon as possible and the wounded man conveyed home. No serious results are at present apprehended, although in all probability Collins will be badly crippled.

Fate of a Missing Heir.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 16.—Two months ago Chief Drew of this city received a letter from Chehalis, Wash., requesting him to search for Henry Mason Gates, a young man who had been missing from there and was last heard of from here, nearly three years ago. Gates was one of several heirs to a $16,000 estate. Chief Drew found the persons who had seen Gates, but none within the last year. He finally discovered that Gates died in the County Hospital in 1888.

Hard Characters in Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 16.—There are many hard characters in town who have been driven in from the surrounding country by cold weather. A number of burglaries and highway robberies have been reported. A few nights ago three men garroted a woman named Mrs. Search, robbing her of $16, all the money she possessed.

Safe Burglarized.

PORTLAND, Dec. 16.—Chief of Police Parrish to-day received a telegram from Muckle Bros. dealers in general merchandise at St. Helen, Oregon, stating that last night burglars entered their store and blew open a safe, rifling it of its contents. It is stated the burglars secured about $2000 in cash and papers and notes to the value of $18,000. No clew has yet been discovered.

Escape of Prisoners.

TACOMA, Dec. 16.—Robert Burnett, alias Robert Hilans, and John Dermott escaped from the United States Penitentiary at McNeil's Island to-day. Burnett was under a sentence of two years for smuggling opium and had served but a few months. Dermott was awaiting trial for breaking open a bonded car in Tacoma. The men made their escape by cutting a hole in the roof of the jail.

Municipal Election.

ASHLAND, Dec. 16.—The city election held to-day resulted in the selection of the following officers: Mayor, G. M. Grainger; Councilmen—O. Ganiard, E. J. Farmow, Sylvester Patterson; Recorder, Milton Berry; Treasurer, E. V. Cator; Marshal, William Mayfield; Street Commissioner, William Nelson; Surveyor, M. L. McCall.

TERRIBLY MANGLED.

A Chinaman's Limbs Crushed by a Falling Branch of a Tree.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 16.—Ah Sung, a Chinaman, was brought over from Washington to-day and given a cot in the Receiving Hospital. Both of his legs are horribly mangled, and the unfortunate man insisted that he was going to die, a prophecy that will doubtless come to pass. One foot was literally torn off at the ankle, and above it the leg was mangled and the bones frightfully broken. The other leg was also horribly mutilated. When the poor fellow was being brought over in an open express wagon on a stretcher he preserved a stolid demeanor and his features showed no signs of pain, although he must have suffered terribly. After he was placed upon a cot in the hospital he began to exclaim despondently: "Me heap die; me heap die." Subsequently he wanted the jailer to kill him, and tried to tell of the awful pain he suffered. Ah Sung was engaged in cutting an enormous limb from a cottonwood tree in Washington. He was in the tree some distance above the ground and had the branch about cut through, and it seemed about to fall from him, when of a sudden a draft of wind seemed to catch it and it fell upon him, crushing him as described.

SATISFACTORY RESULT.

Official Test of the Capacity of the Santa Cruz Water Works.

SANTA CRUZ, Dec. 16.—An official test of the capacity of the new City Water Works, for the purposes of fire protection, was made to-day under the supervision of P. W. Barton, Surveyor of the Pacific Coast Insurance Union. Mr. Barton's arrival was unexpected, and the firemen were called upon without previous drill or participation. The first hose attached showed a pressure at the nozzle of ninety pounds and additional couplings were made until five streams were playing at once, without showing any diminution of the pressure. Two lines of hose, each 500 feet in length, were attached to one hydrant, and the two streams reached far above the highest building in town. Water was reached from the hydrant in five seconds, showing a pressure of seventy pounds at the outlet. A stream passing through 500 feet of hose was thrown 130 feet in a horizontal direction; its perpendicular height could only be estimated, but there was no difficulty in drenching the gilded ball on top of the flagstaff on the Masonic Temple. The insurance men present expressed themselves as highly pleased, and the citizens were enthusiastic over the display made.

An Equivalent for Suicide.

If we allow our bodily infirmities to make away with us through neglect, have we such an immense moral advantage over the deliberate suicide? Scarcely. For example, the deadly progress of Bright's disease, diabetes, acute nephritis and gravel is sure—often terribly swift in the catastrophe. Most people of average information know that this is the simple, unvarnished truth in regard to those widely prevalent maladies. To delay judicious medication is specially suicidal in such cases. The means of restraint is to be found in Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Give an impetus to the action of the kidneys with this safe and reliable diuretic, and the infant complaint is shorn at its birth of the power for evil. Allow it to grow, and anticipate the worst. The Bitters, which annihilates these growing troubles, also eradicates dyspepsia, rheumatism, malarial and liver complaints. Appetite, sleep and vigor are also promoted by it. 51

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CORBETT—SLAVIN.

Their Contest Is All Dependent Upon Futurity.

Comments on Godfrey and Kilrain—The Oakland Athletic Clubs—Olympic Billiard Tournament.

Although it has been reported that a match between Corbett and Slavin was ratified by the California Club to take place in June next, the manager of the California pugilist, Mr. Strenzel, has been puzzling his brains to locate the person or persons who have received any information from Slavin as regards a meeting with Corbett in this city or any other city in America.

Joe Thompson has cabled Slavin from this city asking him if he would meet Corbett, but as yet no answer has been received; neither has the California Club received any news from the Australian. As matters stand there can be no reliance placed on the reported rumors of a match between Corbett and Slavin, although the former has informed the California Club that he would fight the Australian according to the terms offered him by President Fulda.

Slavin has yet to be heard from, and no reliance can be placed on any published reports until the California Club announces authoritatively that Francis Patrick Slaven has cabled or written the club to bind a match of this kind.

RELIANCE CLUB OF OAKLAND.

The Reliance Athletic Club of Oakland has arranged for a musicale to be given at its rooms on Twelfth and Washington streets to-morrow evening. The Secretary of the club states that preparations for the whist tournament have also been completed. Entries will close on the evening of January 1st, and the contests will be begun on January 24th. Each set of players will play with every other set, and the points made will then be counted up, and the set having the greatest number will be adjudged the winner. A committee has been appointed to arrange for a series of tournaments of an athletic and social nature, which will include billiards, euchre, crib, etc. The committee consists of P. H. Remillard, J. H. Ameus and S. G. Dunbar. The club has received several applications for membership since the initiation fee was reduced to $5.

LIVELY FOOT-BALL.

The foot-ball game played last Saturday on the Presidio grounds left some of the contestants with maimed anatomies. Seven of the soldiers who struggled hard to gain a victory over their clever opponents have been in the army hospital nursing wounds received on the field. Doctor Jerome Gardner received a heavy shock in a collision with one of the heavy-weight kickers from the garrison. He was playing full back for Oakland at the time he encountered the stalwart soldier, and although he succeeded in grassing his man amid great applause, he was knocked unconscious and remained in a state of stupor until the following morning. Jones of Oakland proved to be the best tackler on the field and Benwell of Troy the best runner. A return game will be played when the athletes have sufficiently recovered from the effects of the severe handling and the bruises they sustained in their encounter with mother earth.

ATHLETICS ACROSS THE BAY.

The Alameda Olympic Club proposes to inaugurate new fields of sport now that an energetic board of officers have been elected to conduct the club's athletic affairs. The Directors contemplate renting the great pavilion in Neptune Gardens, which is 100x200 feet. Last Friday evening the club gave an entertainment at the Park Opera House, which was largely attended.

The Acme Club of Oakland is quietly considering the proposition of securing new quarters, although some of the members contend that if the hand-ball court was removed from the exercising-room it would be found large enough for card and social purposes.

THE BOATING CLUBS.

Boating in Alameda is becoming a very popular pastime. Only very recently a first-class boat club was organized, and another boat club, which promises to be one now existing, has been formed, with several influential citizens of Alameda as members. The new organization will have headquarters at the foot of Grand street.

The Dolphin Boating and Swimming Club will meet the representatives of the San Francisco Yacht Club some evening this week to perfect arrangements for the proposed amalgamation of clubs.

The Turn Section of the Verein Eintracht has made application for membership to the P. C. A. A. A. There are several first-class gymnasts among the Turners who could contribute very materially to the success of the Olympic Club, especially during its gymnastic tournament in February next.

The entries for the handicap billiard tournament of the Olympic Club are coming in fast, and the committee, consisting of Messrs. Russ and Forsyth, who have the management of the tournament, state that it will be, in the way of billiards, the greatest success the club has ever achieved. The contests will take place after the holidays.

CORBETT AND SLAVIN.

Jim Corbett and his backer, Stenzel, will be among the party of San Franciscans who will leave this city in January to see the Dempsey-Fitzsimmons fight at New Orleans. Corbett says that he will be prepared to meet Slavin in the California Club in May or June next.

When Corbett severs his connection with the Olympic Club as its instructor of boxing, his probable successor will be De Witt Van Court, who has been the professor's assistant for over a year. Van Court, who is very popular, is an excellent sparer.

Paddy Smith, the light-weight pugilist, has quit the ring and is now a member of the Seattle Fire Department. The first chance Paddy gets to fight some man whom he considers to be an easy game, the Fire Department will be left minus an assistant.

In Boston, on the evening of December 10th, Charles G. Jefferson, the champion amateur heavy-weight lifter, raised 157¼ pounds of solid iron with both hands. The best amateur lift previous to this was made by H. Leussing of Cincinnati, March 31, 1880, of 1384 pounds. David L. Dowd of Springfield, Mass., made a professional lift of 144¾ pounds March 27, 1883.

GODFREY AND KILRAIN.

The next event of importance to the sporting fraternity of this city in the way of fisticuffs will be a contest between the heavy-weights Godfrey and Kilrain. Of these fighters "Macon," the well-known writer of sports pugilistic, says:

Though George Godfrey has given a quasi acknowledgment of the California Club's offer of a $5000 purse for a go between him and Jake Kilrain, he does not seem to hanker for the job of fighting his old conqueror again. Jake, when a beginner, made Godfrey quit quits in three rounds, and I think that George feels in his bones that he is able to do it again, though maybe not so quickly. Godfrey is 40 years old and is the happy father of seven children. He is in better physical condition though than many fighters of 30, for I am told that he never drank a glass of liquor or smoked a cigar in his life. He owns his own house and lot in Chelsea, just outside of Boston, and has a tidy sum in bank. When building his house, I am informed, he kept his family in a tent in the back of the lot, and he dug the cellar of the house at night after he had returned from his regular day's labor. He only fights for the money he can make, and he will not fight Kilrain unless he feels pretty certain he can reverse the former verdict.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

At a meeting of the New Orleans City Council held a few evenings ago Councilman Haag introduced an ordinance prohibiting prize-fighting within the city limits. The matter, strange to say, was indefinitely postponed on an unfavorable report from the Committee on Police. Of all matters presented to the Council this was the only one put aside for the time being.

George Slosson is to bring Lucien Piot, the French billiard expert, to this country to play under contract.

Steinitz and Gunsberg opened their chess contest a few evenings ago at the rooms of the Manhattan Chess Club, New York. The champion offered the queen's gambit, which Gunsberg refused. After twenty-five moves had been made the game was drawn.

GALVIN'S VERSION.

His Trouble With the Kreling Brothers About Furniture.

W. S. Galvin, who was arrested a few days since upon a warrant charging him with having obtained money by means of false pretenses from the Kreling Brothers, declares that the assertion that he squatted upon the property on which he lives is without foundation. He says that he has lived there for twenty years, and that he obtained the property from the grantors who had been in possession since 1850. He also denies that he offered the Kreling Brothers $200 as a compromise when the officer served the warrant on him, and claims that upon the examination he will be able to show that there has not been a breach of the law in the transaction he had with the Kreling Brothers.

Pillsbury's Consort.

Officer Dillon arrested Katherine Pillsbury last night and charged her at the Southern Station with vagrancy. She is the wife, or claims to be, of Lewis Pillsbury, the son of the Warden of Blackwell's Island, who was arrested several days ago on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, and against whom six charges of petty larceny are now pending. Since Pillsbury's arrest she has not resided at the house where he stopped, but has been keeping company with disreputable persons.

MONEY AND TRADE.

Silver Legislation Suggested to Provide for the Present Financial Crisis.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Windom is quoted as saying: "The finances are brightening, and if nothing is done in the way of legislation calculated to unsettle confidence being restored, it will not be long before matters have assumed their natural condition."

SILVER LEGISLATION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Henry Clews has addressed an open letter to the Secretary of the Treasury in which he makes one or two novel suggestions about silver legislation. Mr. Clews says: "Congress ought to amend the present silver law by inserting a clause giving the Secretary of the Treasury authority to change at his discretion the period of the purchase of silver. At present the law provides for the purchase of 4,500,000 ounces each month, which is absolute. In place of this I propose to provide for the present money crisis a substitute, at the Secretary's discretion, giving him authority to purchase double the amount in December, equal to 9,000,000 ounces, and the same for January, February and March, and to suspend the purchase entirely for the same in the months of April, May June and July next. What is important for the people of the country to know for a certainty is that they can rely upon the present law being permanent and not subject to change at the convenience of every Congress. When the present law has been in existence a year, it will bring out new silver money aggregating in amount about $60,000,000, and each year thereafter an equal sum, and in ten years from the date of the passage of the act the amount of this money will be about $600,000,000. This annual increase, I am of the opinion, will be ample for that class of money, and it would be unwise to increase it. It certainly will be sufficient if Congress will also pass at an early date Sherman's bill, which provides for national bank bills to be issued up to the par value of United States bonds. This will increase that class of money about $15,000,000."

THE LONDON MARKET.

Kiernan's Agency has a London special which says: The principal feature of the speculative market is the firmness shown by securities dependent on the price of silver due to the prospect through proposed legislation of the absorption of the entire surplus stock of metal in the United States. The discount rate has stiffened materially in consequence of another demand from Germany for funds. It is rumored the Bank of France has informed the Bank of England that she will need the gold borrowed from her last month during the Baring troubles to enable her to meet the new French loan.

MORE FAILURES.

CLEARFIELD (Penn.), Dec. 16.—The Clearfield County Bank closed its doors this morning. The depositors are made safe by a mortgage on the real estate for three times the amount of deposit. The owner of the bank is ex-United States Senator William A. Wallace. The liabilities are $350,000 and the assets are $850,000. The excessive tightness of the money market caused the failure. The Clearfield County Bank was a private concern. It was several years ago a State institution, but now does a collecting and exchange business. The depositors have been secured by a judgment bond and mortgage of valuable coal lands in this county. The deposits aggregate $475,000. The security doubles the entire indebtedness. Senator Wallace's interest is $400,000 and his assets are placed at $600,000.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 16.—The Journal's special from Huron, S. Dak., says: The Home National Bank suspended this morning, because of the withdrawal of $60,000 of the deposits. The bank officials declare that provision has been made to pay every dollar due creditors and depositors.

The depositors have been steadily withdrawing their money for a month past, evidently scared by the financial stringency. Individual deposits subject to check dwindled down to less than $20,000, and certificates for deposit in the same ratio. The bank could not stand the strain. There is general confidence in the bank being able to carry out the promise to make good all deposits. No statement has yet been made.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Receiver Seidler of the Lorillard Brick Company, whose failure was announced yesterday, says the firm's liabilities will probably reach $2,000,000, with assets anywhere from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE.

The Business Class Gives a Successful Entertainment.

The members of the business class of '91 of St. Mary's College, Oakland, gave a musical and literary entertainment in the college building last night. The hall, which was decorated with flags and evergreen, was crowded with Oakland and San Francisco people who duly appreciated the excellent rendition of the programme. A debate on the tariff question was particularly enjoyed, the participants being heartily applauded for their able arguments pro and con. Rev. J. B. McNally, who acted as judge, decided in favor of the free-traders.

Following is the programme rendered:

Overture, "Joy and Sorrow" (Schorcht), College Orchestra; introductory address by the Chairman, Francis J. Burke; clarionet duet, petite symphonie (Danza), Henry B. Barcelon and William F. Macdonald; vocal quartet, "Memory's Refrain" (Pease), J. F. Powers, F. W. Noble, J. F. Grennan and J. Stering; recitation, "The Soldier's Pardon" (Smith), William E. Dwyer; guitar duet, "Battle of Sebastopol" (Brant), Francis J. Young and Herbert W. Price; cornet trio, "Le Doux Souvenir" (Glover), J. F. Grennan, M. A. Tully, F. Schorcht Jr.; a lecture on patent medicines, "Doctor Killofoppycap," Leonard V. Fournie; bass solo, "Funfmal Hundert Taussen Teufel" (Hoffmann), Daniel L. Sheerin; instrumental quintet, "Charge de Uhlan" (Bohm), College Orchestra. Debate—"Resolved, That Protection Is Injurious to American Labor and Commerce"; first debater (affirmative) Eugene Z. Cushing; first debater (negative), Herbert W. Price. Violin solo, "Valse de Concert I' Aragonesa" (Alard), Professor J. Manning. Second debater (affirmative), James W. Flynn; second debater (negative), Marcus A. Tully. Vocal duet, "Hope Beyond" (White), J. L. Taylor, D. I. Sheerin. Third debater (affirmative), Timothy C. Coughlin; third debater (negative), Joseph F. Grennan; recitation, Eugene Z. Cushing. Double quartet, "Good Night" (Thompson), J. A. Cooney, J. A. McAuliff, J. L. Taylor, J. F. Sinnott, W. B. White, F. I. Burke, D. I. Sheerin, F. W. Rankin; music, "Tar's Farewell" (Schiepegrell), College Orchestra.

FIRE AT WESTPORT.

A $10,000 Loss—The Town Threatened With Destruction.

A correspondent writing from Westport, Mendocino County, conveys the information that at 10 minutes before 2 o'clock last Sunday morning a fire was discovered in the rear of Mrs. Drury's unoccupied house, and in a short time the flames communicated to N. McDonald's Hotel, Fitch & Co.'s restaurant and several other buildings, all of which were totally destroyed, occasioning a loss of $10,000. Westport is not provided with a fire department, and the whole town would have have been swept away had it not been for water obtained from the water works built by Frederick Johns, proprietor of the leading hotel of the place, and maintained by him at his own expense. Streams of water from these works, while not sufficient to quench the flames, were used most effectively in cutting down houses that were in danger of destruction, and staying the progress of the fire. The citizens of the place were loud in their praise of Mr. Johns' enterprise, by means of which the town was saved.

Mining Trustees.

The Mount Diablo Mining Company has re-elected its old trustees, as follows: J. M. Shotwell (President), J. N. Knowles, R. W. Heath (Secretary), H. H. Allen and G. W. Grayson.

The Gould & Curry Mining Company also re-elected its old trustees, who are: Henry B. Havens (President), Charles H. Fish, J. B. Low, J. N. Souther, Robert Sherwood, Thomas Anderson and Morris Hoeflich. A. K. Durbrow was reappointed Secretary and Patrick Kervin Superintendent.

Fond of Overcoats.

Two charges of petty larceny were preferred against a man giving the name of J. S. Brown last night at the City Prison. Several overcoats have recently been stolen from the American Exchange Hotel, and the thefts were traced to Brown by Detectives Hanley and Seymour, who arrested him.

The Island Monarch.

King Kalakaua passed a quiet day at his hotel yesterday, and in the evening was the guest of the Bohemian Club at a banquet given in his honor. To-day he will go to Monterey in company with Admiral George Brown of the Navy.

Governor Stevenson's Will.

The sons of ex-Governor Stevenson of Nevada have instituted proceedings to set aside the will filed by their stepmother. The testimony of the witnesses in this city is being taken before Court Commissioner Havens.

AMONG THE TOILERS.

The Butchers' Fight Against the Monopoly in Pork.

During the four and a half years the Butchers' Protective Union has been in existence it has expended $14,000 in the crusade against the Chinese monopoly in pork. That the union has been successful is shown by the fact that 700 Chinese in the pork trade have been replaced by white butchers, the number of hogs slaughtered by Chinese reduced from 500 to 90 a day, and 1000 persons have withdrawn their patronage from the Chinese packers and sellers. The union predicts that the monopoly will soon be a thing of the past.

Cigar-Makers' Election.

At a meeting of Cigar-makers' International Union last night the following-named officers were elected: President, J. Millan; Vice-President, J. Hunt; Secretary, C. J. Boyle; Treasurer, A. Philo; Sergeant-at-Arms, J. Arnold; Executive Committee—J. W. Phillips, J. Springer, P. Faulhaber, M. Coleman, C. Peterson; Delegates to the Council of Federated Trades—H. Kretlow, C. J. Boyle, C. Grambarth and J. Lavelle.

Strauss & Co.'s Sewing Girls.

The 360 sewing girls who went out from the overalls department of Levi Strauss & Co.'s factory because an attempt was made to reduce the rate for piece work kept their promise and returned to their labor at the usual hour yesterday morning. The seamstresses employed in the factory propose, notwithstanding, to organize a union for self-protection.

Coast Seamen's Struggle.

The Coast Seamen's Union has received a letter from President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor in which he says that the Executive Board will soon take steps to help the sailors to induce Congress to revise the maritime laws and to fight against the bill to compel coast seamen to ship before the United States Shipping Commissioner.

'Twill Be a Long Strike.

A representative of the Federated Trades said last night that the strike at the Judson Works at Emeryville now promises to be prolonged indefinitely. Some 150 ironworkers are now out. The Directors of the works refuse to listen to overtures for an arbitration of the difficulty.

Cooks and Waiters.

The cooks and waiters report that their labor bureau is doing good work in filling orders daily. At a meeting of the union last night four candidates were initiated and six applications were received.

Freestone-Cutters.

At a meeting of the Freestone-cutters' Union last night the constitution and by laws were revised and several changes in reference to the rules to govern the organization were made.

"The Raven" Dissected.

A masterly analysis of Poe's matchless poem, "The Raven," was given before a large audience in Metropolitan Temple last night by Professor E. B. Warman. Differing with most critics, he maintained that the poem was an expression of the poet's sorrow on the day when he thought that his beloved child wife—the lost Lenore—was dead, and of his despair, when conscience—the raven, sitting plumed and pallid above the chamber door of his soul—decreed that on account of his sins he would nevermore clasp her in the "distant Aidenn." Adopting this theory, the lecturer sent shaft after shaft of ridicule against the elocutionists who ignore the fact that the poem is written in the past tense and accompanying their rendering of it by pondering "weakly and wearily," rising to hear the "raven tapping," shuddering at the rustling of the purple curtain, and only refraining from reclining on the velvet violet lining when confronted by the recollection that they failed to bring the lining with them.

New Incorporations.

The following articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the County Clerk:

Owens Valley Water Company; Directors—Andrew J. Robinson, J. W. Wesson, G. P. Rixford, A. L. Sanborn, O. E. White, H. Oterero and J. F. Turner of San Francisco. Capital stock $2,000,000, of which $1,320,000 has been subscribed.

Shelby Red Sandstone Company; Directors—Reese Llewellyn, John Metcalfe, Jay Deming, Reuben G. Robinson and Edward M. Thompson of San Francisco. Capital stock $50,000, of which $25,000 has been subscribed.

A Wife's Accusation.

Jacob B. Lewis, a painter, residing on Shipley street, was booked at the Southern Police Station last night on a charge of threats to kill preferred by Fred Cretsen, a brother-in-law of the prisoner. Lewis' wife claims that her husband has lately been spending his money in saloons, and when remonstrated with by Cretsen the former drew a pistol and threatened to kill Cretsen.

Made a Light Haul.

William Cosbie was arrested yesterday morning and charged at the Seventeenth-street Police Station with burglary. Cosbie entered a grocery on the corner of Eighteenth and Mission streets on Monday night and stole a quantity of cigars and several boxes of whisky. He also took what was in the till amounting to thirty cents.

OBITUARY.

GENERAL A. H. TERRY.

Brevet Major-General Alfred H. Terry, on the retired list of the United States Army, died at New Haven, Conn., yesterday morning from Bright's disease, from which he had suffered for three years past.

General Terry was born in Connecticut November 10, 1827, from which State he was appointed to a rank in the army from civil life. He was appointed Colonel of the Second Connecticut Infantry May 7, 1861, and was honorably mustered out of service August 7, 1861. He was again appointed Colonel of the Seventh Connecticut Infantry September 17, 1861, and his subsequent promotions were as follows: Brigadier-General of Volunteers April 25, 1862; accepted May 15, 1862; Major-General (provisional) January 15, 1865, and accepted January 16, 1865; Major-General (commission) April 20, 1865; honorably mustered out September 1, 1866. Brigadier-General January 15, 1865, "for distinguished services during the war and for gallantry and generalship at the capture of Fort Fisher, N. C."; Major-General March 3, 1886; retired April 5, 1888, for "disability in line of duty." He was breveted Major-General March 13, 1865, "for gallant and meritorious services in the capture of Wilmington, N. C"; Major-General of Volunteers August 26, 1864, for "meritorious and distinguished services during the war." He was honorably mentioned by a vote of thanks in Congress for his generalship at Fort Fisher. He served in the three months' campaign in Virginia, and was engaged in the battle of the first Bull Run; in General Sherman's Port Royal expedition, November, 1861; in the Department of the South to April, 1864; engaged at the bombardment of Fort Pulaski, Ga., and during the action at Pocotaligo, S. C.; engaged at the actions on James Island, S. C., and the operations against Forts Sumter, Wagner and Gregg on Morris Island, S. C.; engaged at the action of Chester Station, battle of Drury's Bluffs, actions in front of Bermuda Hundred, Va.; Deep Bottom, battle of Fussel's Mills, siege of Petersburg, actions of Newmarket Heights, Newmarket Roads and Williamsburg Road, Va.; commanding corps and engaged in the capture of Wilmington, N. C., and action of Northeast Creek; commanded the Division of the Tenth Corps, Army of the James, May to December, 1864; the expedition in the attack and capture of Fort Fisher, N. C.; the Department of Virginia from June, 1865, to August, 1866, and the Department of Dakota from September, 1866, until the time of his retirement, in April, 1888.

MRS. A. A. THURBER.

Mrs. Augusta A. Thurber, one of the oldest residents of Redwood City, San Mateo County, died at her home in that place yesterday, aged 69 years and 4 months. She had been living at Redwood for upward of thirty-five years at the time of her death.

BENJAMIN OLIVER.

Benjamin Oliver, an old pioneer and a noted man in the early history of Shasta County, died at his home in Redding yesterday morning. Mr. Oliver had just been elected to serve as a member of the Board of Supervisors. His widow and eight children survive him.

LATEST SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Sailed.

TUESDAY, Dec 16.

Stmr Bonita, Leland, Port Harford, etc.

Movements of Transatlantic Steamers.

QUEENSTOWN—Arrived Dec 16—Stmrs City of New York and Teutonic, from New York for Liverpool.

BIRTHS—MARRIAGES—DEATHS.

[Birth, marriage and death notices sent by mail will not be inserted. They must be handed in at either of the publication offices and be indorsed with the name and residence of persons authorized to have the same published.]

BORN.

EDGAR—In this city, December 16, 1890, to the wife of Will F. Edgar, a son.

SKOV—In this city, December 15, 1890, to the wife of C. P. Skov, a son.

AUSTEN—In this city, December 14, 1890, to the wife of Edwin Austen, a son.

WATSON—In this city, December 11, 1890, to the wife of F. J. Watson, a daughter.

O'SHAUGHNESSY—In this city, December 15, 1890, to the wife of William M. O'Shaughnessy, a son.

EVANS—In Oakland, December 13, 1890, to the wife of C. A. Evans, a son.

HARRIS—In Santa Clara, December 15, 1890, to the wife of W. F. Harris, twin sons.

FAVOR—December 14, to the wife of E. L. Favor, a daughter.

MARRIED.

WARD—BLOODSWORTH—In this city, December 15, by the Rev. S. Y. Leech, D.D., Charles E. Ward and Maggie E. Bloodsworth.

STICHLER—WOODWORTH—In this city, December 10, 1890, by the Rev. James Baldwin, John Stichler and Theresa Woodworth, both of San Francisco.

SPRAGUE—VOLZ—In this city, November 25, 1890, by the Rev. James Renwick, Willis E. Sprague and Emma Volz.

PETERSON—WELTON—In this city, December 15, 1890, by the Rev. Dr. Spalding, Henry F. Peterson and Annie Elizabeth Welton.

McLEAN—ROBINSON—In Gualala, Mendocino County, December 12, by the Rev. D. Munro, John McLean and Jessie Robinson, both of Gualala.

DIED.

Buck, John	O'Brien, Thomas
De Nett, Bertha	Pallile, Marcellin
Driscoll, Thomas	Piquet, Margaret A.
Donovan, Michael F.	Roach, Theresa
Fritz, Katie	Seinerlich, Victoria
Gately, Maggie	Silvey, May
Hornblower, Ruth	Smith, Lester C.
Mangels, Martin	Stockmann, R. E. E.
Maher, Martin	Tarot, Jean
McAuliffe, Timothy	Thurber, Augusta A.
McCrory, Se