STRANGER FAR THAN FICTION.

Oakland Has at Last Won Three in One Series.

IT MAY TURN THE COLONEL'S HEAD.

The Tail-Enders and Sacramentos Break Even on a Six-Game Series—To Phenomenal Balsz Belongs the Credit of Winning Three for the Progressive Party From Over the Bay. Hard Times for Henry Harris—Standing of the Clubs.

"Tell me not in mournful numbers life is but an empty dream," remarked Colonel Thomas Progressive Robinson in oh-be-joyful accents, as he stowed away his third victory in one week. Three games in one series is a new and untried epoch in the career of the progressive Oakland team, and fears are entertained that the event will cause an aggravated attack of dropsy under the Colonel's hat.

Already his base-ball skies are brightening, and he again he discerns the dim, shadowy outlines of the pennant as through a glass darkey. He is still talking, too; but as his remarks have always been equal in point of weight and interest to those uttered by a man with a limited vocabulary and a hare-lip Duke Finn has no grounds for uneasiness regarding the final destination of the pennant of 1891. Priority holds good in base-ball as well as in other walks of life.

It does seem a little late in the season, but Oakland is wheeling into line, as the editors remark during the windy preliminaries of a political campaign. True, they lost the morning game, but that was due to the persistency of the Colonel in forcing a new inning at pitch. He was released, however, before he got to the ferry and had to pay his own fare back to the city, where he is now reflecting on the frailty of man.

The afternoon game was noted chiefly for the errors of the Steers and the box work of Louie Balsz, sometimes spoken of as Phenomenal. He won three games for the Colonel, but is still on the ragged edge. Yet his chances of finishing the season are good, as it would only cost him $1 to reach his home in Vallejo. If he lived in Vermont, for instance, he would probably be released to-day.

Oakland scored nine runs in the first two innings on a combination of seven hits and a few errors. Old Man Hoffman had another streak of bad luck, which set in early. He recovered during the next four innings and the Oaklands got but one hit. Then they broke out again and paid their respects to Mr. Hoffman in a way that made his head ache. Time was when Oakland couldn't touch his delivery, but he was having an off week.

EASY FOR THE COLONELS.

The Colonel's men secured a grand total of twelve hits and thirteen runs, while the best the visitors could do with Balsz was five hits and eight runs. Of these eight tallies six were batted in by Bill Hassamer, who was strictly in it for his employers. Bill had thirteen chances at short and used them all but two, besides dropping out a single, a double and a home run. His four-bagger was a high fly to right field, near the foul line, which bounded into the bleachers. The rail was too high for O'Neil to climb and the spectators refused to throw the ball out.

This occurred in the fourth inning. Goodenough had started on a single and stolen his way to third, coming home on the hit. These were the last runs for the visitors, and during the last five innings they got neither tally nor hit.

In the first they secured a couple of runs on a pair of hits and some sacrifices. The second resulted in four runs and one hit. The bags were full and Hassamer hit a double that scored three runs. Their two runs in the fourth brought them up within one tally of Oakland, but owing to their inability to collide with Balsz's delivery they failed to better their condition.

Oakland increased their lead in the seventh, when Balsz sent Spear and O'Neil across the plate on a two-bagger to center and scored on Power's force of Carroll at second. In the next, with Phillips on third, Hines hit to short, and, while Phillips was being run down on the line, Hunky sprinted around to third. He scored on Reitz' sacrifice to center. This ended the run-getting.

Bill Bowman was sick, and his place behind the bat was filled by Hank Spies. Reynolds played third, Cantillion took second and Roberts was back in left field. Speer supported Balsz in fine style, and the work behind him was of a very encouraging nature. One curious feature of the game was that the first five men on the Oakland batting list made two runs each. Following is the score:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, SEPTEMBER 13, 1891.

OAKLANDS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Carroll, c. f.	4	2	3	1	1	0	0
Power, 1 b.	5	2	2	0	11	0	1
P. Sweeney, 2 b.	3	1	0	1	3	3	0
Phillips, 3 b.	5	2	2	0	2	4	1
Hines, l. f.	5	2	1	0	1	0	0
Reitz, s. s.	3	0	0	0	3	3	0
Speer, c.	5	1	2	0	6	2	0
O'Neil, r. f.	5	1	0	0	1	0	0
Balsz, p.	4	1	1	0	1	0	1
Totals	41	13	12	1	27	12	3

SACRAMENTOS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Goodenough, c. f.	4	2	1	1	1	0	0
Cantillion, 2 b.	4	2	1	1	2	0	1
McGuirk, 1 b.	5	0	0	0	7	0	0
Hassamer, s. s.	4	1	3	1	6	5	2
McHale, r. f.	3	0	0	0	2	1	0
Reynolds, 3 b.	4	0	0	0	2	3	0
Spies, c.	4	1	0	0	2	3	1
Roberts, l. f.	3	1	0	1	1	0	1
Hoffman, p.	4	1	0	0	1	3	0
Totals	34	8	5	4	27	16	9

SCORE BY INNINGS.

Oaklands	4	5	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	—13
Base hits	3	4	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	—12
Sacramentos	2	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	—8
Base hits	2	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	—5

Earned runs—Oaklands 1, Sacramentos 2. Home runs—Hassamer. Two-base hits—Carroll, Hassamer, Balsz. Sacrifice hits—Power, McGuirk, McHale, Sweeney, Hoffman. First base on errors—Oaklands 3, Sacramentos 2. First base on called balls—Oaklands 6, Sacramentos 5. Left on bases—Oaklands 7, Sacramentos 5. Struck out—By Balsz 6, by Hoffman 1. Double plays—Hoffman to McGuirk. Passed balls—Spies 1. Wild pitches—Balsz 1, Hoffman 2. Time of game—2 hours. Umpire—McDonald. Stapleton, official scorer.

THE MORNING GAME.

Sommers Pitched Winning Ball Against His Old Associates.

To add zest to the morning game at Emeryville the Colonel signed his ex-first baseman Youngmaw, and put him in to pitch. He lasted three innings, when his arm gave out and young Mr. Loughran was substituted. In the first three innings the Sacramentos made twelve large, healthy runs of bases on balls, errors and hits.

Then Loughran stood in the middle of the lot for the next four innings, while the Senators added seven more to their string, making a total of nineteen runs in seven innings. Had the entire game been played out there is no telling how the score would have resulted.

Peter Sommers, one of the Colonel's former employes, went in against his old classmates and proved to their surprise that he could pitch when clear of the demoralizing influence of the Oakland outfit. They got one run in the first and two in the second, but the remaining innings drew blanks. Pete pitched a steady game, giving but four bases on balls and holding his old associates down to six hits. The score is as follows:

AT EMERYVILLE, SEPTEMBER 13, 1891.

OAKLANDS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Carroll, c. f.	4	2	2	1	1	0	0
Power, 1 b.	4	0	0	0	11	0	0
Sweeney, 2 b.	3	0	0	0	1	1	3
Phillips, 3 b.	5	1	0	0	5	0	0
Hines, l. f.	2	0	1	0	3	1	0
Reitz, s. s.	3	0	0	0	2	2	1
Speer, c.	3	0	1	0	2	2	0
O'Neil, r. f.	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Youngman, p.	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
Loughran, p.	2	0	0	0	0	2	1
Totals	26	3	6	3	*20	11	6

SACRAMENTOS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Goodenough, c. f.	4	2	1	1	1	0	0
Cantillion, 2 b.	4	2	1	1	2	0	1
McGuirk, 1 b.	5	0	0	0	7	0	0
Hassamer, s. s.	4	1	3	1	6	5	2
McHale, r. f.	3	0	0	0	2	1	0
Reynolds, 3 b.	4	0	0	0	2	3	0
Spies, c.	4	1	0	0	2	3	1
Roberts, l. f.	3	1	0	1	1	0	1
Sommers, p.	4	0	1	0	0	1	0
Totals	34	8	5	4	27	16	9

SCORE BY INNINGS.

Oaklands	4	5	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	—13
Base hits	3	4	1	0	0	0	3	1	0	—12
Sacramentos	2	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	—8
Base hits	2	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	—5

Earned runs—Oaklands 1, Sacramentos 2. Home runs—Hassamer. Two-base hits—Carroll, Hassamer, Balsz. Sacrifice hits—Power, McGuirk, McHale, Sweeney, Hoffman. First base on errors—Oaklands 3, Sacramentos 2. First base on called balls—Oaklands 6, Sacramentos 5. Left on bases—Oaklands 7, Sacramentos 5. Struck out—By Balsz 6, by Hoffman 1. Double plays—Hoffman to McGuirk. Passed balls—Spies 1. Wild pitches—Balsz 1, Hoffman 2. Time of game—2 hours. Umpire—McDonald. Stapleton, official scorer.

*Sommers out for running out of line.

AT SAN JOSE.

Timely Hitting Helped the Dukes on to Another Victory.

SAN JOSE, Sept. 13.—The San Joses won to-day's game, and with it two of the three played at San Jose last week with the San Franciscos. Both Lookabaugh and Blauvelt pitched excellent ball, but well-timed hits did the work for the home team. The features of the game were McVey's magnificent throw to home in the second inning, Ebright's home run in the third and Cartwright's drive to deep left in the eighth, by which he secured three bases. The score is as follows:

AT SAN JOSE, SEPTEMBER 13, 1891.

SAN FRANCISCOS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Sharp, 2 b.	4	0	1	*1	2	6	1
D. Sweeney, c. f.	5	0	1	0	4	0	0
Cartwright, 1 b.	4	0	2	0	10	1	1
Smith, 3 b.	4	1	2	0	2	1	2
Levy, l. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clark, c.	4	0	0	0	1	0	1
Peeples, s. s.	4	0	0	0	1	1	1
Swett, c.	4	0	0	0	1	1	0
Blauvelt, p.	3	1	0	0	3	2	0
Totals	34	2	6	*0	27	12	6

SAN JOSES.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
McGucken, l. f.	5	2	1	0	2	0	0
Hanley, 2 b.	4	0	0	0	4	1	0
Everett, s. s.	4	1	1	0	0	4	0
Ebright, 3 b.	5	1	3	0	0	4	1
G. Sharp, r. f.	4	1	2	0	2	1	0
McVey, c. f.	5	1	2	0	4	1	0
Dooley, 1 b.	5	1	1	0	10	0	0
Stallings, c.	3	0	0	0	4	0	1
Lookabaugh, p.	4	0	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	39	7	10	0	27	11	2

SCORE BY INNINGS.

San Joses	0	0	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	—7
Base hits	1	1	2	2	0	0	3	0	1	—10
San Franciscos	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2
Base hits	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	—6

Home run—Ebright. Three-base hits—McVey, Cartwright. Two-base hits—Moinucken, Dooley. Double play—Sharp to Cartwright. Sacrifice hits—Dooley, McVey, Ebright, Everett, Hanley, J. Sharp, Levy. First base on errors—San Joses 4, San Francisco 1. First base on called balls—San Joses 4, San Francisco 4. Left on bases—San Joses 9, San Francisco 8. Struck out—By Lookabaugh 4, by Blauvelt 3. Time of game—One hour and 50 minutes. Umpire—Sheridan. Official scorer—Derrick.

Amateur Contest.

The Allens and Burlingtons played an interesting game at Haight street yesterday morning, which was easily won by the former. Ragged fielding on the part of the Burlingtons was the primary cause of their discomfort. Following is the score:

AT SAN FRANCISCO, SEPTEMBER 13, 1891.

E. T. ALLENS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Monet, p.	4	1	0	0	1	4	0
Thompson, s. s.	5	2	2	0	1	5	1
Buckley, 1 b.	5	0	1	0	14	0	0
Dunphy, 3 b.	5	1	0	1	0	4	0
Sullivan, c. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Metiers, r. f.	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Deane, l. f.	4	0	0	1	1	0	0
Bradley, 2 b.	4	1	1	0	2	2	0
Green, c.	4	2	3	0	7	3	0
Totals	39	7	7	2	27	18	1

BURLINGTONS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Kennedy, 3 b.	4	1	1	0	2	3	1
Wilds, c.	4	0	1	0	3	0	1
Rohan, p.	5	0	2	0	1	3	2
Meegan, 2 b.	4	0	0	0	1	1	0
Pinkini, s. s.	4	0	1	0	0	2	4
Oliver, 1 b.	3	0	0	0	9	0	0
Cook, r. f.	3	0	0	0	2	1	0
Traynor, l. f.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Parker, c. f.	4	1	2	0	1	0	0
Stultz, l. f.	3	0	0	2	2	0	1
Totals	34	2	7	5	24	9	10

SCORE BY INNINGS.

Allens	3	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	*—	7
Base hits	1	2	0	1	2	0	1	0	*—	7
Burlingtons	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0—	2
Base hits	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	1—	7

Two-base hits—Buckley, Green. Sacrifice hits—Buckley 2, Wilds, Bradley, Meegan. First base on errors—Allens 8, Burlingtons 1. First base on called balls—Allens 3, Burlingtons 5. Left on bases—Allens 12, Burlingtons 10. Struck out—Allens 3, Burlingtons 8. Double play—Meegan (unassisted). Passed ball—Wilds. Wild pitch—Monet. Time of game—1 hour and 50 minutes. Umpire—Blake. Official scorer—Richard Marden.

At Napa.

NAPA, Sept. 13.—In the Central League game here to-day between Vallejo and Napa the former was easily defeated by Napa. The score is as follows:

AT NAPA, SEPTEMBER 13, 1891.

NAPAS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Hulin, 3 b.	5	2	2	0	1	1	0
Pace, c.	5	0	2	0	9	1	0
McCarthy, c. f.	5	0	0	0	2	0	0
Young, p.	6	1	1	0	0	2	0
Gimmell, l. f.	6	0	2	1	1	1	0
Stapleton, 1 b.	4	2	3	0	10	0	0
Sweeney, 2 b.	4	2	2	0	2	1	0
Manasse, r. f.	4	1	2	0	1	0	1
Williams, s. s.	3	1	0	1	1	4	1
Totals	42	9	14	4	27	10	2

VALLEJOS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
McGuire, s. s.	5	1	0	0	4	1	2
Dextras, 1 b.	4	2	1	2	0	0	0
Farrell, c.	2	0	1	1	3	0	0
Hughes, 2 b.	3	0	0	0	4	3	2
Smith, l b.	4	0	1	0	13	0	0
Wise, r. f.	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
McIntyre, c. f.	4	0	2	1	1	0	0
Levy, 3 b.	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sprague, p.	4	0	1	0	1	5	0
Totals	34	3	7	4	27	12	4

Earned runs—Napas 4. Home run—Hulin. Three-base hits—Young, Stapleton, Dextras, McIntyre. Two-base hits—Pace, Farrell. Sacrifice hits—Hulin, McCarthy, Young, Williams, Manasse. First base on errors—Napas 3, Vallejos 1. First base on called balls—Napas 1, Vallejos 4. Left on bases—Napas 5, Vallejos 8. Struck out—By Young 7, by Sprague 2. First base on hit by pitcher—McGuire, Farrell, Williams. Passed balls—Pace 1, Farrell 1. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes. Umpire—H. Stultz. Official scorer—David Wilson.

Other Games.

The Markhams defeated the Water Fronts yesterday by a score of 7 to 6. A feature of the game was the pitching of Captain Allen, formerly of the Morgnes.

The Young Morning Calls defeated the Silver Stars by a score of 8 to 0. The features of the game was the battery work of Collins and Dreyfus and the timely batting of the Calls. The Calls claim the thirteen-year-old championship.

The Kaufmans defeated the Mission Maroons by a score of 16 to 11. The feature was the battery work of Kalisky and Nimmo and the batting of the Kaufmans.

The H & G's and the Golden Gates played an exciting game yesterday at the Presidio Reservation grounds. The Golden Gates, composed of ex-professionals, struggled hard to avert defeat, but slowly and surely, by good batting, the H & G's batted their way to victory by a score of 6 to 3, and won the purse of $75.

Eastern Base-Ball.

DENVER, Sept. 13.—Denvers 3, Sioux Citys 1.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 13.—Kansas Citys 13, Omahas 6.

Second game—Kansas Citys 18, Omahas 12.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 13.—St. Louis 14, Baltimores 6.

COLUMBUS, Sept. 13.—Columbus 5, Washingtons 2.

Second game—Columbus 1, Washingtons 2.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 13.—Milwaukees 7, Athletics 8.

Second game—Milwaukees 7, Athletics 3.

Pacific Northwest League.

PORTLAND, Sept. 13.—Portlands 8, Tacomas 1.

SPOKANE, Sept. 13.—Spokanes 5, Seattles 2.

LEAGUE LINERS.

Items of Interest to California Patrons and Players.

CLUBS.	Won.	Lost.	Played	Per Ct.
San Jose	65	39	104	.625
San Francisco	59	45	104	.567
Sacramento	53	53	106	.500
Oakland	32	72	104	.307

Last week proved a disastrous period for Henry Harris. To begin with, the despised Oaklands walloped his team bright and early on Monday, and defeat has closely pursued him ever since. The locals won two games out of six, which places them six behind the leaders, and reduces their prospects for future greatness just fourteen points. Hard luck, Hank.

Down around San Jose way there is great rejoicing among the cranks. Finn's husky cohorts captured four games in six, thereby securing a second mortgage on the pennant, which will land in the Duke's camp barring accidents. The week has been a profitable one for the Gardeners, and they are said to be feeling first-rate. Their percentage advanced three points, and still has a strong upward tendency.

Beesie McGuirk's actor friend is a hoodoo, as the Senators lost both the games he witnessed from the bench. The exploits of the Sacramento team have gone for naught during the week so far as percentage is concerned, as the figures are the same. They won and lost an even number of games, and as they hung at the 500 notch the result remains unchanged. Their defeats were due to Hoffman being in bad form.

All Oakland is excited over the Colonels' three victories, and there are encouraging prospects of a base-ball revival in that peaceful hamlet. Robinson has a strong and likewise expensive team now, and with another pitcher like Balsz he would present a most formidable aggregation. Oakland's percentage is fourteen points in advance of where it was a week ago, with the privilege, however, of dropping down again.

A late piece of telegraph news states that the bleaching skeleton of a man was found on the wind-swept plains of Nebraska near the railroad track. He had evidently fallen a prey to coyotes or other wild beasts. From the peculiar formation of the fingers and a scrap of yellow paper with the word "release" written on it, which was found near the skeleton, the remains are thought to be those of an ex-Oakland ball-player who was trying to get home again.

Rumor has it that there is a painful lack of harmony in the Sacramento Club. It is said the captain and manager do not agree on some points, and are trying to oust each other. When questioned in regard to the matter the Two Macs said there were no ill feelings, and that everything was as lovely as it could possibly be. At least that was the statement made by the captain, who said he had no complaint to make.

When Robinson bought those jersey uniforms he had an eye to the eternal fitness of things so to speak. They give on a big man and shrink up on a little one, which saves the expense of alterations. Colonel T. P. knows his business.

A letter has been received at this office from Hiram Buckram Ebright of San Jose, asking that a mistake regarding the first name of Harris' new pitcher, Blauvelt, be corrected. It was stated that Blauvelt's front name was Hiram when it should have been Harvey. Ebright's given name is Hiram, and as he is the only one of that name in the league, he wishes to shine alone in that particular line.

Phil McFarland, the comedian, who attended the last two games as the guest of McGuirk, was once a star catcher, and has played with a number of California League men. Among them are Umpires Sheridan and McDonald, Messrs. Hurley, McGuirk, McGucken and several other. He took to the stage a few years ago, and now enacts the part of Daddy Nolan in the "Corner Grocery."

It was extremely unfortunate for Pitcher Blauvelt that he arrived in this section just when the young men of the league had started in to do their heavy fall batting. He is a quiet, steady man, who avoids the base-on-balls habit, but the fellows will hit him at the wrong time. The three games he pitched last week resulted in defeat for the men who are backing him up on the emerald-green sward.

In the early part of the season while Blauvelt was with Rochester as an extra man the team used to leave him at home when on the circuit. They had an extra catcher who helped Blauvelt in his practice on these occasions. The catcher, however, fell sick for a couple of weeks, and when the team returned from a trip they found all the boards knocked out of the front of the grand stand. Having no one to catch him, Blauvelt had slammed the ball against the stand hard enough to take it on the rebound and was thus enabled to keep up his practice.

Two of the Oaklanders released last week are now fixtures in the Sacramento team. Sommers was signed as soon as the Colonel let him go, and then showed his appreciation of the transfer by defeating his former associates the next day. Joe Cantillion is also a Senator and a valuable addition to the team, either in the out or infield. His playing at second base was a little frayed in spots yesterday, but he has been out of practice for a few days which accounts for it.

When Tip O'Neil was making up the slate for the Oakland team last spring he signed a young pitcher by the name of Sharon. He was willing to sit on the bench as an extra for $60 a month, but the Colonel let him go and kept a couple of skyrockets. Sharon went to Bradford, Pa., where he developed into a wonder and won seventeen straight games. He is now a high-priced man with Cleveland and is doing great work. If the Colonel only had him now! It's too late for vain regrets.

It used to be that when a bright new ball was fouled over the fence at Haight street the small boy would recover the ball and return it to the game as his admission fee to the park. They used to do it, but it doesn't go now. The American boy knows his business. He reads the base-ball column in the papers and when the ball comes over the fence he picks it up and scoots for the sand lots. Thus in more ways than one does the California League lose money.

When Otto Young was laid off by Harris on account of his charley horse Otto went to Napa and started a course of Napa soda treatment for his ailment. He is better now and pitched a winning game for Napa against Vallejo yesterday, the former winning by a score of 9 to 3. The German had his control with him and struck out seven men. He sent but four to first on balls.

George Stallings leads the league in stolen bases, having 56 to his credit to date. Danny Long had 51 when he and the Colonel fell out, and Cartwright has now reached that mark.

In the six games played here by Fred Carroll the clever center fielder has not made an error on his numerous chances. He didn't find his batting eye until yesterday, when in two games he got six hits, one of which was a double.

Things have come to such a stage now in Oakland that when a mother stands out of the window and sees her little boys playing townball on the streets she sings out: "Come right in this minute, children, or the Colonel will sign you."

Of all the handsome men in the Frisco team Rube Levy takes the best tintype by the flash-light process. He had one taken last Monday night in a group with Power, McDonald, Peck Sharp and Cantillion.

Hunkey Hines is growing in popularity every day, which is probably the forerunner of an early release. Hunkey is a hard hitter, a clever fielder who plays ball all the time, and is cheered when he comes to the bat.

Joe Phillips' days are numbered, and he will be thrown out into the cold world when Jack Godar gets to town. He will take the third bag while Phillips will take a walk. If Godar is any better than Phillips he is too good for Oakland.

Duke Finn attributes the loss of Saturday's game at the Garden City to the fact that while at Santa Cruz last week Everett and Ebright indulged in an inordinate quantity of sand fleas which succeeded up to the San Joses' captain and the shortstop as shrimps.

The J. H. Ruckers of San Jose defeated the first nine of the University of the Pacific on Admission day by a score of 5 to 4, eleven innings having been played. It was an exciting game for the players, which several times left their positions and congregating around the umpire, attempted in vain to convince him he was not posted on the rules.

The second division of the Santa Clara College League has been organized, as follows: Tombstones—I. Reyes (captain), M. Resso, C. Keester, I. Crescenzo, D. Rice, F. Dunne, M. Peritz, G. Graf and J. Gray; Sims—Frank Sims (captain), Howard Williams, A. Lowe, G. La Fleche, W. Toole, E. Morgan, F. Roberts and H. Kenna.

In Saturday's game at San Jose George Sharp made one of the neatest one-hand catches, after a long run, ever seen on that ground. The audience went into ecstacies over it, and applauded him every time he went to the bat.

W. B. Jacobs, score-card man at San Jose, last week received a vote from Brooklyn, N. Y., for George Stallings as the most popular player in the San Jose team.

Friday at San Jose the home team came very near breaking their record by securing a shut-out. Clark was the only man in the San Franciscos who crossed the plate. The Friscos were retired on a double immediately after.

In addition to being an excellent third basemen, Buck Ebright possesses the faculty of downing 125 clams, which he did about a week ago at Alviso.

Center-fielder McVey of the San Jose team has a brother performing with Sells' Circus.

The San Jose High School nine on Saturday were defeated by the first nine of the University of the Pacific by a score of 17 to 11.

Nineteen more games will complete the list of sixty to be played this season at San Jose. The Friscos take part in only three of them.

SUFFERINGS OF A STOWAWAY.

Twelve Days Without Food or Drink in the Hold of an Ocean Steamer.

When the hatches of the steamer Colina were removed at Quebec the stevedores breaking out the cargo were astounded to find a man apparently lifeless among the cargo. He was taken on deck, where, after an hour's work, he was brought to consciousness. He then gave his name as McColl, and said he was a native of Glasgow. The Colina is from Glasgow. McColl said that on the night before the Colina left that port he secreted himself in the hold, intending to appear after she had begun her voyage and work his passage to Canada. He fell asleep, and when he awoke he felt the engine under way, and he found the hatches battered down. He lay still all that day, but the next day becoming fearful of being unable to get out, he attempted to attract the attention of some of the crew by pounding on the deck above, but all to no purpose. He tried many ways of leaving his prison, and on what he thinks was the third day fell down exhausted. He had lost all idea of the progress of time, and was in impenetrable darkness. He does not know when he became insensible, but for the twelve days he was in the steamer's hold, where neither light nor pure air could reach him, he had not a drop to drink nor a bite to eat. When taken out he was reduced to a skeleton. He will recover, however, and in the meantime the authorities are taking care of him.—Quebec special to St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

AERIAL NAVIGATION SOLVED.

A New York Broker Uses Pigeons and Has Been Very Successful.

I have solved the problem of aerial navigation, says Broker Alfred Cordova of New York, in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. I use my pigeons to obtain my motive power, and call my line the Cordova Aerial Messenger Company. I do not do any passenger traffic as yet, and probably never will. I use my pigeons, which are very well trained, to carry messages between my office in Wall street and my stock-farm at Cheetolah, N. J. I can stay at home if I want, and receive reliable reports direct from my office much sooner than the telegraph would bring them. I have found that the birds are just as reliable as any other means of communication, and advices intended for me do not fall into the wrong hands.

Besides, it is interesting to study the birds and time their trips to and from the office and the farm. I have never lost a bird, although two or three have wandered away and become missing for a time. Only last week one of my carriers was taken ill on its flight and sought refuge in a farmer's yard some miles from my place. The latter discovered and returned it. The wings of all my birds wear this stamp: "Cordova's Aerial Messenger Company, Limited."

All oleo in Minnesota must now be colored pink.

AT ETERNAL REST.

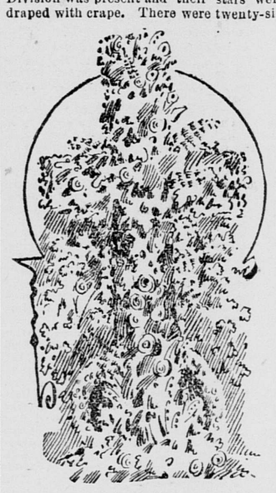
Solemn Obsequies Over the Murdered Police Officer.

Impressive and Sad Services of the Knights Templar in the Masonic Temple—The Floral Tributes.

Amid the fragrance of sweet scented flowers, solemn music, deserved eulogies and tear-stained faces, the funeral ceremonies over the remains of the late Alexander Grant, the popular officer who was killed early Friday morning while arresting Actor M. B. Strelinger, alias Curtis, were held at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon in Masonic Temple.

Such services conducted under the auspices of the Knights Templar are always most impressive, but they never appeared more solemn or pathetic than yesterday afternoon, when the officers of California Commandery, of which the deceased was an honored member, officiated.

By 1 o'clock there was not standing room in the commandery hall, and many who had known and honored the deceased in life were compelled to remain in the street, patiently awaiting their turn to pay the last sad tributes of respect to the dead. Nearly every police officer attached to the Second Division was present and their stars were draped with crape. There were twenty-six



officers from Company B, under command of Captain Short and Sergeants Cales and Within, and a similar detail from Company A, headed by Chief Crowley, Captain Douglass and Sergeant Whitman. These guardians of the peace were in full uniform and acted as an escort to the California Commandery. Hundreds of other members of the police force were present in citizens dress, but stars draped in black were on their breasts.

FLORAL TRIBUTES.

Fitting tributes to the memory of an efficient officer, who died while in the discharge of his duty, were the beautiful floral emblems. In all there were eight handsome pieces and four were from the Police Department. From Company B, Second Division, came two magnificent stands, at least eight feet high. One was surmounted by a dove, and beneath a broken wheel was a star. Below a star was the inscription, "Second Division—Rest, Brother. Gone, but Not Forgotten." The other was surmounted by a Maltese cross, and was inscribed with the words, "Hope, Brother Alexander." Then there was a large piece labeled, "With respect and sympathy of his brother officers of the Seventeenth and Howard streets Police Station." Within a large star was the inscription, "Police Officer 350," and beneath, worked in blue flowers on a white ground, were the words, "Last Roll Call, A. G." Other pieces were from the First Division, and bore such legends as "Rest, Brother," and "Police Officer 350, A. G. Grant." From E. B. Patterson came a large piece in the shape of a chair, with the inscription, "Police Officer 350" on its back. From Mr. and Mrs. W. A. T. Savage came a stand with the simple legend, "Rest."

BURIED IN FLOWERS.

The casket rested on a black-draped bier directly in front of the reading-stand and was almost hidden from view by the floral offerings. On either side were seated mourning relatives, while to the right was the uniformed detail of police and to the left the members of California Commandery, Knights Templar, also in full uniform.

The hymn, "Consolation," was sung by the choir under the direction of Samuel D. Mayer, after which a detail of Sir Knights crossed swords over the shrouded casket.

Commander Thomas Kyle read the service of the order, telling how Knights had been prepared for that place where there is no longer death and how a pilgrim warrior had been summoned by the Supreme Commander to whom earthly arms could no longer shield him.

Sir Knight Appelate John Doane read the lesson, and with uncovered heads the Knights joined in the responses.

Oh, death! where is thy sting,
Oh, grave! where is thy victory?

Repeated the Knights in chorus, as sobbing was heard all over the hall.

"He was a true knight," spoke Commander Kyle, "and has fallen with his armor on. Rest to his ashes and peace to his soul. Father of the universe, to eternal rest we commit his spirit."

The choir sang "Good-night, I Have Reached My Home," and an earnest prayer was delivered by Appelate Doane.

THE EULOGY.

"Shall We Meet Beyond the River?" sang the choir, and Rev. W. E. Smith, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Tabernacle delivered the funeral sermon. In eulogizing the deceased he said: "In the humbler walks of life Alexander Grant has illustrated the higher possibilities of manhood. There is but one opinion of him. He was a man not only in form, but in spirit. He lived a manly life in an unpretentious way, and demonstrated that intoxicants were not necessary to health or bravery. This foully murdered officer illustrated the teachings of the apostle James. It is not necessary to speak of his benefactions, but we will let the perfume of his good deeds speak for him. As a patrolman he was most efficient. He was one who carried his life in his hand and never faltered. With a bravery that was almost heroism he attended to his duty in the darkest nights when others were sleeping. We are deprived of a brother and the Masonic fraternity has suffered a loss that is keenly felt. He had been a Mason for seventeen years, and was Knighted at Susanville sixteen years ago. On August 19, 1887, Brother Grant affiliated with the California Commandery. He has departed, not with tender, loving hands around him, but from a murderer's bullet."

VIEWING THE REMAINS.

The choir sang "Peace to the Memory of the Dead," and