CHARRED REMAINS.

An Oakland Woman Burned to Death Near Lotus.

A Barn Destroyed by Fire and the Body Found in the Ashes.

Suit Against the Southern Pacific Railroad Company for Alleged False Imprisonment.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

PLACERVILLE, June 1.—A Mrs. Colwell, a widow, and a resident of Oakland, was burned to death last night at the residence of her son, Ralph Colwell, near Lotus. Ralph Colwell, with his wife, left his home in the afternoon to visit friends near Coloma, leaving his mother alone at the house. Returning about 11 o'clock at night they found Mrs. Colwell absent from the house. Looking about their place they discovered that the barn had been reduced to ashes and discovered her charred remains near where the door of the barn stood. No satisfactory theory has been yet advanced as to the cause of the fire or the manner of her death.

SUIT AGAINST A RAILROAD.

Action for Damages From the Southern Pacific for Alleged False Imprisonment.

CARSON (Nev.), June 1.—The case of Asa M. Hamilton vs. the Southern Pacific Company commenced in the United States Circuit Court to-day. Hamilton was taken off the train at Lovelocks, Nev., January 24, 1889, in irons, for refusing to sign a first-class unlimited ticket from New York to San Francisco. On cross-examination he admitted having purchased the ticket of a broker in Denver, which entitled him to stop over in San Francisco before going to Los Angeles. Did not know when he would go to Los Angeles, claiming that he had a right to sell it. The train-hands endeavored to force him from the train at Rye Patch first. Hamilton drew a revolver and protested his rights, pointing the weapon at the ceiling and warning the hands to remain at a distance. The conductor telegraphed on to the Sheriff at Lovelocks, and at that point he was taken off and arrested. The plaintiff had sufficient money at that time to pay his fare to San Francisco, and was arrested without a warrant. A. A. Son and M. L. Levy, of San Francisco, both corroborated the testimony. The plaintiff claims that the false imprisonment, loss of time and other indignities suffered entitle him to sue for $100,000. McMillan, Woodburn and Lindsay appear for the plaintiff, and Baker, Wines and Dorsey for the railroad company. Many witnesses for the company are present, and a magnate or two are expected soon. The case was continued over until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

THE ROBERT AND MINNIE

Violation of Neutrality Case Set for Trial and the Vessel Released.

LOS ANGELES, June 1.—The cases of Richard L. Trumbull, George A. Bort and Captain James O'Farrell, charged with violation of the neutrality laws, was to-day set for trial September 16th. The five sailors of the Robert and Minnie held as witnesses are still in jail, and unless bail is given for them they will have to remain in prison until that time. The schooner Robert and Minnie will probably be released to-morrow, a bond having been given for $5000 as requested.

FRUIT SHIPMENTS.

Increase in Vacaville Products—First Peaches for the East.

VACAVILLE, June 1.—Fourteen car-loads of fruit were shipped from here last month as against five car-loads during the same period last year. These shipments were mainly cherries, the cool weather keeping other fruits back. The crop throughout the valley is immense.

WINTERS, June 1.—G. W. Honclay sent the first shipment of peaches to Chicago in a car which left here Saturday. This is the first shipment of peaches to leave the State.

YOSEMITE VALLEY.

An Important Meeting of the Commissioners to Be Held This Week.

WAWONA, June 1.—Governor Markham arrived here to-night. He is on his way to the Yosemite to preside over the Yosemite Valley Commission for this year. He is accompanied by Commissioners Kidder, Chapman, Crisp, O'Brien, Madden and Eastland. All the Commissioners are in the valley now awaiting the arrival of the Governor. The meeting will probably take place on Wednesday. Taber and Pixley are the only absent ones. Several important leases are to be made at this session.

UNDER ONE GOVERNMENT.

Portland, East Portland and Albina Vote in Favor of Consolidation.

PORTLAND, June 1.—The total number of votes cast at the election to-day in Portland, East Portland and Albina on the question of consolidation under one city government was 11,840. Of these Portland cast 7165 for consolidation and 945 against; East Portland, 1823 for and 298 against, and Albina, 1138 for and 462 against. The total majority in the three cities for consolidation is 10,126. An election under the new charter will be held on June 21st. The anti-consolidationists gave up the fight early in the day.

DIED IN A CELL.

Death of a Man Supposed to Be a San Francisco Drummer in Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, June 1. — To-day a man was taken to the County Jail for safe keeping. At 8 o'clock to-night he was found dead in the cell. Documents found on his person indicate that his name is J. E. Newman. Cards in his pocket leave the impression that the deceased was a drummer for Meyerstein's paper-box factory, 38 Market street, San Francisco. He was apparently 35 years of age.

THE OSTRICH FARM.

Sale of Birds and Feathers to Satisfy a Judgment for Debt.

ANAHEIM, June 1.—Ninety-five birds, belonging to the ostrich farm, near Anaheim, were sold this afternoon to satisfy a judgment against the farm. The birds brought $1600. A lot of feathers brought $200. Only enough of the property was sold to liquidate the debt. It is understood the birds were bid in for the company.

IN WAR PAINT AND FEATHERS.

Indians Assembling Near Carson to Hold Their Annual Dance.

CARSON (Nev.), June 1.—Some 300 Indians have assembled near Carson to hold a fandango this week. Witch fires, powwows, devil dances, etc., will be the order of the programme. Several leading chiefs are on hand with war-paint and feathers.

The Colusa Election Cases.

MARYSVILLE, June 1.—In the Colusa election fraud cases to-day nothing of an important character was developed. The defense has but three more witnesses to examine and then arguments, which are expected to last two or three days, will begin. The trial of the next case is set for Thursday, but it is thought an effort will be made to have it go over this term of court. No arrangements have been made to pay witness fees.

A $10,000 Fire.

HUNTINGTON (Or.), June 1.—Shortly after noon to-day a fire started in the barn of Isenhofer & Cropper, butchers, consuming the barn and meat market. The Chinese store of Chung Lou, the dwelling-house of Gee Duulap and the new Commercial Hotel were also destroyed. Three head of horses belonging to Isenhoffer & Cropper were burned. The total loss is estimated at $10,000, with no insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The Wheatland Hail-Storm.

WHEATLAND, June 1.—The hail-storm reported Saturday evening was confined to an area of about four square miles. No serious damage was done. Some little grain was beaten down and orchards relieved of surplus fruit. The grasshopper pest was practically cleaned out.

Indian Scouts.

CLIFTON (Ariz.), June 1.—An Indian scout has deserted from the command of Lieutenant Irwin, Second Cavalry, on the Gila. He was called "Loco Jim," and another of the scouts, named Josh, was arrested by Sheriff Little of Apache County for murder.

Found in the Surf.

HUENEME, June 1.—The body of an unknown man was found in the surf about three miles below here late to-day. He was of heavy build, about 5 feet 10 inches in height and wore a checked shirt. The Coroner was notified and will hold an inquest to-morrow morning.

To Guard Against Squatters.

VANCOUVER, June 1.—First Lieutenant Cabell, with a detachment of fifteen men from the Fourteenth Infantry, left here this afternoon for the Puyallup Indian Reservation, under orders from the War Department to keep squatters off the reservation.

A Shower of Bees.

PLACERVILLE, June 1.—A peculiar feature of yesterday's stormy weather was a shower of bumble-bees, which passed over the town in a southerly direction. They fell in such numbers as to cover the ground with a black mass of dead and dying bees.

Fatal Result.

MERCED, June 1.—William Maloney, who was accidentally shot near here last week by the careless handling of a gun by a young lady whom he was visiting, died today from the effects of the wound.

Suicide of a Stage-Driver.

TUCSON, June 1.—Jeremiah Gibbons, better known as "Jack Dawson," an old stage-driver, committed suicide at the County Hospital here last night, cutting his throat and then drowning himself in a tank of water.

Browns Valley Irrigation District.

MARYSVILLE, June 1.—Lively times are expected at the meeting of the Browns Valley Irrigation District Directors to-morrow, owing to the recent suspension of work by the contractors.

Governor Irwin at Tucson.

TUCSON, June 1.—Governor Irwin made his first visit here to-day, when 3000 citizens greeted him at an open-air reception. A grand ball will be tendered the Governor to-morrow night.

Preparing for the Fourth.

WINTERS, June 1.—Winters will celebrate the Fourth of July this year, for the first time in its history. The citizens met last Saturday and appointed committees.

MRS. M'DOWELL'S DEATH.

Incidents of the Tragedy Described by the Victim's Brother Before a Jury.

MERCED (Cal.), June 1.—When the court opened this morning testimony in the Hale murder case was commenced. The first witness was County Surveyor Robinson, who testified to the location of the house where the tragedy took place; also the roads leading to it and the houses in the neighborhood.

Perry McDowell, the husband of the murdered woman, said he had been married three years; have a boy 2 years old. My wife's mother, Mrs. Middleton, lives about fifteen miles from my house. I took my wife there to visit on December 25th last; she was murdered January 8th. My wife had received threatening letters from Hale's wife. Witness was then excused to hunt up the letters, that they may be read to the jury.

The examination of witnesses in the Hale case was resumed this afternoon. J. S. Middleton, a brother of the murdered woman, described the incidents at the house on the night of the murder. He said the family was sitting in the parlor after supper. Lottie, the murdered woman, was sitting near the stove with her little three-year-old son leaning in her lap, watching her make shadow pictures on the wall for his amusement. The rest of the family was watching her also, when the assassin fired the shot that ended the young mother's life. When the shot was heard the family thought something had exploded. Middleton saw Lottie fall and ran and picked her up; saw blood, then saw she was shot. Her mother swooned, and it was several minutes before any one thought of looking for the murderer. When they did he could not be found, but tracks were discovered leading to Hale's house.

Mrs. Middleton testified that she saw Hale ride by her house the morning of the murder. She also met him when out riding with Lottie that day.

Several other witnesses testified to seeing Hale near the scene of the murder that day.

A COURT OF INQUIRY.

An Accused Army Officer Asks for an Investigation.

CHICAGO, June 1.—A Washington special says: Captain A. C. Markley, an army officer stationed at Fort Thomas, Ariz., charged by his men with cruel treatment, has anticipated the action of the War Department by applying himself for a court of inquiry to investigate the accusations. The members of his company, a colored troop, signed a "round robin," in which they accused Captain Markley of "unauthorised intimidation and profanity almost continually when on drills and formations," and of "allowing a disgraceful and bogus check system and gambling in the company." For signing this "round robin" thirty-two men were tried and convicted, but were subsequently released by General McCook, who, in a general order issued from headquarters, Department of Arizona, severely rebuked Captain Markley for his treatment of his men and for violating the regulations in permitting gambling in his company. In the letter asking for the court of inquiry received at the War Department Captain Markley denies the charges.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

Statement of the Financial Situation of the Government.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—The following is a synopsis of the public debt statement issued to-day: The aggregate of the interest-bearing debt, exclusive of United States bonds issued to the Pacific railroads is $610,529,120; debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, $1,647,505; aggregate debt bearing no interest, including national bank funds deposited in the Treasury under act of July 14, 1890, $395,848,601; aggregate of certificates and notes offset by cash in the Treasury, $538,190,649; aggregate of debt, including certificates and notes, May 31, 1891, $1,546,215,875; decrease of bonded debt during the month, $2,209,168. Total cash in the Treasury, $697,077,366. Debt, less cash in the Treasury, May 31, 1891, $849,138,508; debt, less cash in the Treasury April 30, 1891, $848,515,593; net increase of debt during the month, $622,915.

THE UNION PACIFIC.

No Danger of Going Into the Hands of a Receiver.

NEW YORK, June 1.—Russell Sage says: "The report that the Union Pacific has a floating debt of $20,000,000 is a lie, unqualified and unmitigated. The company has less than $10,000,000, and that was piled up under the old administration. Affairs are now different, and without being specially sanguine, I say there is no danger of the company being forced into the hands of a receiver. There is every reason to believe a corporation which can earn $20,000,000 a year will rise superior to the present alleged tribulations. There is neither excuse nor apology for the report, which is put out to scare people into selling stock."

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

VLADIVOSTOCK, June 1.—The Czarowitz today opened the first portion of the Trans-Siberian Railroad.

LONDON, June 1.—Cardinal Manning has issued an official translation of the Pope's encyclical on the social question.

TROY (N. Y.), June 1.—The Grand Jury to-day indicted George Dixon and Cal McCarthy for fighting a prize-fight in Troy on March 31st.

DUBLIN, June 1.—Moonlighters last night fatally shot a farmer named Crowley in County Donegal. Crowley had rented a farm from which a former tenant had been evicted.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—The debt statement issued this afternoon shows that the increase in the public debt during May amounted to $622,915 57. The total cash in the Treasury is $697,077,366 97.

TORONTO, June 1.—Reports from various parts of the country state that the crops are suffering greatly from the long-continued drought. If rain does not come within a week the consequences will be serious.

LONDON, June 1.—The Times, referring to the Pope's encyclical, says: It is doubtful whether the questions are handled with success. Yet it abounds in remarks that deserve attention and it breathes throughout a spirit of Christian charity.

The Lucerne Petition.

ST. LOUIS, June 1.—It is authoritatively stated here that the so-called Lucerne petition to the Pope, asking that institutions be established in different parts of Europe for the education of priests, who shall accompany emigrants of their nationality and care for them after their arrival in America, was concocted in this city. This is the petition which the Bishop of St. Paul referred to in an interview as thoroughly un-American. He did not see the necessity of foreignizing American Catholics.

GENERAL SPORTS.

Smith and Slavin Matched to Fight to a Finish.

A Contest With Swords and Foils—Jackson Draws Down $2500—Another Club Spoken Of.

The Directors of the California Club have agreed that on the 23d inst.—the night of the Mahon and Maber fight—a contest with swords and foils shall take place between Professors Ansel and Truffe to decide the championship of America. Peter Jackson, who was present at the meeting, "drew down" the sum of $2500, which the club allowed him for "services rendered" at the recent exhibition. The colored heavy-weight champion said that he would sign articles again to fight Corbett at the California Club or any other club, excepting the Olympic Club of New Orleans, if suitable inducements would be offered.

JACKSON AND CORBETT.

Jackson will be ready to fight the winner of the Kilrain and Slavin ten-round contest in any club that will "hang up" a purse of $10,000. Peter will remain in this city for some time.

His intention was to leave on the next steamer for Australia, but now that Goddard is matched to fight Choynski he has given up the idea of a voyage to the Colonies and will rest at ease at his old training station near San Leandro.

Corbett will leave to-day for Portland, Oregon. He says that he has had enough of "no contest" fights and that he will "lay to" for another year before he will talk fight again.

A FIGHT TO A FINISH.

The Directors of the Occidental club have matched Billy Smith and "Blondey" Slavin, both of Australia, to fight to a finish on the evening of June 30th. The men will enter the ring at 163 pounds and the consideration is $1400.

Smith will train with Willis at Sausalito and Slavin will be trained by his brother Bill at Alameda. Both fighters are of the hard-hitting class, wherefore the contest promises to be spirited while it lasts.

It is rumored that a movement is on foot to organize a new athletic club, and that the organizers of the scheme are principally dissatisfied members of the California Club. It is strange that there are so many people who so far forget themselves, owing to a "love for the sport," that they blindly rush into the fire without anticipating the result until singed.

A COURSING MEET.

On Sunday an eight-dog stake will be run at Ocean View for a $60 consideration. The following is the result of the drawing which took place a few evenings ago at 1120 Howard street:

Cronin's Depend on Me vs. Tiernan's Glen Faren; Tiernan's Catherine Hays vs. Walton's Fly; Wieland's Examiner vs. Cronin's Jenny G; Flynn's Lady Bess vs. Wieland's Freestone.

The officers of the day will be:

John Grace, judge; J. McCormack, slipper; field stewards—John Egan, Charles S. Wieland and Thomas Flynn.

As the hares are now running strong some good sport may be expected.

CORINTHIAN YACHT SAIL.

Several members of the Corinthian Yacht Club took a sail up to Petaluma Creek and return on Saturday and Sunday. Some of the small craft did not venture up the river owing to the rough state of the water, which was good judgment, as many of the pleasure-seekers would have received a good ducking. The next event of club interest will be a sail for the Keil trophy on Saturday, after which a run will be had to Quarry Cove.

The Sportsmen's Protective Association will meet this evening at Ixora Hall.

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL.

Commencement Exercises and Awards Made.

The first commencement exercises ever held in the St. Peter's School, on Twenty-fourth street, took place last night before an audience of about 500 people. The programme was brilliant in every number and each participant did honor to his able teacher, Brother Euphrasius, and his able assistants.

There were present the following notables: Rev. Father Casey of St. Peter's, Father Lynch of St. James, Father Cummings of St. Charles, Fathers Lavinis and Wreker of St. Peter's, Father Bettelin of St. Mary's College and Father Genebern, President of the Sacred Heart; also several of the Christian Brothers of Oakland and San Francisco.

The programme was as follows:

Music, "Espagnol Waltz," orchestra; song, "Flag of the Free," choir; recitation, "The American Flag," F. J. Sullivan; vocal solo, "No Place Like Home," J. Gallagher; music, "Irish Airs," violin class; recitation, "A Sea Voyage," T. A. Ashe; vocal solo, "The Green Shores of Erin," F. J. Sullivan; recitation, "Discovery of San Francisco Bay," A. E. Curtis; vocal solo, "Teaching McFadden," T. J. Ward; piano solo, "Annie Laurie," E. J. Reynolds; recitation, "Bell of Atri," T. G. Maguire; vocal solo, "Sweet Bunch of Shamrock," B. T. Crawford; recitation, "The Exile of Erin," G. T. Pyne; vocal duet, "Sweetest Spot on Earth," select choir; music, selections from "Norma," orchestra; selection, "Robert, King of Sicily," senior class; solo and chorus, "Chiming Bells of Long Ago," J. A. Kendrick (soloist); recitation, "Flying Jim's Last Leap," B. T. Crawford; violin solo, "Danube Waltz," J. J. Gilfether; recitation, "Waiting for the Galleon," T. D. Maher; vocal solo, "O'Grady's Goat," T. A. Ashe; recitation, "Pancratius," J. J. Gilfether; song, "Battle Cry of Freedom," choir; recitation, "Emmet's Speech," G. J. Cleary; vocal duet, "Come Where the Roselands Sleep," select choir; recitation, "Ba tle of Bunker Hill," W. H. McCarthy; song, "Good Night," choir; music, "The Tar's Farewell," orchestra.

The certificates of promotion from the first class to the senior department were awarded to the following pupils:

James Markham, G. Pyne, T. O'Rourke, M. Silva, W. Sweetser, J. McKenny, W. S. Hacket and J. Skelly, Fred Johnson, J. Conway, J. Burke, J. Needham.

The following named received certificates of promotion for the first class:

M. McCann, J. A. Hendrick, C. Lyons, B. Crawford, A. Curtis, J. Fitzgerald, T. G. Maguire, A. McNeil, E. Bailey, J. Ward, Frank J. Rearden, James Hallahan, T. Ward, R. Fitzpatrick, John Godwin, Ben. Green, J. Sullivan, T. Hennessey and John Jones.

The following pupils are promoted into the first division, second class:

J. Gallagher, J. Scheffeld, M. Tanron, L. McEnhill, P. Murphy, H. Burke, W. D. Flynn, T. Crimmin, R. Jones, T. Maloney, James Roe, T. Patton and J. Duffy.

Certificates of promotion were awarded to the following pupils, and entitle them to enter into the second class:

W. Hughes, Frank J. Sullivan, J. Conroy, L. Cull, L. Haggerty, J. Finkham, T. Pendergast, J. Markham, J. Resch, W. Hashagan, C. Cavanagh, C. Skelly, F. Carrick, J. Bush and J. Maher.

The following boys are promoted into the first division, third class:

W. Fields, M. Meehan, P. J. Hughes, Frank Griffin, J. Jones, E. O'Day, J. McEnhill, P. Crouch, T. Cronin, E. O'Keeffe and R. Hanna.

Into the third class:

Frank Hicks, J. Callahan, J. Duffy, F. Leonard, J. O'Brien, W. Augustine, M. Callahan, F. Burns, J. Cluney, J. Trembly, E. Patton, T. McDonell, J. Kenney, H. Dorgeloh, J. Cassidy and A. Dray.

Into the first division, fourth class:

E. Rouzo, W. Crawford, J. Kennedy, H. Duffy, T. Foley, E. Crawford, L. Thomas, T. Keogh, S. Lovett, C. Finkham, H. Kramelly, J. Coleman, W. Jones, C. Benett, L. Dempsey, D. Flynn, J. Gainey, A. Judge, J. Grace, H. Resch and C. Smith.

The following award of medals was made:

In the senior class, a gold medal for Christian doctrine to J. J. Gilfethe; for elocution, to W. H. McCarthy; for mathematics, to George J. Cleary; for deportment and attendance, to T. D. Maher; for mathematics, to F. J. Reynolds.

In the first class, silver medals were awarded to T. A. O'Rourke for Christian doctrine, and to G. T. Pyne for penmanship.

In the second class, to J. A. Kendrick for Christian doctrine; to J. L. Fitzgerald and Arthur E. Curtis for penmanship.

In the third class, to W. Hughes for Christian doctrine.

The following young men having completed the prescribed course of studies received diplomas: G. J. Cleary, F. J. Reynolds, W. H. McCarthy, T. D. Maher and J. J. Gilfether.

MASCULINE HAIR.

Pointers as to the Proper Wearing of the Capillary Covering.

Men do not pay sufficient attention to their hair, affirms the New York Barber. They dress well, buy nobby foot and head gear, but often ignore the proper cut of their hair. In nine case out of ten look at a man's head when he removes his hat and you can readily distinguish his quality.

A gentleman never shaves his head close unless the condition of his hair requires it. Let the hair grow to a proper length, ordinarily from one and a half to two and a half inches. The length should conform to the skull and serve to conceal defects of contour and glaring deficiencies.

A big man with a thick, fleshy neck usually takes delight in shaving his head with a convict-like closeness until he bears a resemblance to a prize-fighter. He should let his hair grow long in the back without reaching down over his neck; that is, it should be lopped off gradually at the bottom. Grover Cleveland wears his in that way, whereas if it was cut close it would look abominable. A still greater aid in such cases is to part the hair slightly in the back. A person with a slim neck is not so easily advised. If he has a big bump at the base of the skull he should wear hair cut as close as possible without becoming vulgar. A low forehead should have the hair pushed upward.

Persons with narrow temples should comb the hair on each side forward instead of brushing it back, as is generally the case. Instruct the barber to cut that which grows closest to the temples extremely close, and by overlapping the thicker portions in front and cutting them off precisely where the forehead ends the effect is of wide temples merely covered by the hair. Above all things do not let the tonsorial fiend, as he often does, hack away the growth behind the ears.

THE PRESBYTERIANS.

Discussion in the General Assembly on Young People's Societies.

DETROIT, June 1.—At the Presbyterian General Assembly to-day the subject of young people's societies came up. There was lively discussion as to the liability of the Christian Endeavor Society becoming too independent. The special object of the resolutions discussed seemed to be the formation of Westminster leagues, to take the place of Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor. Elder Shepard of Philadelphia and others took part in the discussion, saying the Christian Endeavor movement was direct from God, and they should beware of antagonizing it and attempting to restrict it within a rigid ecclesiastical line.

Dr. McKibsen thought an ironclad pledge to take part in prayer meetings and attend monthly consecration meetings established lines that are systematically excluding those whom the churches would admit. He charged that Universalist and Unitarian societies were now in full fellowship.

After some further talk on the subject the entire report was adopted, with the resolution for a standing committee on the subject struck out.

The Publication Board matter then came up. Dr. Simmons exonerated the Board and its employes from any blame as to the unwise and wasteful methods unearthed at Philadelphia, but said they did not know all they should know in order to manage such a vast business. The committee recommended that three experts be put on the board and have control of matters of which they have particular knowledge.

The necessity of changes involving annual savings of $30,000 is acknowledged. The recommendations of the Committee of Seven were adopted and both committees discharged.

Dr. Baker reported from his Committee on Constitutionality a plan for bringing together the unemployed ministers and vacant churches, advising that the matter be referred to the presbyteries, as a recommendation rather than an instruction.

Dr. Lowrey reported from the Committee on the Revision of Texts, recommending that the committee be continued, and that shorter catechisms be provided with texts. Adopted.

At the afternoon session Dr. Junkin moved that the Committee on Seal be continued until the next assembly. This was lost, and Dr. Wright, for the chairman, recommended that the device be an open Bible, and that the committee have a suitable draft at the next assembly. Adopted.

The assembly decided that it cannot send delegates to other than ecclesiastical bodies and so cannot send them to the temperance congress at Saratoga.

The Committee on Canvass of Answers from Presbyteries to the Overtures on Deaconesses, reported that these answers were not in accord with each other, and the matter was referred back to the Committee on Deaconess.

The Judicial Committee reported on several matters, the last being the chronic one of Dr. Nathaniel West against the synod of Minnesota. The committee advised that the case of Dr. West be dismissed. Adopted.

The Committee on Worldly Amusements reported, through Dr. Torrence, that they do not say the theater or dancing are wrong in themselves, but their accessories often are. Cards derive their attention from the element of chance in them. The committee hopes that progressive euchre is diminishing. Civil courts have already decided it to be gambling. The committee recommended that declarations of past assemblies, especially that of 1879, be reaffirmed and the one against progressive euchre adopted. Report accepted and placed on file, and after some warm discussion sent back to the committee to have the clauses recommending discipline for these amusements eliminated.

The Committee on Narrative reported an encouraging general increase in the work and contributions of churches. The entire present membership is 798,445, a net gain of 27,445; total contributions for home expenses and benevolence, $13,536,240. There have been many smaller revivals rather than any general awakening. Young people's societies and women's religious and benevolent work are growing in volume and usefulness.

The Committee on Temperance reported encouraging progress in view of the small offerings for its promotion. The Women's temperance societies are surely the main factor in bringing about this result. The agitation for much needed reforms in laws and the enforcement thereof is spoken of. The President of the United States should be requested to secure the reversal of the Senate's refusal to unite in the prohibition of the liquor exportation to Africa, proposed by the Brussels Congress. Greater care should be taken to instruct young people systematically in temperance matters. Chairman Hayes of the committee said the more he studied the liquor question the more he wondered at the general apathy. Any other evil of equal importance would evoke a cyclone that would sweep it away at once. Still there are many and greater tokens of promise.

The propositions to advocate prohibition and against the renting of property for liquor selling were tabled. The proposition to ask the Senate to ratify the exclusion proposal of other powers was adopted, with some change.

Dr. Patton read the report of the Committee on Theological Seminaries. The new institution at Omaha applies to be received under the care of the assembly, but it is not certain that it will have sufficient resources. It was recommended that no action be taken at present. The report of the committee was adopted, except as to the seminary at Omaha.

Dr. Gordon of Omaha told of a gift of $25,000 worth of land, which is the nucleus of a hopeful endowment. Dr. White offered an amendment welcoming the proposed seminary, which was passed by a strong majority. Adjourned.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIANS.

Animated Debate in the Synod Over the Reading of a Letter.

PITTSBURG, June 1.—There was another lively session of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod this morning, caused by the reading of a letter written by Dr. McAllister, in which he claims that he was unfairly treated by the Synod Saturday in expunging from the records the record of the disapproval of his actions the day before. The discussion over the letter became very animated, but order was finally restored and the matter laid on the table for the present.

The request of Rev. Dr. Stevenson, editor of the Christian Statesman, for the withdrawal of the compromise resolution presented Saturday, for the reason that he was informed that the ministers under suspension would not consent to such a disposition of their case, created another breeze. Rev. J. R. J. Milligan denied the statement and said, as one of the suspended ministers, he is ready to meet the synod half way, and was not willing to have his case disposed of by resolution rather than by trial.

A New Coaling Station.

CHICAGO, June 1.—A dispatch from Washington says an offer is to be made to lease the port of Santa Barbara, on Samana Bay, in the island of San Domingo, for a coaling station, and in case of the acceptance of the offer by the Dominican republic, possession will be taken and Congress asked to appropriate the necessary sums to erect a dry-dock, coaling wharves and fortifications.

Eastern Sales of California Fruit.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Porter Bros.' Company sold to-day two car-loads of California fruit. Black Tartarian cherries brought $1 65 to $1 80; Royal Annes, $1 35 to $1 90; cherry plums, $1 25 to $2 10; Pringle apricots, $1 30 to $2 70; Thissel's Seedling apricots, $2 65 to $3 15; Black Bigarreau cherries, $1 45 to $1 50; Rockport cherries, $1 75; Centennial cherries, $1 55.

Secret Meeting of Railroad Organizations.

SCRANTON (Pa.), June 1. — A secret meeting of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Switchmen's Mutual Association was held here last night. It is believed the federation of the railroad organizations was discussed.

FLEET FLYERS.

Yesterday's Races at Chicago, Latonia and New York.

CHICAGO, June 1.—The winners in today's races were as follows:

Three-year-olds, five furlongs, Cee Jay Jay won, Judge Arkell second, Addie third. Time, 1:03¼.

Three-year-olds and upward, one mile, Fayette won, Little Scissors second, Sea Foam third. Time, 1:45.

Handicap, one and a quarter miles, Laura Davidson won, Atticus second, Bankrupt third. Time, 2:11.

Three-year-olds and upward, one and a sixteenth miles, Experience won, Burch second, Jack Murray third. Time, 1:51.

All ages, six furlongs, Helter Skelter won, Sourire second, The Kaiser third. Time, 1:31½.

At Latonia.

CINCINNATI, June 1.—The winners at the Latonia track to-day were:

One mile and seventy yards, Happiness won, Estelle second, Red Sign third. Time, 1:47¼.

One mile, Mirabeau won, Brutus second, Happy third. Time, 1:48¼.

Eight and a half furlongs, Rosemont won, Bertha second, Alan Bane third. Time, 1:52½.

One and a quarter miles, Ida Pickwick won, Mary C second, Cantatrice third. Time, 2:14¼.

Five furlongs, Gorman won, Hannah Moberly second, Fallero third. Time, 1:07.

At Morris Park.

NEW YORK, June 1.—Morris Park, greatly improved, was thrown open to the public to-day under favorable circumstances. The attendance was 15,000.

Following were the events of the day:

All ages, five furlongs, Correction won, Fairview second, Civil Service third. Time, 1:01.

Three-year-olds and upward, one and an eighth miles, Masterlode won, l'Intriguante second, Cassius third. Time, 1:55.

Harlem stakes, for two-year-olds, five and a half furlongs, Nomad won, Vestibule second, Guildeno third. Time, 1:09¼.

Maidens, all ages, one mile, Rey del Rey won, Laurestan second, Thornton third. Time, 1:42¼.

Schuyler stakes, for all ages, one mile, Sir John won, Carroll second, Chesapeake third. Time, 1:41½.

Six furlongs, Arnica won, Dr. Wilcox second, Little B third. Time, 1:16¼.

EASTERN BASE-BALL.

Results of Yesterday's National League and Association Games.

NEW YORK, June 1.—By winning to-day's game the Giants jumped from the fifth to the second place in the race. The game was sharply contested. New York 3, Cleveland 2. Batteries—Rusie, Buckley, Young, Zimmer.

At Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1.—While Chicago bunched its hits the Phillies bunched their errors, giving the visitors the lead, which the home team could not overcome. Chicago 6, Philadelphia 3. Batteries—Stein and Kittridge, Esper and Brown.

At Brooklyn.

BROOKLYN, June 1.—Pittsburg's errors were costly and the Bridegrooms won after an interesting battle. Brooklyns 5, Pittsburgs 3. Batteries—Daily and Hemming, Fields and Stratton.

At Boston.

BOSTON, June 1.—Rhines had the Bostons at his mercy, while Nichols was hit just enough for victory. Cincinnatis 5, Bostons 2. Batteries—Rhines and Harrington, Nichols and Bennett.

American Association.

ST. LOUIS, June 1.—St. Louis 2, Athletics 6.

COLUMBUS, June 1.—The Boston game was postponed; rain.

LOUISVILLE, June 1. — Louisvilles 5, Washingtons 14.

CINCINNATI, June 1.—The Baltimore game was postponed on account of rain.

Western Association.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 1.—Minneapolis 7, St. Pauls 4.

LINCOLN, June 1.—Lincolns 9, Denvers 1.

MILWAUKEE, June 1. — Milwaukees 11, Sioux Citys 1.

KANSAS CITY, June 1.—Omaha game postponed; rain.

A NEW LEGAL FIRM.

Two Popular Native Sons, Well Known and Talented, in It.

In the Fireman's Fund Building, 401 California street, the name of a new law firm appears, the members of which are not only well known in this community, but have already attained a foremost position in the ranks of the legal profession in this city. The firm name is Wilson & Bert, and the names of the individual members are J. N. E. Wilson and Eugene F. Bert. Mr. Wilson was born in this city in 1856, his father having been a pioneer from Ohio, whose family was originally from Massachusetts. Mr. Wilson graduated at the State University in the class of '76, studied law under E. B. Mastick, and was admitted to practice by the Supreme Court in 1878. He soon became famous as a jury lawyer, and during his career has been Prosecuting Attorney, District Attorney, member of the Legislature and Insurance Commissioner, and during his practice he has been engaged in some of the most celebrated cases in the courts of this city, and at this time is engaged as counsel for the defense of J. W. Kerr, the foundryman. Mr. Bert is also an N. S. G. W., and a graduate of the State University. He studied law in the Hastings College of Law connected with the University, and was admitted to practice by the Supreme Court after his graduation in 1887, and since that time has been admitted to practice in the Federal courts. Eleven years ago he entered upon the study of law in the office of the law firm of Gunnison & Booth, since which time he has passed through a thorough course of hard study. In practice he has met with proverbial success, and especially in criminal matters. His course while Assemblyman from the Fifty-first District was characterized by boldness and fearlessness, and won for him universal respect. He is Past President of Mission Parlor, No. 38, an incorporator of Mission Parlor Building Association and Vice-President of the Board of Directors, a member of the Union League Club, and a strong and consistent Republican. The new firm starts off with a strong hold on the confidence of the public.

A BIG PARADE.

The Military Display to Be a Feature of the World's Fair.

CHICAGO, June 1.—At a meeting of the World's Fair Ceremonies Committee to-day it was stated that Colorado, California, North Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania will send to the dedication ceremonies, in September, 1892, the pick of their State troops. The committee decided to make the military display a decided feature of the big parade. E. T. Lee's scheme for a reunion of the soldiers of the North and South was discussed and it was decided to make no special feature of such a reunion. Soldiers wearing either the blue or the gray will be welcomed and well treated.

A Disputed Office.

PHILADELPHIA, June 1. — Richard G. Oellers, the choice of the County Commissioner and City Council for City Treasurer to succeed Bardsley, took possession of the City Treasury this morning. The question as to whether Oellers or Wright, appointed by the Governor, has the right to fill the vacancy will be brought before the court to-day, and a decision is expected by the Supreme Court by next Saturday.

Iron and Steel Workers.

PITTSBURG, June 1.—The annual convention of Amalgamated Associations of Iron and Steel Workers will open here tomorrow. The Wage Committee has been in session for three days preparing a scale for presentation to the convention, and from the progress made it is safe to say there will be no change in the price of making iron from that in force last year. The committee on the steel scale is also preparing its report. It is generally believed that manufacturers will accept the current rate for the new year without attempting to reduce it.

LABOR MEETINGS.

Granite-Cutters at Work—Bench-Hands' Strike Off.

The granite-cutters, who struck work one week ago because smoking was forbidden in the yards, went back to work yesterday elated over their victory. It was observed, however, that in one of the largest yards few of the men used their pipes. The freestone-cutters, who were also forbidden to smoke, are enjoying the fruits of the granite-cutters' conflict.

The Mill Bench-Hands' Strike Off.

A protracted meeting of the District Council of Northern and Central California and the Council of the Amalgamated Carpenters was held last night, the subject under discussion being the strike of the mill bench-hands.

"After the matter had been fully discussed," said W. R. Jacks, the District Recording Secretary to a representative of THE CALL, "it was decided that, in justice to all parties concerned, in view of the failure of proper support from the United Brotherhood, the strike should be declared off, and now it is off. It was also decided to return thanks to the press for its fair treatment of the men in their endeavors to secure the adoption of the eight-hour rule."

Molders' Union.

The iron-molders received a dispatch from the President of their International Union to the effect that the molders employed in a foundry at Springfield, Ill., had struck work because the mill proprietor had taken a contract to make mortar wheels for the Risdon Iron Works of this city. The union now believes that arbitration of its heavy-headed strike is possible. At last night's meeting donations were received from several unions for the benefit of the strikers.

Millmen's Strike.

Strikes occurred at several buildings yesterday on which union carpenters are employed, because material prepared in struck shops was purchased by the contractor in charge. The Millmen's Association will meet this afternoon to consider a plan for a settlement of the trouble between them and the journeymen.

Carpenters' Union, No. 483.

Carpenters' Union, No. 483, has elected W. H. Wheeler, President; J. Huffman, Treasurer; J. Ferguson, Trustee; and Thomas McEwen, Auditor. W. A. Walker and Owen Roberts, delegates to the Federated Trades, have resigned.

Horseshoers' Union.

At last night's meeting of the Horseshoers' Union the delegates to the Federated Trades were instructed to renew their petition for a boycott on Lynch's shop, which was refused at the previous meeting of the council.

Cigar-Makers' Union.

The semi-annual election of officers of the Cigar-makers' Union will be held next week, and an exciting contest is promised, as two salaried offices will be filled. Nominations will be made at the meeting tonight.

Core-Makers' Union.

The Core-makers' Union indorsed the Federated Trades boycott of the Abend Post, and resolved to fine any member found patronizing dealers in Chinese or non-union made cigars.

Plasterers Busy.

The union plasterers report that the millmen's strike has had no effect upon their business. The demand