SUNDAY PASTIMES.

Prize Shooting and Medal Contests at Shell Mound.

The Ariels Win the Barge Race—Alpine Sprinters Run Two Races—A Game of Cricket at Klinknerville.

A large number of marksmen assembled at Shell Mound yesterday to devote the day to rifle shooting. The occasion was one of more than ordinary interest as Captain Siebe had placed twenty-five prizes in competition and the marksmen present tried hard to make top scores.

Company B, Third Infantry Regiment, held its monthly medal shoot and some good scores were made.

Companies C and G (Nationals) of the First Regiment were present in strong numbers to compete for the trophies of their company.

The Independent Rifles held their final monthly medal shoot and brought out a good many members, who tried hard to place good scores to their names.

The San Francisco Schuetzen Verein turned out strong and used their best endeavor to win the handsome medals which the company places at the disposal of its members.

Representatives of the California, Germania, and in fact nearly all the rifle clubs of the city were present to participate in the prize-shoot of Captain Siebe.

The members of Company B of the First were present at the range and indulged in a little practice preparatory to the Tobin trophy shoot, which will take place next Sunday.

THE PRIZE SHOOT.

The lucky marksmen in the prize shoot, with their number of points, are as follows:

F. O. Young	94	P. Jacoby	88
Fred Kuhnle	92	H. Hecth	88
J. F. Klein	92	K. Wertheimer	88
L. Bendel	92	Ed Hovey	88
J. Utschig	91	F. C. Muller	87
W. Glindeman	91	F. Freese	86
A. Johnson	9	R. Finking	86
D. W. McLaughlin	90	Chris Meyer	84
F. Attinger	90	A. Marriott	84
A. Strecker	90	L. Haake	83
A. Rahwyler	90	C. Thierback	81
A. Ehrenpfort	89	Dr. Reihl	79
F. Beckman	89		

The first bull's-eye in the morning was won by K. Wertheimer, and the last by F. Kuhnle. The first bull's-eye in the afternoon was won by F. Freese, and the last bull's-eye of the festival was won by Fred Kuhnle.

The winner of the first bull's-eye of the day received $2 50 for his success, and the last bull's-eye in the morning was given $1. The first bull's-eye in the afternoon got $1, while the last one of the day got $2 50.

THE SCHUETZEN VEREIN.

The members of this well-known shooting company kept up a constant fusilade all day long. Many close and exciting scores was the result. In many cases the members were unable to tell who would come out winner until the last shot was fired. The winners of medals with their scores is as follows. Champion class, A. Freese, 307; second class, Dr. F. Reihl, 397; third class, F. Schumann, 375; fourth class, A. Grantz, 332. The medal for the first best shot was won by J. C. Waller with twenty-five rings, and the medal for the last best shot was won by H. Zecher with twenty-three rings.

THE NATIONALS.

The Nationals turned out well and made excellent scores. Following is the result of the contest:

CHAMPION CLASS.

G. Nolte	4 4 4 5 5 4 5 5 5 4—45
C. F. Waltham	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 5—42
Chris Meyers	5 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5—47
J. E. Kleinn	4 5 4 5 5 4 4 4 4 4—43
A. Johnson	5 4 3 4 5 4 5 5 4 5—44

FIRST CLASS.

L. Lods	4 4 4 4 5 5 4 4 5 4—43
F. A. Eyre	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 5—41
E. E. Parmelee	4 5 5 4 4 4 4 5 4 4—43
E. Sitter	4 5 4 4 4 5 4 5 5 5—44

SECOND CLASS.

Leo Hampton	4 4 4 4 5 4 4 5 4 4—42
J. Dunnigan	4 4 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4—41
J. D. Mansfield	4 4 5 4 4 3 4 4 4 4—40

THIRD CLASS.

J. Thompson	4 4 5 4 4 5 4 4 3 5—42
W. S. Jones	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 5—41
J. Robinson	4 4 3 4 4 4 3 4 4 5—39
H. Harper	4 4 5 4 4 3 4 4 4 3—39

FOURTH CLASS.

A. Anderson	5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 4—43
A. S. Hatfield	3 4 4 4 3 4 4 4 3 5—38
C. Suttison	3 4 3 4 3 4 4 5 4 5—38
J. Lee	5 3 3 4 3 4 4 4 4 4—38

COMPANY B, THIRD REGIMENT.

As usual, Company B placed a large force of men to work before the butts. Some good scores were made. Following is the score:

F. C. Muller	4	4 5 4 4 3 3 5 4 5	41
A. Beckenback	4	4 3 0 2 0 4 3 4 2	26
R. Stettin	4	5 5 5 4 4 4 4 4 4	42
J. Pritchard	4	4 4 5 3 4 3 4 5 5	41
W. Robertson	3	5 4 4 4 4 4 5 5 5	42
A. Ballerson	0	0 3 4 5 3 3 4 2 3	27
W. Kennedy	2	5 4 3 4 4 5 4 4 4	38
J. H. Reilly	0	4 3 3 4 2 2 5 4 3	31
W. Cooper	3	3 4 4 5 5 3 3 4 5	39
W. Brusher	4	3 3 2 4 4 3 5 4 4	36
L. Reubold	4	4 3 3 4 4 3 3 4 3	33
J. A. Carroll	4	4 2 2 3 3 3 0 4 3	28
William Kennedy	4	3 3 3 4 4 3 4 4 5	38
G. Rosa	3	5 3 4 0 4 3 3 4 2	32
J. Rose	3	3 4 4 4 5 4 4 3 4	38
H. Hoeth	4	4 3 4 4 4 4 4 5 4	40
J. S. Burns	3	4 5 0 3 3 2 3 4 3	27
J. J. Carroll	5	4 4 5 4 4 5 4 5 4	44
G. Glindeman	4	5 4 5 5 5 4 4 4 4	44
F. A. Pritchard	4	4 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 5	42
W. Mahone	4	5 5 3 3 4 5 4 4 4	39
J. Harrington	4	4 3 3 4 0 3 4 5 3	33
W. Glindeman	4	4 4 4 4 5 5 3 3 4	41
Hinckley	4	5 5 5 4 3 3 3 4 4	41

The following members of Company B are the medal-winners in their respective classes: Champion medal, G. Glindeman, 44; first class, T. J. Carroll, 44; second class, W. Robertson, 41; third class, L. Reubold, 39; fourth class, J. H. Reilly, 37.

THE INDEPENDENT RIFLES.

This company holds two shoots each month. As a consequence the members who are steady participants are showing much improvement. In a short time the Rifles will be able to place a strong team in the field. Following are the scores:

H. Kerts	3	4 4 2 3 2 4 3 3 4	32
G. Miller	4	4 4 4 4 4 4 5 3 3	39
Lieutenant H. Beversen	4	4 3 2 4 5 4 4 3 3	34
F. Schlambaum	0	2 4 4 3 3 3 4 3 2	28
J. Wurthmann	3	3 4 2 5 5 3 0 3 4	32
J. Wuitzen	4	4 4 4 4 4 3 4 4 3	39
P. Rekhoff	2	3 3 3 2 4 3 3 4 2	29
W. Gleeson	4	3 4 1 3 4 4 4 4 4	38
H. Gattzen	3	4 0 3 3 2 4 5 3 0	27
Lieutenant F. Staude	5	5 3 4 4 4 4 4 5 2	39
F. M. Zeising	3	4 3 3 4 4 0 4 4 5	34
E. Moenning	4	5 5 3 4 4 4 3 4 0	36
G. Schlueter	4	5 4 2 3 3 4 3 4 4	38
J. Moderman	3	3 2 4 3 4 3 0 3 3	28
T. Hamman	3	2 4 3 3 5 3 3 2 0	28

On the preliminary shoot of the company the following scores were made:

H. Mager 39, H. Schlichtman 33, C. H. Weldener 26, Theo Lamer 34, J. Moenning 33, H. Schultze 32, E. Helmke 35, Corporal Tonnemacher 39, M. Hanken 29, E. Peters 26, J. H. Wilkens 25, L. Scheper 24, C. L. Woest 27.

COMPANY B, FIRST REGIMENT.

Some of the members of Company B of the First were present to practice preparatory to the Tobin trophy shoot. Some of their scores are as follows:

William Unger 44, Corporal L. Townsend 43, A. Ramm 41, H. B. Taylor 41, Captain J. B. Cook 40, H. Kleinclaus 37, S. Wise 33, R. Sullivan 38, B. Burdick 42, A. H. Clifford 38, A. F. McClean 28, F. A. Baldwin 22.

PRIVATE MATCH.

A close private match was shot by eight members of Company B, Third Regiment. It will be seen by the scores that the contest was a close one. F. C. Muller entered as a ninth man in the match, and divided his score equally between both teams. He made the good record of 45 in his score:

G. Nelson	5	4 3 4 4 4 3 5 5 4	39
R. Stettin	5	4 4 4 5 4 5 3 5 2	41
W. Cooper	4	4 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4	38
H. Heeth	4	4 4 4 5 4 4 5 3 5	42
Total			160
F. Ostrich	4	3 5 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	40
W. Kennelly	4	4 4 4 4 4 4 5 3 2	39
J. Pritchard	3	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 3 5	39
F. Pritchard	3	4 4 5 5 4 5 4 4 4	43
Total			161

BOWLING.

In addition to the various prizes given the marksmen for their skill at the targets Captain Liebe also offered a number of prizes for those who deem themselves proficient at bowling. The greatest amount of enthusiasm prevailed among the participants, and as the pins fell down by the well directed shot of some skillful bowler he received the cheers of his comrades and spectators. The following named are the winners of prizes: W. Glindeman, H. Bohlman, J. Horstman, W. Hugenlin, H. Blinkin, G. Skinner, H. Huber, J. Sievers, G. Schumacher, J. Planz.

RANDOM SHOTS.

The first meeting of the National Guard Veteran Association will be held at Shell Mound, Sunday, March 29th. All members are expected to provide themselves with a rifle and wear the badge of the association. Ammunition can be procured at the range. The shoot will be for the purpose of the members perfecting themselves, so that in the near future they may contest with the teams from the National Guard. As there are more than 300 members of the association it is expected that a large number will present themselves before the butts.

At the conclusion of yesterday's contest Captain Siebe invited all the marksmen to a banquet which he had prepared as a surprise for them. F. Attinger acted as toast-master and kept the riflemen in a constant vein of good humor by his many witty remarks.

The marksmen who participated in yesterday's shoot were surprised to see the good shooting done by the old champion, Philo Jacoby. For several days he has been a very sick man, under the doctor's care. He showed that he was still alive and would remain so for some time to come.

The opening of the new shooting park near San Rafael promises to mark one of the most important events in the history of rifle practice on the Coast. Every preparation is being made to insure a success.

THE ARIELS WIN.

Spirited Barge Race Held Over the Alameda Creek.

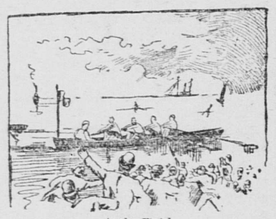
After three postponements the first of a series of three races inaugurated by the Rowing Association took place yesterday over a two-mile course on the Alameda Creek. The start was made from in front of the Alameda Boat Club-house.

The association has every reason to feel flattered by the large number of spectators in attendance, among whom were many ladies, a good proportion of them crossing from this side of the bay. The weather was fine and the water all that could be desired for fast rowing.

Shortly after 12 o'clock Referee John Sullivan called the crews out. The Ariels, who were the first to show up, wore blue headgear, and the crew was as follows: Henry Tank, G. W. Phelan, Henry Whitkopp and John Larkey.

The Pioneers wore scarlet, and were John Ellis, M. Ballard, William Ellis and William Espy. Alameda Boat Club was represented by Robert Jackson, Lew Bamberg and the Schumacher brothers.

The boats lost no time in getting into position with the Pioneers inside, Alamedas outside and Ariels in the center. The latter looked to be the strongest and most practiced and were picked by the betting men as winners. The Alameda boys, by their long, easy stroke, gained a number of supporters, while the Pioneers, although having plenty of friends among the spectators, were simply regarded as not being in it. The boats were sent off to an even start, when the Ariels at once assumed the lead by half a length, and a cheer went up when the Alamedas drew up on them with the Pioneers closely pressing the latter. The pace set by the Ariel men was too hot for the others and at the half-mile point they had a fair lead.



At the Finish.

The position of the boats remained unchanged until near the turn, when the Alamedas captain called for a spurt, which was responded to, and the boat got a little closer to the leaders. At the turning-stake the Ariels had a lead of a good length over the Alamedas, while the Pioneers were struggling along hopelessly in the rear. The Alamedas made a splendid turn, sending their boat around the stake as if it was on a pivot.

Then commenced an exciting race home. The Alameda oarsmen strained every nerve to reduce the lead of their opponents. The spectators yelled themselves hoarse calling out the names of the crew they favored. Now one would spurt, then the other. The Ariels, however, kept their advantage, and crossed the winning line about one and a half lengths in the lead of the Alamedas, with the Pioneers between eight and ten lengths astern of the latter.

The judges were Leander Stevenson and John McDonald. After the race the contestants and their friends were invited by a committee from the Alameda Club to visit their house and partake of a fine lunch which had been prepared for the occasion.

The Rowing Association met yesterday at the headquarters of the Alameda Club, John Sullivan presiding. It was decided to have the next contest take place from the Dolphin Club-house on Sunday next, the race to be called at noon. The delegates from the Dolphin Club stated that their organization would most likely enter a crew for the next event.

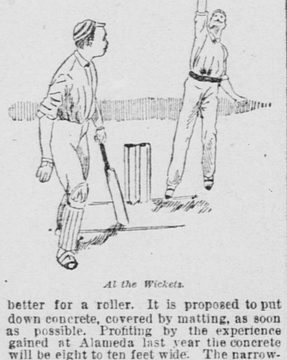
A CRICKET GAME.

The California and Oakland Clubs Open Their Season.

The California and Oakland Cricket clubs opened their season yesterday by a practice game at their new grounds, Klinknerville. The Burnaby and Alameda clubs will use their old grounds adjoining Webster-street Station, Alameda.

The Klinknerville grounds are well-turfed and easily reached, trains running to Berkeley every half-hour on Sundays. The only objection to them is that they are rather small. Yesterday Sloman hit a ball over the fence and numerous "lost balls" may be looked for during the season.

The game yesterday was played on the turf. This made a very good pitch, though it was rather soggy and would have been better for a roller. It is proposed to put down concrete, covered by matting, as soon as possible. Profiting by the experience gained at Alameda last year the concrete will be eight to ten feet wide. The narrowness of the concrete at the Alameda grounds made it possible for a bowler to pitch a ball in the loose sand at the side and "break" it on the wicket. This was a great drawback to confident free batting.



At the Wickets.

The sides in yesterday's game were captained by Robertson and Webster. Robertson's side went to the bat first. After Robertson and Sloman had been disposed of for 13 and 20 runs respectively, the wickets fell rapidly till the whole side was out for 51. Two men—Reynolds and Hood—were responsible for most of the 69 runs obtained by Webster's side, though all but two made some runs. Hood's 37 was a freely hit innings, which showed he is going to duplicate his successful batting of last year. Reid, who made 5, showed good form and promises to be a valuable member of his club.

Robertson and Banner bowled well, as they always do, and a new bowler was discovered in Jones. He is a medium-pace bowler, with a high over-hand delivery, and breaks his balls well from the off.

The score was as follows:

ROBERTSON'S SIDE.

W. Robertson, b. Reynolds	13
Sloman, run out	20
Banner, b. Jones	0
Bray, run out	2
O'Brien, b. Jones	0
G. L. Smith, c. Dodd, b. Hoyd	3
T. Barbour, st. Webster, b. Boyd	0
Markland, run out	4
C. Hewson, not out	1
Byes	7
No balls	1
Total	51

WEBSTER'S SIDE.

A. Webster, c. Barbour, b. Banner	0
Reynolds, c. Robertson, b. Banner	11
E. Hoad, b. Robertson	37
Jones, b. Banner	1
Boyd, b. Banner	0
Manning, st. Sloman, b. Robertson	2
Whittie, b. Robertson	7
Reid, b. Sloman	5
Dodd, not out	3
Byes	3
Total	69

A meeting is to be held next Tuesday evening at the California Athletic Club to organize a cricket association. Delegates have already been chosen to represent the California, Oakland, Burnaby and Alameda clubs. The Pacific Club does not organize for this year till next month, and there is some doubt as to whether it will join the association or not. Should the association be formed, it will at once prepare a schedule of games. A scheduled game will in that case be played at the Alameda grounds next Sunday.

HAND-BALL GAMES.

Some Good Playing Done at the Two Courts Yesterday.

A number of hand-ball games were played yesterday, and the courts were crowded all afternoon with the lovers of the exciting sport. At Butler's Court a good game was played between Joseph Lawler and Eugene Vogelsang on one side and James Kearney and John Slattery on the other. Lawler is fast getting in good form and played so well that his side won two straight games out of three.

A team composed of John Hyde and Eugene Vogelsang next contended against Joseph Lawler and Thomas Stanton. The latter team won two rubbers and the former one, when, owing to Hyde meeting with an injury to his hand, the finish of the game was postponed until next Sunday.

A six-handed game followed, the teams being James Harlow, Edward Hogan and John Mullaney versus James Molloy, John Slattery and Thomas Kearns. The first mentioned team won the first game, and the latter the last two games of the rubber. Mullaney and Linehan then played Molloy and Tully, the latter team winning by a score of 15 to 13.

At John Condon's court in the morning there was an exciting game between John McDermott and James O'Donnell on one side and Hugh Toner and Al Pennoyer on the other. Each side won two rubs.

In the afternoon W. H. Farrell and John McDermott formed a team against Al Pennoyer and Joseph Walsh. Each side won one game. The first game stood: Farrell's side, two rubs, 15 to 12 and 15 to 10; Pennoyer's side, one rub, 15 to 13. In the second game Pennoyer's side got two rubs, 15 to 11 and 15 to 12, and O'Farrell, one rub, 15 to 8.

M. Stanyan, the champion hand-ball player, arrived from New York last week and will play a match game on Sunday next at Condon's court with John Reardon, the champion player of this coast. The stakes will be $100 a side, and an exciting game is expected.

ALPINE SPRINTERS.

The Club Gives a Half and an Open Three-Mile Race.

The Bay District Track was the scene yesterday afternoon of two animated races; one of a half mile and one of three miles, both handicaps. The entries and handicaps as published in yesterday's CALL were carried out with the exception of three in each race, who failed to enter on the track. The weather was fine and the track in good condition.

The first race of half a mile was won by A. F. Mahony, scratch, in 2:06; Sol Choynski, 2:08, second; A. Cook, 2:11, third. Messrs. King, Land and Garrison did not enter. The winner was awarded a gold medal and the second and third best each got a silver medal.

The open three-mile race was won by F. L. Cooley, scratch, of the Olympic Club, in 17:16; W. F. Vollmer, 80 seconds handicap, Alpine Club, second; H. M. Collins, 50 seconds, same club, third. Messrs. Garrison, Dreyfus and Cassidy did not enter.

The judges were: F. G. O'Kane, A. M. King and M. A. Land. Timers: C. A. Jellinck, H. C. Cassidy and Captain Walter Scott. The Alpine Club intends to have similar races, open to the members of the old P. C. A. A. A., each month.

SHELL MOUND PARK.

Reopening of the Famous Picnic Grounds Across the Bay.

The opening of Shell Mound Park for the picnic season of 1891 took place yesterday under most favorable auspices. Captain L. Siebe, the proprietor, as usual had issued a number of invitations to his friends, the weather was everything that could be desired, and from the time the gates opened in the morning until the shades of night fell, the pretty park was crowded with delighted visitors.

Captain Siebe was ubiquitous in his attention to his guests and had provided amusement for all. In the morning there was a concert from 10 o'clock until noon, and from 1 o'clock in the afternoon until 6 there was dancing in the pavilion. Then all day there was bowling in the fine bowling alley and shooting at the targets, handsome cash prizes being provided for the winners at each.

When it got too dark to see the ninepins in the alley or the rings on the targets, the band played "Home, Sweet Home," and the pleasure seekers, after giving three cheers for Siebe, departed for their homes, all well pleased with the delightful day they had spent at the opening of Shell Mound Park.

Depend-On-Me Wins.

An interesting coursing meeting was held at Ocean View Park yesterday. Juno outran Tramp by a scratch, but in the race between Rose of Tralee and Lady Hynes the former had a walkover. Depend-on-Me vanquished Fly, and Freestone ran a bye, Run-in-Luck failing to come to slip.

In the first run-off Juno distanced Rose of Tralee and Depend-on-Me beat Bianco, Freestone running a bye. In the second run-off Freestone beat Juno and Depend-on-Me ran a bye.

The final race, deciding the stake winners, was the most exciting, Depend-on-Me taking the $20 from Freestone, the latter coming in for the second prize, $12. Juno carried off the third stake, $5.

Pigeon-Shooting at Bay View.

The Alta Gun Club held its first bluerock pigeon-shooting match of the season at Bay View yesterday. Out of a possible 20 S. Holden shot 15 birds, L. Urbais 14, P. la Gasey 11, B. Van Darling 10, R. Urbais 12, A. Poimeyer 9, B. Holden 8, J. Sullivan 18. The next meeting will take place on the 22d inst.

PEDDLERS ORGANIZE.

A Committee to Look After Their Interests.

Pursuant to a call issued through the newspapers nearly 200 peddlers of this city met yesterday afternoon at 733 Mission street for the purpose of forming an organization and adopting some means of protecting their interests.

Joseph Cole, who acted as temporary Chairman, informed those present that the Retail Fruit-dealers' Union had seen fit to petition the Board of Supervisors to raise the license of peddlers from $10 to $50 a quarter. This increased license would be practically prohibitory of peddling. The retailers, he said, claim that our license being so much smaller than theirs, we can sell cheaper, but in proportion to the volume of trade done we pay a larger license than they do now.

It was decided to form a permanent organization under the name of the Peddlers' Protective Union, and the following officers were elected: President, J. Callahan; Vice-President, D. Gatchi; Secretary, J. Cole; Assistant Secretary, A. Oliva; Treasurer, M. Bloom; Sergeant-at-Arms, J. Bowen; Trustees—A. Barsotti, G. Pera, J. Lyons. The Treasurer filed a bond of $300 for the faithful performance of his duties.

Vice-President Garbini spoke in Italian, and Messrs. Callahan and Cole in English, of the necessity of the peddlers contributing to a fund for employing a lawyer for the purpose of presenting their case before the License Committee of the Board of Supervisors. A committee consisting of Messrs. A. Barsotti, G. Lazzarini, G. Valletto, J. Cole and J. Lyons was appointed to prepare a petition and present it to the License Committee at its next meeting.

Before adjourning over 260 signed the roll and $196 was contributed by them to the funds of the union.

MISSIONARY WORK.

Bishop Hare Speaks of His Labor Among the Indians.

Bishop W. H. Hare, an Episcopal missionary, who has labored long and earnestly among the Sioux of South Dakota, lectured last evening at Trinity Church on the "Indian Question." He spoke exclusively of the Sioux nation, which is the largest in the United States and composed of twelve tribes numbering all told about 25,000 souls.

Of the progress of missionary work among the different tribes he said that forty-three congregations had been established, enlisting the services of nineteen native ministers, who are working faithfully for the uplifting of their race and the dissemination of the Christian religion. About 2000 were converted last year, and during that time some $3500 was contributed for charitable purposes by the several congregations.

The Bishop thinks that the solution of the Indian question is to be found only in definite and persistent effort toward Christian education.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. D. P. Bowers is at the Occidental.

Dr. Blondin of Stockton is at the Palace.

J. Gambetta of Stockton is at the Baldwin.

E. D. Carver of Madera is registered at the Lick.

F. E. Dangerfield of Monterey is a guest of the Lick.

J. R. Hudson of Watsonville is stopping at the Palace.

W. H. Seaman of Los Angeles is quartered at the Palace.

William Beckman of Sacramento is in the city. He is at the Grand.

F. W. Hatch and wife, of Agnews, are stopping at the Occidental.

B. Cussier of Chico is at the Grand. He is accompanied by his wife.

A. Linnsky, the Stockton attorney, is among the guests at the Grand.

R. W. Mitchell, a newspaper man of long standing in the northwest, and Secretary and Superintendent of the Portland Exposition Association, is at the Baldwin.

Appointed Night Steward.

Frederick Muller has received the appointment of night steward of the City Receiving Hospital, in the place of Fred Larkey, who has returned to his studies at the Toland Medical College. Mr. Muller is recently of Hoboken, where he practiced medicine.

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WITHOUT PAPERS.

Arrival of the Scandinavia From Santa Rosalia.

A Mexican Customs Officer on Board—Queer Demands of the Consignees—Refused Entry at San Diego.

The English tramp steamer Scandinavia steamed into port about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and was boarded by a CALL reporter before she got to Meiggs Wharf. This is the vessel that ran away from Santa Rosalia on February 21st with half her cargo of coal and coke on board, without going through the formality of getting her clearance papers from the Mexican authorities. The runaway was next heard of at San Diego, where she called in to replenish her supply of coal and was promptly seized by the authorities at that port pending an investigation.

A MEXICAN OFFICER.

There was a Mexican Custom-house officer on board the ship when she left Lower California and he is on board her yet. In reply to a question put by the reporter as to whether he was carried off against his will or not, the man shrugged his shoulders and replied "No sabe."

The captain was then seen, and on being asked to give his reasons for his sudden departure from the Mexican port replied: "You will have to see the owners. It is none of my pie. I aint running the ship."

Inquiries were then made for the owners, and in a moment the reporter was surrounded by half a dozen men who wanted to know his business with them. The ship seemed to be full of them, and from their actions it was plain that the captain had little to say in the management of the vessel.

THE OWNERS' STORY.

Once more the reporter asked the reason of their mysterious departure from Santa Rosalia, and this time all of the ship's numerous owners began to speak at once, each telling the story in a different way.

From what could be gleaned from their stories, the ship sailed from Cardiff with a cargo of 600 tons of coal, consigned to a French company at Santa Rosalia, where she arrived after a voyage of seventy-four days. The work of discharging the cargo then began, the coal and coke being loaded into lighters belonging to the French company. The lighters, so the owners claim, were very small, only capable of carrying three tons at a trip, and were built of iron. On account of the small size of the lighters the work of discharging the cargo was a slow one, but all went well until a gale of wind came on.

RESULT OF A STORM.

Santa Rosalia is an open roadstead, and instead of hauling the frail barges up on the beach out of the way of wind and water, the manager directed that they be anchored out in the roads. The gale was too much for them, however, and they all filled and went to the bottom.

At this stage of the story the owners of the steamer became quite excited. "What do you think they had the gall to ask?" shouted one. "The Frenchman had the cheek to tell us to bring the rest of the cargo ashore in the ship's boats. What do you think of that?"

We told him to send to some port and get lighters to finish unloading the cargo or let the ship go to some other port and discharge it. This they refused to do, in spite of our frequent petitions. They also refused to pay demurrage for detaining the ship, and told us they would not pay any freight until all the cargo was ashore."

NOTICE GIVEN.

"We gave them fair notice," said another speaker, "that we would leave Santa Rosalia and go to San Francisco if they did not furnish the lighters to take the cargo out of the ship. We waited ten days to see what they would do, and, as they took no steps toward unloading the vessel, we went ashore and demanded our clearance papers from the Collector, but he declined to give them, as he was afraid of offending the rich mining company the coal was consigned to.

"Finding it useless to stay there any longer, we left Santa Rosalia at 10 o'clock on the morning of February 14th. We intended to come straight to San Francisco, but ran short of coal, and preferring not to use the cargo still on board, decided to put into San Diego, where we arrived February 21st.

TROUBLE AT SAN DIEGO.

"Then the trouble with the American officials began. They refused us entry, as we had no papers, and even refused to let us coal the ship, and told us we would have to stay there until they got orders what to do in the case. Anybody would think we were a set of infernal pirates by the way we have been treated. It is outrageous, and I wont stand it, sir."

"They telegraphed to Washington, and in reply were told to let us go, but still the San Diego officials detained us there until ordered from Washington to release the ship."

In answer to a question the reporter was informed that the Mexican Consul in San Diego fully exonerated the ship from all blame in the matter, and said the owners had done right in putting to sea.

A GOOD STAYER.

"Why did you run away with the Custom-house officer?" was the next question.

"We did not run off with him; he was told to stay on board the steamer no matter where she went, and, by George, sir, he stayed!"

The vessel by this time was off Broadway Wharf, close to the revenue cutters Rush and Corwin, the sight of which seemed to fascinate the steamer's numerous owners. They acted as if they fully expected the cutters to open fire upon them.

"I don't see the use of anchoring so close to those vessels," said one the owners, after a long look at the murderous battery of the Corwin. They were informed that the vessel was anchored close in so as to make it convenient for them to go ashore.

The Scandinavia is a screw steamer of 1158 tons register, and is owned by John Meek of Liverpool.

"ONDERLINGE KRACHT."

Regular Meeting of the Netherlands Society Batavia.

The regular meeting of the Netherlands Society Batavia was held last night at the rooms of the society, 539 California street, E. T. Carvolho presiding.

A plan of systematic benevolence was discussed, but no definite scheme was formulated. A proposal to admit any unobjectionable candidate for membership was lost, and the requirement, provided that all members must speak the Dutch language.

Five names were proposed for membership, and these will be voted upon next Sunday evening. The society was organized January 11th, and there are already thirty-one names on the roll.

The subject of adopting badges was considered, and the general plan of organization discussed.

Upon the conclusion of the business, the society entered upon a social session, with D. Van Erp as master of ceremonies. Cigars and glasses were produced, and an evening of jovial goodfel lowship ensued. All present sang standing the Dutch national hymn, "Wien Neerlandsch bloed," and then an impromptu programme of songs and recitations was rendered.

The officers elected to serve during the first six months are as follows: E. T. Carvolho, President; James Penninck, Secretary; K. Kuursma, Treasurer; William Bootsman, Archivaris; A. Steenberger, Assistant Archivaris; D. Van Erp, Assessor I; Andrew Brandt, Assessor II.

NAAMAN THE LEPER.

The Lesson Which the Healing Is Intended to Convey.

In opening the lesson of the Bible class yesterday Mrs. Cooper explained that the healing of Naaman, the Syrian, shows, first, that the obscure and the lowly have the power of doing good; and second, that no condition of life is exempt from sorrow and discipline.

The sunshine of life is often hidden behind the thick clouds of adversity. But when life's lesson has been learned, seeming defeat may turn out to be the soul's salvation, and no spirit, safe at last in the eternal light, will have lost aught by the clouds of darkness which have wandered over it. The light divine is thenceforth the dearer and the clearer. It is God who mingles our lots, and he can make prosperity wholesome and adversity tolerable.

THE CLIFF HOUSE AND PARK.

They Were Visited by Thousands of People Yesterday.

Golden Gate Park and the Cliff House were visited by thousands of people yesterday, the salubrious weather drawing everybody from indoors to enjoy the new spring verdure and fresh sea breeze. From an early hour in the forenoon until the setting of the sun the park presented a veritable sea of faces, the shady lanes and wooded hillsides being the favorite resorts. The hills commanding a view of the ocean were dotted with people from the Cliff House for miles down the beach, and every one who owned or could procure a team found his way to the park, where the driveways, in beautiful condition for driving after the late rains, were constantly choked with carriages. It is estimated that the throng numbered no less than 20,000 people.

The different railroad lines were unable to accommodate all those desiring to ride, although every available car was run, several being taken from other lines.

"SENSITIVE INIQUITY."

Rev. Dr. Easton Ably Scores Venal Journalism.

The subject of Rev. Dr. Easton's sermon at Calvary Church last night was "The Sensitive Spirit of Iniquity." The reverend gentleman spoke first upon social liability and then upon the spontaneous revelations of conscience.

In the development of his theme he said life contains a mixture of good and evil, both of which exist in every heart. Life is a network of nerves of exquisite sensibility, and men are bound together by mutual implications. The great facts of social implications reveal to us how our companions live and how they work themselves out to their ultimate destiny for good or evil. We cannot touch sin without being contaminated. Truth brings out all the black spots in our nature and the soul is unable to conceal its sin. Every soul that consents to join another soul in complicity of evil is walking on powder among sparks of fire.

Sin has a sensitive spirit which divulges its own secret and renders concealment impossible. Death alone hides sin, and suicide is always a confession. The conscience sometimes becomes hardened and then sin seeks concealment. The man who cries "fire" is apt to be the incendiary. There are some men who are very punctilious regarding their creed and orthodoxy who cannot be trusted with a counterfeit $10 bill.

Dr. Easton then referred to the personal attack made upon him last Monday by the Stock Report, which he described as a "carrion monger." "I had spoken," he said, "of the evils of the saloon, and this so-called newspaper squirmed and squealed with the shock and scream of a stricken owl—the sensitive spirit of iniquity. When a Christian minister denounces gambling, and includes under this head the lottery dragon, this venal press rushes to the gambler's defense. When Chinese prostitution is censured some venal wretch who has his price will defend the practice upon the score of vested rights. Swell villainy can be seen walking the streets of our city in broadcloth and diamonds, and this rascality receives recognition from a characterless sheet which circulates in the community. The cords of self-interest are stronger than the bands of truth or piety. A newspaper which defends immorality and attacks those who denounce sin must be sensitive of its own shortcoming and fancies itself criticized. 'Master, thou reproachest me.'"

Dr. Easton's eloquent and scathing remarks were attentively followed by the large congregation. He concluded his sermon by an urgent invitation to those conscious of their sin to be redeemed by the blood of the lamb.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A New Haven physician who refused to attend an urgent case on the ground that he had a previous engagement has been fined $10.

A new French directory has just been issued at Worcester, Mass. That city has 10,166 French-Canadians among its inhabitants.

Seventeen persons who died in England in 1890 bequeathed to various charities the enormous sum of £474,700, equal to about $2,373,000.

A large number of gold and bronze antiquities have been discovered lately in the west of Ireland. They will go to the museum at Dublin.

Natural gas is reported to have been discovered at Cleveland, in Yorkshire, England, and the owners of the land refuse to sell at any price.

Evidence in a New York breach of promise suit proved that twenty persons were present when the defendant promised to marry the plaintiff.

A clergyman in New York has declined to permit an engaged couple to rehearse in his church the wedding ceremony which is to be performed at Easter.

A rare specimen of humanity was picked up by the police of New York City the other night. It is a baby, the offspring of a Chinaman and an Indian squaw.

Reports from Maine tell of a meteor as large as the moon. The bright visitor burst over Madison village, that State, shaking the ground as if by an earthquake.

A Maine man went sleigh riding with his daughter who wore a bright red wrap, and they were chased two miles by a bull that objected to the color of the garment.

A hog remained at the bottom of a well into which it had fallen for forty-one days. It only lost thirty-five pounds in weight, though it was without food the whole time.

A scientist says that the arc electric light results from the vaporization of carbon. It is estimated from theoretical grounds that to produce this over 10,000° Fahrenheit is required.

There is a woman in Atchison, Kans., who sets a chair at the table every day for husband, who died over a year ago. In his plate she never fails to place a little bouquet of flowers.

Four Baltimore negroes have eaten nothing but chicken for the last six months. As the fowls devoured did not belong to them, they will now subsist on prison fare for some time.

There are 3983 paper-mills in the world, turning out 1,904,000,000 pounds of paper annually, half of which is used for printing, 600,000,000 pounds being required for newspapers alone.

The faculty of Harvard University have permitted a Japanese student to enter the University, substituting Chinese and Japanese for the Latin and Greek ordinarily required at entrance.

An Orange (N. J.) clergyman, having threatened to cowhide young men whom he may catch loitering around his church-door waiting on the girls, a local paper says that one by one the inducements for young men to draw near to religious comfort fade away.

A Farmers' Alliance representative has introduced in the Kansas Legislature a bill providing that any person who will file a petition stating that he or she is of good moral character shall be permitted to practice law, whether the petitioner knows any law or not.

The defeated candidate for Supervisor in Southfield, Richmond County, N. Y., reports his election expenses as follows: Professional services, 45 cents; shoe-shine, 5 cents; chewing tobacco, 15 cents; Weiss beer, 60 cents; sarsaparilla, 20 cents; soda water, 10 cents; copying, 15 cents; beer, $2 05.