SUNDAY PASTIMES.

A Good Attendance at the Rifle Ranges Yesterday.

Some Excellent Scores at Harbor View. Guardsmen Compete for Medals at Shell Mound—Hand-Ball.

The rifle range at Harbor View presented a scene of great activity yesterday. More than two hundred devotees of the spiral groove had assembled to endeavor to win the trophies offered by the different clubs of this city for good rifle-shootinz.

The California Club kept five targets in busy operation, and all day long a string of anxious marksmen were patiently awaiting their turn to place a shot in the much-coveted center.

The Germania Club placed a large number of men before the butts, and the members did their best to win the handsome medals which this society places at the disposal of good marksmen.

The Eintracht Shooting Section assembled with its usual number of good marksmen and made some good scores.

The Gruetli Club was also present, and showed by its enthusiasm that good work was being done at the targets.

The weather was excellent for target practice. The light proved steady and showed that the rain of the day before had been advantageous to riflemen. The glare and glimmer so often noticed after a protracted dry spell had passed away, and the heated waves of air which are so disastrous to good marksmanship were no longer noticeable. As a consequence the marksmen of the different clubs did good shooting and left the range well pleased with their day's work.

THE CALIFORNIA CLUB.

The members of the California Club did some very good shooting. Twelve members scored more than 400 rings each. In their strings of five some good work was done and the following members made the number of rings opposite their names:

A. Johnson 109, F. O. Young 111, E. Hovey 104, F. Enge 106, H. Gumbel 106, T. J. Carroll 111, A. Beda 109, H. R. Brown 111, J. Stanton 108, J. E. Klein 108, R. Fiskine 111, William Haize 111, A. Gehret 104, F. Attinger 102, J. Utschig 112, F. Kuhnle 112, D. W. McLaughlin 113, Dr. Rodgers 107, F. Roepke 112.

The contests for the medals of the club was entered into with much spirit, and those competing did their best to make a high score. The names of the medal winners and their scores are as follows:

Champion medal, F. Kuhnle, 440 rings; first class, William Glindemann, 404; second class, T. J. Carroll, 375; third class, A. Roepke, 401; fourth class, F. Schumann, 371.

The medal for the last best shot was won by J. von der Heide with 20 rings.

THE GRUETLI CLUB.

The members of the Gruetli Club were successful in their endeavors to obtain medals as follows:

First class, J. Dornbierer, 411 rings; second class, J. Scheibli, 367; third class, J. Bruegger, 314; fourth class, A. Hinterman, 299.

THE GERMANIA CLUB.

J. Dornbierer of the Germania Club made one of the best records yesterday in shooting his medal string that has ever been made in five shots. He made in his first five shots the following remarkable score: 24, 24, 25, 25, 25. Total, 123, out of a possible 125. This score stands among the first in rifle shooting, and is certainly a very good one.

The members of the club also did some good individual shooting. The following is given as made in some of the strings of fives: F. Attinger 114, G. Schiltz 101, Dr. Reiht 106, J. Utschig 109, F. Kuhnle 113, F. C. Muller 106, J. Dornbierer 123.

The winners of the medals with their scores are as follows:

Champion class—J. Dornbierer, 433 rings; first class—William Glindeman, 437; second class—F. Attinger, 410; third class—F. C. Muller, 388; fourth class—A. Mocker, 382.

The medal for the first best shot was won by J. Dornbierer with 24 rings, and the medal for the last best shot was won by F. Schuman with 25 rings.

EINTRACHT CLUB.

The winners of the medals in the Eintracht Club are as follows:

Champion class—L. H. Kauffung, 387 rings; first class—R. Overmann, 341; second class—H. Bunner, 334; third class—E. Jessen, 300. The medal for the first best shot was won by H. Gimbel with 25 rings, and the medal for the last best shot by L. H. Kauffung with 24 rings.

MATCHES.

Dr. Rodgers and J. Utschig had a match shoot of fifty shots in which the latter was the victor, making the good score of 1069 rings.

F. O. Young did some good shooting during the day and in a string of fifty shots made a score of 1059 rings, an average of 21½.

AT SHELL MOUND.

The range at Shell Mound was well filled with representatives of the different companies of the National Guard. Company B of the First Regiment were present to contest for medals, and Company C of the Third, stationed in Oakland, shot for the medal offered by that company. The Independent Rifles held their preliminary medal shoot, and Company H of the First Infantry also contested for medals.

CITY GUARD.

The score for the medals in Company B (City Guard) is as follows:

Record shoot—Charles Bone 34, Ray Sullivan 34, George Knox 24, J. N. Wilson 39, W. White 39, A. D. McLean 34.

The City Guard also had a practice shoot in which some better scores were made as follows:

Sam Wise 27, Ben Burdick 41, A. D. McLean 31, J. N. Wilson 40, J. Bluxome 35, A. Kleinclaus 31, W. White 39, Ray Sullivan 36, A. Rountree 41, George Knox 25, Ben Sturdivant 37, W. O'Malley 42, H. Taylor 36, Al Raymon 42, E. Lundquist 41, A. Kleinclaus 33, I. Bluxome 39, B. Sturdivant 41.

THE INDEPENDENT RIFLES.

The scores made by the members of this organization at their medal competition are as follows:

J. Fatting 22, H. Korts 36, H. Schlichtman 31, W. Gleason 33, E. Heimke 31, H. Meyer 31, L. Scheper 27, H. Stande 31, T. N. Zelsing 36, H. Lauenscher 39, F. Stande 38, J. Wurthman 39, M. Hunken 33.

COMPANY C, THIRD REGIMENT.

This company assembles monthly at the range and shows much enthusiasm in rifle-shooting. The scores made by the competitors are:

Lieutenant Ryan 35, Sergeant Yager 35, Sergeant Magennis 43, Sergeant Steuart 37, Sergeant Samuels 30, Corporal Orlup 34, Private Portley 40, Private Hahnan 32, Sergeant McBrien 37, Private Moon 21, Private Kite 35.

COMPANY H, FIRST REGIMENT.

All the marksmen present were glad to see Company H show up at the range. The company possesses many good shots among its members and only needs a little practice to be counted among the shooting companies of the good regiment to which it is attached. Following are some of the scores:

T. Musser	3 3 5 5 4 5 4 4 5 5–43
T. Herzog	4 4 3 4 3 3 5 4 4 4–38
L. Gottschalk	4 3 4 4 3 3 5 4 4 4–38
H. Deppen	3 3 4 4 5 4 4 3 4 3–37
Larson	4 3 3 3 3 4 4 3 4 5–36
Feld	0 3 3 3 3 2 4 4 3 4–29

PRIVATE MATCHES.

A. E. Dohrman and Corporal L. Townsend shot a fifty-shot match. Mr. Dohrman was the winner with the following score—the result of each ten shots: 43, 41, 42, 42, 41. Total, 209.

Colonel Kellogg and Captain Cook tried issues before the butts. The Colonel showed that, although he has not practiced much of late, he can still hold his own with the boys. The score for each ten shots is:

Colonel Kellogg	43 44 44 46–177
Captain Cook	39 43 42 39–163

Sergeant Pendleton and Corporal Specht shot a thirty-shot match, in which the Sergeant came out ahead. Following is the score:

H. L. Pendleton	43 46 43–132
Corporal Specht	40 40 39–120

HAND-BALL.

A Series of Games at the Two Courts on Howard Street.

Hand-ball was booming yesterday at both of Howard-street courts, despite the fact that the rain of the previous night had made it impossible to do any fine scoring.

The game was opened at Union court with a double contest, between Hugh Toner and Mike Hutchinson against Peter Hutchinson and Robert Shields. The latter won the first game by a score of 15 to 12. The second game was taken by Toner and Hutchinson by a like score, and the "rub" also went to them on a score of 15 to 13.

This was followed by another double—Edward Collins and John Condon versus Al Pennoyer and Thomas Cashin. In the first game the score stood 15 to 12 in favor of the latter. Collins and Condon won the second in a score of 15 to 13, and the third was declared a draw. The rubber will be finished next Sunday.

In a single-handed game between Pat Kelly and Edward Maloney, the first and third went to the latter on a score of 15 to 9 and 15 to 13 respectively. Kelly was not convinced of the superior skill of his opponent, and another game will be played next Sunday for a wager of $20.

Phil Casey of Brooklyn, N. Y., the champion hand-ball player of the world, is expected here during the month of March, and his coming will no doubt add to the interest already manifested in this sport.

At the San Francisco court Thomas Lavelle and Austin Henry defeated M. Daley and Daniel Quinn, both of New York. The Easterners won the first game on a score of 15 to 12. The other two went to Lavelle and Henry, both on a score of 15 to 10.

Austin Henry and Eugene Volmer also defeated M. Donahue and D. Hogan in a closely contested "double." As in the other game the losers won the first "bout" on a score of 15 to 12. The other two stood 15 to 10 and 15 to 7 respectively.

George Decker and Edward Maloney, playing against Joe Lawless and Albert Colby, won a game by taking the first "bout" on a score of 15 to 12 and the rub on the same figures.

Ryann and Maloney will play Decker and Colby next Sunday. All are good players, the stakes are high and the game promises to be of considerable interest.

HARES AND HOUNDS.

Some Interesting Events at the Ocean View Coursing Park.

One of the finest day's sport ever enjoyed at Canavan's Coursing Park was had yesterday. The hares were extra fine, and kept the dogs as busy as Merced flyers.

T. J. Cronin's Dan O'Connell beat M. McCracken's Wander after a grand hare. T. Walton's Fly beat Tipperary Girl, after a close race, by only one point. M. Tiernan's Catherine Hayes beat T. J. Cronin's Star; the winner ran a great dog, and showed great speed and close work. M. Tiernan's Glen Fallon beat T. J. Cronin's Depend-on-Me.

Second run—Catherine Hayes beat Dan O'Connell; Fly beat Glen Fallon, pointless. In the run off Catherine Hayes beat Fly and took first prize; Fly won second.

The great match-race of the day was for $40, between Charles S. Wieland's Freestone and J. P. Allen's Daisy D. Daisy D sold favorite at $3 to $2 on Freestone on account of her victory last Sunday. But today it proved different, as Freestone had it all his own way and won hands down. John Grace judged the race.

In other match races Depend-on-Me beat Pippin Jr. for $10, Lilly H beat Lady Hynes for $5, Hibernia Girl beat Irish Girl for $10, Woodside beat Pippin Jr. for $10, Depend-on-Me beat Fly for $20.

Next Sunday there will be a number of private matches and a large stake race.

SLIGHT REACTION.

Result of the Kochen Case—Two Doubtful Cases.

Yesterday was very quiet at the City and County Hospital, and no effort was made to treat the "lymph" patients. The result of their treatment so far is summed up in the statement that "a slight reaction has taken place." Anthony Quinn was sick yesterday morning and complained of expectorating more than usual. His bulletin for yesterday was as follows:

	Temp.	Pulse.	Resp.
7 A. M.	99.3	98	30
9 A. M.	100.8	101	34
11 A. M.	101.8	110	32
1 P. M.	102	111	34
3 P. M.	101.5	116	42
5 P. M.	101.3	118	48
7 P. M.	101.2	116	45

The rumor that two of the patients were about to die from the treatment is laughed at by the physicians in charge, but they admit that the two in question are very ill and far advanced in the stages of the disease, and it is not thought the lymph can do much good in their cases.

CLEAR AND COLD

Weather Predicted by the Signal Service Officers.

According to a special bulletin issued last evening by Lieutenant John P. Finley of the Signal Service, the cyclone, which had been nearly stationary over British Columbia for the past four days, has finally passed eastward beyond Washington. Its disappearance has been followed by a rapid descent southward, over Washington, of an anti-cyclone, bringing with it a large mass of cold, dry air. As a consequence, the fall in temperature in Washington is the most remarkable of the season. The rain turned to snow, with winds shifting to northerly, and temperature fell from 10° to 20° in twenty-four hours. The barometer has risen rapidly in Northern California, Oregon and Washington, and in the latter State the rise has been nearly half an inch in twelve hours and nearly three-quarters of an inch in twenty-four hours. The temperature has generally fallen in all districts, and if the anti-cyclone above referred to continues its southerly course California will experience the coldest weather of the season during the next twenty-four to forty-eight hours, accompanied by high northerly winds.

During the past twenty-four hours light rains, turning to snow, have fallen in all districts except Arizona. All amounts reported are less than half an inch, and most of them less than one quarter of an inch. The precipitation in this city amounted to .40 of an inch.

The long continuation of the cyclone north of Washington had the effect of gradually reducing the barometric pressure throughout the Pacific Coast States without the center of the storm moving southward. Under this influence the winds gradually shifted southerly in all districts with increasing cloud formation and slowly rising temperature, until condensation took place in the form of light rains. Precipitation was, therefore, mostly at night, of short duration and small in amount. Clear and colder weather will prevail throughout California within the next twenty-four hours.

MUSIC AND MISSIONS.

Three Ladies Deliver Eloquent Addresses.

Franklin-street Presbyterian Church was last night the scene of a religious service of rather an unusual character. This was a missionary concert, in which a number of the Sunday-school pupils took part, succeeded by addresses upon missionary topics delivered by three ladies, who are members of the Woman's Presbyterian Society, a missionary organization within the pale of the Presbyterian Church. The speakers were Miss M. L. Berry, whose eloquent address was upon "The Needs of Heathen Nations." Mrs. L. A. Kelly followed, who spoke upon "Our Wealth and Our Obligations," in the course of which she stated that the missionary society was the spiritual barometer of the church; and Mrs. J. B. Stewart, whose topic was, "How to Interest Children and Young People in Foreign Missions." The large congregation present formed an interested and attentive audience.

The programme rendered was as follows: Organ voluntary; anthem, by the choir; prayer, by the pastor; Hymn 456; responsive exercise, "A Song of Praise From God's Word"; Hymn 473, verses 1, 3 and 5; recitation, "The First Missionary," Gracie Hayes; recitation, "Once There Was," Cameron and Jessie Owens; reading, "Patchwork," Florence Williams; Hymn 408; recitation, "The Penny Ye Meant to Give," George Hill; responsive exercise, "Bible Rules for Giving"; anthem, by the choir; recitation, "The Little Missionary," John Rawlinson, Gussie Petrie and Ella Whieler; recitation, "Wee Workers for Jesus," Daisy Schmidt; recitation, "A Little Pink Jar," Jessie Stevenson, Ella Martin and Cora Martin; Hymn 453; address, Mrs. J. B. Stewart, Miss M. L. Berry, Mrs. L. A. Kelly; recitations, "The Tapestry Weavers," Ethel Andrews; Hymn 411; collection; benediction.

SLIT HIS TONGUE.

Horse-Cars Collide, Resulting in a Peculiar Accident.

A 5 o'clock last evening there was a crash on Montgomery street superseded by a rapid clatter, resembling that made by the small boy while playing on a paling fence with a stick. The noise was caused by the tongue of a California-street horse-car having been run into the front window of Car 13 of the Montgomery-street line. Both had tried to pass the intersection at the same time and the result was a disaster. As Car 13 proceeded on its course the tongue broke every glass on the west side and fragments of the brittle plates were showered over the passengers.

It is said the California-street line has the right of way at that point on account of having to descend a hill, but the driver on the Montgomery car would not stop and began cursing the other driver before he reached the intersection.

The only casualty resulting from the accident was to a gentleman passenger, who had his tongue split with a piece of a glass.

SEVERED SUDDENLY.

Travel Suspended as the Result of a Broken Cable.

The cable of the Powell-street line gave way without warning about 7 o'clock last night, causing a total suspension of travel on these cars. The Jackson and Washington cars, which belong to the same system, were also tied up, but only for thirty-five minutes, pending the removal of the broken cable from the engine-house. They were held back for one trip, after which they resumed the regular run on schedule time.

The Superintendent with a force of men worked throughout the entire evening on Powell street to enable the cars on that thoroughfare to continue their usual trips, but their efforts to repair the damage last night were unsuccessful.

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REAL ESTATE.

Rapid Transit Needed For Suburban Districts.

What It Has Done For Outside Lands in St. Louis—Blackmail Titles Considered—A New Concern—Notes and Sales.

This week the bill granting corporations the right to use electricity as a motive power for street railroads will be considered by the Legislature at Sacramento. Action on it is awaited with some anxiety by real estate agents and people interested in the outside lands of this city, as its passage will mean big things for them. Nor will the artisan or seeker of a cheap home within easy and quick reach of business centers be less benefited should the bill become a law. What San Francisco needs that its environs may be settled with homes is rapid transit. The Chicago Herald has said the same for that city in the following words: "What the city needs is better transportation facilities. If the alley elevated road proves a success others will be built and people will soon prefer to live in the suburbs. The great objection is that trains are too slow, poorly lighted and crowded. When those difficulties have been overcome there is no reason why there should not be a tremendous business in suburban property."

When the busy toiler can leave his work in the evening and half an hour later enter his own home near the ocean or close to the county line, rapid transit will have demonstrated its benefits. Homes will be within reach of all, and the vast unsettled and inaccessible tracts now lying between the city and the ocean will be the abiding place of many families. As a matter of course, this property will increase greatly in value, which accounts for the deep interest taken by real-estate men in this all-important matter.

AS IT IS IN THE EAST.

In introducing rapid transit San Francisco would only be following in the footsteps of Eastern cities. St. Louis, for instance, is changing the motor power of its street-railways running into country districts, and where rapidity is necessary electricity finds favor.

Regarding a recent meeting of the Railroad Committee of the City Council there, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch says: At the last meeting of this committee, held Tuesday afternoon, there was a very large attendance of persons interested in this enterprise, including among them a great many owners of property along the line, and a more enthusiastic and unanimous crowd never expressed itself favorable to the granting of any franchise. Numerous speeches were made, and the main point of each of them was that the company had consulted with interested property-owners as to every feature of the bill providing for the proposed change. There is not an objectionable clause in it. From beginning to end the bill was warmly indorsed by all the speakers, who said that it was just what everybody wanted, and it was hoped that the Railroad Committee would recommend its adoption. The presumption now is that the bill will be passed at to-morrow night's meeting of the House of Delegates.

VALUES ENHANCED.

Again it gives the following interesting account of how rapid transit is enhancing values around Tower Grove Park, St. Louis: "This section of the line will open up a large area of very desirable residence property which has already been purchased in anticipation of increased values to be created by the advantage to the section of rapid transit. There is now an electric road on Arsenal street all along the south side of the park terminating at King's highway, where property in Reber place which has been provided with a complete system of high-class public and private improvements is held at $40 a foot—that is, for lots facing the park. Before this property was reached by an electric road it could have been purchased at $25 to $30 a foot, and a good deal of it bought at those figures has since been improved with dwellings costing from $4000 to $10,000 each. At the auction last summer there was considerable of the Tyler place ground fronting Shaw avenue, just north of Tower Grove Park, where there are no improvements, which sold at $30 a foot and upward. Next spring, when the electric road is being operated along there, it is more than likely that these Shaw avenue lots in Tyler place will sell at $40 to $50 a foot, and that those on King's highway, opposite the park, where the improvements are all made, will be in demand at $50 to $60 a foot. With these two electric roads and the People's cable line along Grand avenue, running to Tower Grove, that section of the city will be well provided with rapid transit, and it is anticipated that an immense amount of building will be done in that locality next summer."

The relative merits of motors, or the special claims of a proposed electric road to the ocean, south of the park, present another aspect of the case, but it is certain that rapid transit is needed beyond the present cable-line termini.

BLACKMAIL TITLES.

The Real Estate Exchange has a committee, consisting of A. S. Baldwin, W. I. Morgan and I. Strassburger, at work devising some means of ridding the records of blackmail titles.

Attorneys have been engaged and will report to the Exchange on the best means to pursue, and the Exchange at its own cost will undoubtedly undertake the work.

NOTES.

Moore, Foster & Co. have opened an office at 634 Market street for the transaction of a general city and country real estate and brokerage business. The firm is composed of Colonel O. E. Moore, ex-Sheriff W. E. Foster, W. B. Benchley and W. N. Woodson. Colonel Moore is a successful land operator, and for years has been engaged in the land business and financial enterprises. Senator Foster is ex-Sheriff of Tehama County, and also ex-Senator of Tehama and Colusa counties. Mr. Benchley is a well-known real estate man of this city, he having managed the business of the California Land Association for the past two years. He will have charge of the same branch of the new firm. Mr. Woodson is a prominent young citizen of Tehama County. He was the last Postmaster at Red Bluff, and will manage the country department of his firm. Already the new house has presented a list of city property for sale in the real-estate columns of THE CALL. The firm has just purchased 3000 acres of land south of Red Bluff for colony purposes.

The many real-estate offices and business-houses on the block opposite the Palace Hotel are circulating a petition to the Postmaster to place a letter and a package mail-box on their side of the street in the middle of the block. At present some dangers have to be encountered in crossing the busy streets when taking letters to the mail-boxes. J. T. Harris has charge of the petition.

Some of the most select city residences and Richmond lots offered for sale are on the list of L. Oesterricher.

The office of David Stern & Sons will be remodeled this week on an elaborate plan. Electricity has been introduced to illuminate it brightly.

Wilson & Carr are offering big investments of downtown property of a nature well worth examining into.

E. Avery McCarthy, the enterprising young real estate man and clever advertiser of his Lakeview property, has gone to Los Angeles on a two weeks' vacation.

George W. Hopkins of the Carnall-Fitzhugh-Hopkins Company went to the Cottonwood and Hopkins fruit colonies in Shasta County Saturday night to supervise the planting of fruit trees. He will return to-morrow.

J. W. Coleman has a new list of handsome city residences and fine improved and unimproved property in different parts of town.

SALES.

The Carnall-Fitzhugh-Hopkins Company sold a house and lot, 25x85, on west side of Octavia, near Fell, for $5000; lot 50x120, east side of Nineteenth avenue, 120 feet north of Clement, for $1500; lot 25x100, south line of I street, west of Sixteenth avenue, for $800; lot on Eighth avenue, between J and K, for $875, and three on Ninth avenue, between the same streets, for $900 each.

P. A. Dolon & Co. report sales of fractions of Blocks 1181, 1182 and 1183, south of the park, on V street and Fifteenth and Sixteenth avenues, for $1450, $1850 and $500 respectively.

O. D. Baldwin, Joost and Mertens sold a lot on Belgrave avenue, 325 feet east of Stanyan street, 50x100, for $1400; also a lot on Collingswood avenue, 160 feet south of Twenty-first street, 50x125, for $1825.

Parker & Ford sold half of Block 1159 for $3500; six lots in Block 1088, $200 each; two lots in Block 1159, $200 each; a corner of Block 981 for $350, and a lot on the east side of Fifth avenue, Richmond.

Jacob Heyman has disposed of a lot on Falcon road for $2500, a corner on J street for $650 and ten lots near the Ocean House for $2600.

BUILDERS' CONTRACTS.

John Caine with Thomas Elam, to build on lot on east line of Diamond street, 114 south of Elizabeth, north 50x95; $2941.

R. C. Fisher & Co. with Crocker Estate Company, marble work on the corner of Market, Post and Montgomery streets; $28,300.

R. C. Fisher & Co. with Crocker Estate Company, additional marble work on the corner of Market, Post and Montgomery streets; $17,547.

William Kennedy with William Collins & Bro., to build on lot on south line of Seventeenth street, 30 east of Diamond, east 25x75; $2175; bonds $2000; Harris & Jones, sureties.

MILITARY JOTTINGS.

Retirement of the Chief of the Ordnance Bureau.

It was with a sense of personal loss that the Army and Navy Register chronicled the retirement on the 22d ult. of General Stephen V. Benet from the office of Chief of Ordnance, United States Army, whose record in that department, it declares, was notable for wisdom and conservatism. "Indeed," says the Register, "it is in his tact as a department chief and an administrator that General Benet has chiefly distinguished himself. He might, perhaps, have obtained from Congress millions of dollars more than he has done for guns and fortifications, but it is now apparent that money expended on any system devised more than five years ago would have been wasted. Now we know what we want and how to get it, and the next Chief of Ordnance will have the supervision of the construction of the ordnance which is to guard our coasts for many years to come, as well as the small arms with which our army will do whatever fighting may fall to it during the next quarter of a century."

Nothing more has been heard from Washington about the transfer of the First Infantry U. S. A., from the Indian country to San Francisco, than appeared in a Washington dispatch that the regiment had been ordered to return. The belief at headquarters is that the regiment will not return. It was intended that the Sixteenth should come to this Coast, but as it would cost about $40-000 to make the exchange and the First can return here at an insignificant cost, having only light baggage it is probable that Colonel Shafter and his command will return, for the expense would be too great at present, when the appropriation is almost exhausted for the change to be made. And yet again it is said that the First would soon have been sent elsewhere, even if the trouble with the Indians had not occurred, and it is not precedent to send it back now. It is known that seventy men of the First Infantry, have been allowed to transfer at will to regiments at Pine Ridge Agency and belonging to other departments.

The Fortification Bill, or reported to the Senate, carries an aggregate appropriation of $3,800,435, a reduction of $432,500 in the total as passed in the Senate. The estimates on which the bill was based aggregate $7,484,323. The Senate omitted the appropriation for improvements of the torpedo station at Yerba Buena Island in this harbor; reduced from $1,000,000 to $75,000 that for gun and mortar batteries for Boston, New York, San Francisco, Hampton Roads and Washington, but added the following new item: "For breech-loading rifled sea-coast mortars, cast-iron, hooped with steel, 12-inch caliber, $400,000; provided the contracts may be made for not more than one-half the mortars herein provided for to be constructed on the Pacific Coast, at the discretion of the Secretary of War."

A measure introduced in the Senate proposes that the grade of certain medical officers of the army below that of Surgeon-General shall be as follows, namely: Those holding the rank of Colonel, assistant Surgeon-Generals; those holding the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, deputy Surgeons-General, and further that medical officers of the army shall be assigned by the Secretary of War to such duties in the Medical Department as the interests of the service may demand.

Senator Saunders of Montana has discovered that there is no law upon the statute books which prohibits the selling of arms and ammunition to the uncivilized Indians of the West and he has introduced a bill to prevent guns of any description being sold to any but the most peaceable reservation Indians. The bill prescribes a fine of $500 and imprisonment for not less than six months for every infraction of the law.

An order issued to the commanding officers of troops in the Division of the Missouri required them immediately to cause a map to be made of the country where their commands are located, and as far enough to the right and the left to connect with other commands, giving the distances also to their front, showing the nature of the country as far as the hostile camp and the practicability of the country for moving troops in any direction in case it should be necessary.

Under the act of Congress of October 1, 1890, three Second Lieutenants of the Signal Corps have been nominated for appointment in the line of the army (cavalry) and seven in the infantry, including one Second Lieutenant John P. Finley. The promotions in the Signal Corps of Second Lieutenants William A. Glassford and Joseph E. Maxfield, both of whom have been "Old Probs" in San Francisco, have been confirmed.

The general court-martial, of which Colonel A. C. M. Pennington, Fourth Artillery, is President, convened at Fort Monroe, Virginia, for the trial of Lieutenant Roach, First Infantry, who was ordered there for medical treatment and observation some two months ago. The charges relate to some financial transactions, and at his request a delay of one week was granted him to prepare his case and secure the necessary witnesses.

James A. Pope, an enlisted man of Company G, First Infantry, stationed at Angel Island, has been retired after thirty-two years of service. He served in the Mexican and Civil wars, and his pay on the retired list will be $21 50 per month, which is $8 50 more than a private in active service receives during his first enlistment.

Assistant Surgeon A. F. Steigers was relieved on Friday from temporary duty at Angel Island to return to his station at Alcatraz, which was without a surgeon owing to the suicide of Surgeon Dietz. Surgeon Graham also has returned to his former post at Angel Island.

Lieutenant Barry of the First Infantry, who went with his regiment to the front, will find a little stranger at home on his return. A bouncing nine-pound boy was born to his wife on Friday night.

Grave fear is expressed by many officers that there will be an extensive Indian war in the spring in spite of all that General Miles and his subordinates at Pine Ridge can do at the present time.

The review at Pine Ridge Agency 3000 men and 370 horses were in line, and after the review there was a display of the Transportation Department of the army.

First Lieutenant Marion P. Maus, First Infantry, has been promoted Captain, vice Heiner, deceased, and has been assigned to Company A.

Second Lieutenant John A. Perry, Tenth Infantry, has been assigned to command Company A, Indian Scouts, at San Carlos, Ariz.

Second Lieutenant Alfred Hasbraeck Jr., Fourteenth Infantry, has been ordered to report at the Presidio for examination for promotion.

First Lieutenant Albert C. Blunt, Fifth Artillery, has been relieved from court-martial duty at the Presidio.

Major George Sternberg, Surgeon, has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Heger, promoted Colonel.

PERSONAL NOTES.

B. Isaacs of Ione is stopping at the Grand.

C. M. Spaulding of Chicago is at the California.

Frank A. West of Stockton is at the Occidental.

W. R. Ryder of San Jose is quartered at the Palace.

Dr. Cluness of Sacramento is a guest of the Palace.

B. W. Paxton of Healdsburg is registered at the Grand.

D. W. Spear of Auburn is spending a few days at the Palace.

Henry Graner of Winters registered last night at the Baldwin.

Charles Zeimer, the Sacramento merchant, is registered at the Palace.

O. L. Pond of San Jose is in the city. He is stopping at the Baldwin.

Captain R. M. Bartlett of New Bedford, Mass., is at the California.

A. J. Bidder and family of Washington, D. C., are at the California.

A. Leary of Santa Rosa is in the city on business. He is at the Lick.

L. W. More of Santa Barbara is among the guests at the Occidental.

J. Lewis of Sacramento arrived in the city last night and put up at the Grand.

C. P. Hall of Sacramento arrived in town last night and registered at the Lick.

Alexander White of Los Angeles was among the arrivals at the Lick yesterday.

George Van Gordon of San Simeon was among the arrivals at the Baldwin last night.

Ira G. Holtt, late Superintendent of Public Instruction, is in the city. He is at the Occidental.

Point Lobos Improvements.

At a special meeting of the Point Lobos Improvement Club, held last Saturday evening, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we petition the honorable Board of Supervisors to have the report made by the Street Committee at their meeting on Thursday, January 29, 1891, in regard to the Richmond system of sewerage, referred back to said Street Committee to afford representatives of the Point Lobos Improvement Society an opportunity to appear before said committee and be heard in the matter before final action.

Stole a Purse.

Maggie Brady was arrested by Officer Rainsbury yesterday and charged with grand larceny. She is accused of having stolen from Thomas O'Connor a purse containing a small sum of money.

Ask Your Friends

Who have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla what they think of it and the replies will be positive in its favor. One has been cured of indigestion and dyspepsia, another finds it indispensable for sick headache, others report remarkable cures of scrofula, salt rheum and other blood diseases, and so on. Truly, the best advertising which Hood's Sarsaparilla receives is the hearty endorsement of the army of friends it has won by its positive medicinal merit.

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"For malaria I think Hood's Sarsaparilla has no equal. It has kept my children well right through the summer and we lived in one of the worst places for malaria in Marysville. My children have never before passed a season without having malaria. I think Hood's Sarsaparilla a wonderful medicine. I recommend it to everybody. I take it myself for that all-gone feeling with great benefit."—MRS. B. F. DAVIS, Marysville, Yuba Co., Cal.

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MEN ABOUT TOWN.

Short Stories of Interest Gathered at Random.

The Red Fish of Hawaii—Thompson's Trip to Downieville—A Lawyer Admitted. A Famous Linguist.

Frank Godfrey, the editor of the Paradise of the Pacific, published at Honolulu, and who has been stopping at the Occidental for several days, says that the stories of the red fish in connection with the death of Kalakaua are simply inventions of the newspaper correspondents.

"There is no truth whatever," he said, "in the reports that the natives consider them as the forerunners of the death of a chief. At certain seasons of the year they appear in the harbor of Honolulu in great numbers and are about as common as smelt are in San Francisco. They are small red fish, exceedingly palatable, and are greatly relished by the natives as an article of food. The sharks create sad havoc among them, and when the water is low on the bar the former on account of their size are unable to enter the harbor, and instead cruise back and forth from Diamond Head to Barbers Point in search of the red fish, which they devour in large quantities. In order to escape the red fish cross the bar and seek refuge in the harbor, where they are perfectly safe from their enemies."

THOMPSON'S FAMOUS TRIP.

"Did you ever hear of Kettle-belly Thompson's famous trip from Gold Hill to Downieville?" asked an old-timer at the Grand Hotel, last night.

"Never did, eh? Why, John Gilpin and General Sheridan were not in it with Thompson, and the latter still lives to relate his story. It was back in the '50's that Thompson, with two companions, started on an intensely cold winter day to walk over the divide from Gold Hill to Downieville. A few days previous there had been a heavy fall of snow, which lay in some places to the depth of four or five feet, and this rendered traveling extremely difficult. The journey up the eastern slope of the mountains was a hard one, and when about half the ascent had been made one of Thompson's companions became exhausted, and could proceed no further. In this dilemma a hole was dug in the snow, and the exhausted man was placed in it to keep him from freezing until a relief party could reach him.

"A couple of miles further on a second one gave out and Thompson cached him in the snow, as he had done the first. Then he struggled on alone in order to reach his destination soon as possible to secure aid. Thompson was very stout and the exertion soon began to tell on him. He succeeded in reaching the summit of the divide, however, and there his strength deserted him completely. The cold became more intense, and, to avoid freezing, he decided to bury himself in the snow. Finding a soft place in the snow he sprang into it, drawing himself together as he did so, and when he struck the surface, instead of sinking from sight he began to roll. Faster and faster down the mountain he went, the snow accumulating like a huge ball about him. The people of Downieville were alarmed when they saw the huge snow-ball flying down upon them, but when it struck a miner's shanty it burst in two and Thompson stepped out unhurt.

"A relief expedition was formed and his two companions rescued that night."

HOW HE WAS ADMITTED.

"One of the most amusing stories of the San Francisco bar is that of John R. Jarboe's admission to practice before the Supreme Court," remarked a well-known attorney at the Palace last night.

"It seems that a committee, of which the late Judge Heydenfeldt was named as a member, was appointed to examine Mr. Jarboe, and it was agreed to meet in the evening. When the hour arrived all were present but the Judge, and nearly an hour was spent in waiting for him. Despairing of his coming the other members decided to proceed with the business in hand, and immediately began to ply Mr. Jarboe with questions. One or two had been answered satisfactorily when a peculiarly perplexing one was propounded, and the latter was overheard by Judge Heydenfeldt, who at that moment walked in at the door.

"Addressing himself to the examiners, he said: 'I am surprised at such a question coming from gentlemen of your understanding. Let me conduct this examination.'

"He turned abruptly to Mr. Jarboe with the question: 'Young man, can you drink a whisky cock-tail?'

"Mr. Jarboe blushingly replied that he could.

"'Then you are eminently qualified to practice in any court in California,' said the Judge, with a smile. 'Gentlemen, let us adjourn.'

"They made a merry night of it, I am told, and on the following day Judge Heydenfeldt reported to the Supreme Court that Mr. Jarboe had been carefully examined, and was found to be well fitted to be admitted to practice."

A FAMOUS LINGUIST.

"There are not three men in San Francisco, probably, who can converse with that man in his native dialect," said Dr. Calegaris yesterday, pointing to a man who had just passed out of his office. "He speaks what is known as Genoese, and it is as different from pure Italian as is English. There are fully a dozen dialects in Italy, and each is an almost purely distinctive language.

"They were all mastered by Cardinal Mezzofanti, who is now dead, and who could speak fifty-six dialects and languages. It is related of him that while he was at the Vatican a traveler arrived in Rome from Asia to be confessed, whose language no one who met him could understand. Cardinal Mezzofanti was sent for and found that even he had never heard it spoken. By means of signs he learned the stranger's errand and that he had with him a dictionary of his native tongue. This the Cardinal took, and informing the Pope that he would be prepared in twenty-four hours to confess the man retired to his room. When, at the end of the time named, he appeared and announced that he was ready to proceed, it was found that he had mastered the language sufficiently to converse quite freely with the traveler."

AMERICAN BISON.

A Full Blood Buffalo Purchased for Golden Gate Park.

There has been purchased by the Park Commissioners a fine specimen of the American bison or common buffalo, and it is now en route to this city from Garden City, Kans., where it was purchased, under the care of the Wells Fargo Express Company. It is four years old and is of fine stock, and was raised on the Jones Buffalo Farm, near Garden City.

The price paid is $350, which is considered moderate. At first it was the intention to purchase a pair, but as they were found to be worth $1200, the Commissioners decided to purchase only one this year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WHEN THE HAIR

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or even black.