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Sailors Rescued From the Steamer Maggie Ross.

Thrilling Incidents of the Disaster Related by One of the Saved.

Desperate Struggle for Life—Captain Marshall and a Portion of the Crew Left on the Disabled Vessel.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

MARSHFIELD (Or.), Dec. 14.—The schooner Annie Gee, which has been lying outside of Coos Bay bar for the past five days, arrived in this city in tow at noon to-day. The Gee had on board three sailors rescued from the disabled steamer Maggie Ross, which was towed into Yaquina Bay last Friday.

F. Bokland, one of the rescued men, said: "As we showed around Cape Arago Sunday night the storm struck us with great fury, blowing away the sails. From that time we were at the mercy of the gale, and every wave dashed over the vessel. The next day at 12 o'clock we cut away the deck-load of lumber, which carried the houses and everything with it. Steward Annensen was killed Tuesday by being crushed by the lower house. Both of the ship's boats were stove in and rendered unseaworthy.

THE CAPTAIN'S LAST WORDS.

"The Annie Gee came up with us Tuesday morning and sent out her boat, which five of us, including Captain Marshall and the engineer, managed to reach in one of our boats, not, however, until the second mate was lost overboard. Two of us had both legs broken, and the others of the boat were lost. The captain and engineer, at their request, were for the third time returned to the Ross, preferring to chance their lives on board the disabled vessel than in the frail ship's boat. 'I will take my chances aboard the ship,' were the last words of Captain Marshall. So we left them, with one man dead on deck, one overboard and several others seriously injured.

STRUGGLING FOR HOURS.

"With pieces of fence-boards which we managed to pick up we struggled for hours, with our boat filling and almost sinking, until we were finally picked up by the Annie Gee. Captain Marshall seemed to be more anxious for the safety of the crew than for himself. It is possible that they constructed a raft, as that was talked of as a last resort, though lack of material and their crippled condition may have prevented this. There is yet a chance for them, but I have little hope."

Henry Berntsen and Hans Anderson, the two injured seamen, are now lying in the Marine Hospital here, each having both legs broken. They will probably recover.

TEN AND FIVE YEARS.

Sentence of a Defaulting Bank Cashier and His Accomplice.

TACOMA (Wash.), Dec. 14.—Edward Albertson, the defaulting cashier of the Fidelity Trust Company of this city, was today sentenced to ten years in the Penitentiary by Superior Judge Allyn. Fred N. Chandler, Albertson's friend and accomplice, was sentenced to five years in the Penitentiary. In September last Albertson took about $20,000 of the bank's money and being unable to replace it he took about $600,000 worth of the bank's securities, and after changing the combination of the safe, left the city. The next day President Wallace of the Fidelity Trust Company received a note from Albertson agreeing to return the securities to the bank if the bank officers would sign an agreement granting him immunity from arrest. In the note Albertson directed the President of the bank how to reach a place across the bay from Tacoma, where he was in hiding. Accordingly President Wallace took a boat and went to the place as directed by Albertson, and there found Chandler, to whom he gave the agreement in return for the bank securities. Albertson and Chandler then wandered about in the mountains for two or three weeks, finally going to Coos Bay, where they were captured September 16th, Albertson being shot by one of the deputies who made the arrest. Both men were brought here and pleaded guilty.

In sentencing Albertson Judge Allyn said that the plea of necessities which drove him to the crime was not valid. As to the argument of the high standing he enjoyed in the community, this would not be considered as a plea for clemency. The defendant had little reason to address the court for mercy. So far as the Court was concerned, the higher the previous standing of the criminal in the community the less consideration would be shown him.

Addressing Chandler the Court said: "Yours is not so much of a crime as a mistake. You were influenced by your friend and by your loyalty to your friend."

Albertson and Chandler will be taken to the penitentiary to-morrow.

FRESNO INTERESTS.

Important Propositions Considered by the County Board of Trade.

FRESNO, Dec. 14.—The Fresno County Board of Trade to-night, at a largely attended meeting, declined to organize an auxiliary to the San Francisco Traffic Association. The sentiment was that the association's work was of no benefit to Fresno, which wants terminal point rates.

A committee was appointed to urge an appropriation of $250,000 by Congress for a public building and secure a session of the United States District Court here.

The proposed dredging of the San Joaquin River and building a ship-canal hence to the head of navigation was considered at length, with the following action:

WHEREAS, It has been suggested that there are no insurmountable obstacles in the way of securing water transportation for San Joaquin Valley by dredging the San Joaquin and building a ship canal; and whereas, such water transportation is very desirable and would prove of immense benefit and advantage to the producers of this great valley.

Resolved, That the Fresno County Board of Trade call a convention to be held in this city on Thursday, January 21, 1892, to consider ways and means for the building of a ship canal through the San Joaquin Valley to tide water.

Resolved, That the counties of Kern, Tulare, Merced, Stanislaus, Mariposa, San Joaquin and Contra Costa be requested to be represented by five delegates, each to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of each county or by the Chairmen thereof.

The board also took up the President's recommendation relative to the Nicaragua Canal, and appointed a committee of five to prepare a memorial to Congress and to secure signers to the same, praying the adoption of the President's suggestions.

READY TO FIGHT.

Sensational Scene in the San Jose Council Chamber.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 14.—There was a sensational scene in the Council Chamber tonight. Mayor Rucker filed charges against City Attorney W. B. Hardy, alleging incompetency and that he had received money from an individual interested in connection with a suit. Hardy was ordered to be searched by the Mayor, but no weapon was found upon him. He then denounced Mayor Rucker, and said he was ready to fight him any time.

DWELLING BURNED.

Destruction of an Old Landmark in Mendocino County.

WESTPORT, Dec. 14.—The house known as Soldier Frank's at Cottoneva was burned yesterday. The fire caught from a defective flue. The building was the oldest house in the northern portion of the county. It was built in 1858. Lyman Lenard was the tenant.

John Sutherland's house was burned here to-day.

HORRIBLY MANGLED.

A Miner Knocked Into a Shaft Five Hundred Feet Deep.

JACKSON, Dec. 14.—J. W. Smith, a miner at the Kennedy mine, was instantly killed yesterday. He was repairing a shaft, with several others, when a piece of track timber twenty feet long and weighing over 200 pounds got away from the men thirty feet above him and in falling struck Smith on the head, knocking him into the shaft. He fell 500 feet. His body was frightfully mangled. Deceased leaves a widow and two or three children in Sutter Creek.

STEAMERS TIED UP.

Result of a Boycott of a Captain by an Engineers' Association.

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—All the large passenger and freight steamboats on the sound are tied up here to-night because of a disagreement between the Captains' and Pilots' Union and the Engineers' Association. The engineers have been waging a boycott against Captain McAlpine because of his part in the trouble on the steamer Olympian on November 20th, which resulted in the revocation of the license of Engineer Smith. Captain McAlpine was suspended for a month and at the expiration of that time, when he was assigned to the command of the steamer Sehome, not an association engineer would go on board his boat. Saturday the engineers issued a manifesto boycotting Captain McAlpine until such time as Engineer Smith should be reinstated. The captains retaliated by resolving to tie up every steamer on which an association engineer is employed until the boycott against Captain McAlpine is removed. As a result every steamer plying out of this port was tied up at midnight.

THE KITE-SHAPED TRACK.

Another Record-Meeting at Stockton Announced for Thursday.

STOCKTON, Dec. 14.—The kite-shaped track is in fine condition, and as the weather is pleasant the Directors of the Agricultural Society announce another record-meeting on Thursday. Millard Sanders will be here with his Sidney colts, and it is expected the Fresno yearling, Athadon will come to trot against his record of 2:27.

Modesto Burglars at Work.

MODESTO, Dec. 14.—Burglars last night entered Captain H. J. James' butcher-shop by cutting the wire screens of the back room; also lifting the inside bolt of the back door. The safe had a key lock, hence there was no trouble to open it. Inside the money-chests were pried open with steel chisels and the contents all taken—less than $100. This is the third burglary here the month past, therefore the Marshal and a posse of deputies to-day arrested fifteen tramps, who had been sleeping in barns and lounging around the town.

Deliberate Suicide.

PORTLAND (Oregon), Dec. 14.—N. Baum, one of the proprietors of Alisky's Restaurant on First street, committed suicide this evening by shooting himself in the head with a revolver. He had just finished eating dinner with his family at their home on Yamhill street, when he walked to the bathroom, and, placing himself before a mirror, put the revolver to his temple and fired. He died in a few minutes. No cause is known for the suicide.

Sickness at Hollister.

HOLLISTER, Dec. 14.—The health officers and physicians report over 400 cases of la grippe in this town and the immediate vicinity. Many are of a serious nature. E. J. Turner, a prominent horseman, died from this complaint this morning. The changeable weather of the past few weeks has caused much sickness of this character.

To Close a Railroad Gap.

PASO ROBLES, Dec. 14.—A telegram this afternoon from the headquarters of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company orders 50 barrels of flour sent to Santa Margarita to be used while constructing a tunnel for the completion of the gap between that place and Ellwood. This means that work is to commence at once on the road.

Electric-Cars for Stockton.

STOCKTON, Dec. 14.—The Stockton Street Railroad was sold to-day to a new local company, and will be made an electric road. The first payment on the purchase price was made to-day, and the balance of $55,000 will be paid Wednesday, when the transfer will be made.

Lost a Foot.

RENO (Nev.), Dec. 14.—George Jamieson, a man about 60 years old, was caught on the bridge at Verdi by a wild engine this morning and had his ankle crushed in a manner that renders the amputation of the foot necessary. He was brought to Reno.

Accident to an Ostrich.

PETALUMA, Dec. 14.—The female of a pair of ostriches exhibited here last week at the poultry show accidentally broke her leg in two places yesterday afternoon and had to be killed. The loss is about $100.

Schools Closed at Petaluma.

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Found Dead.

MODESTO, Dec. 14.—A man namad Joe Springstel was found dead near Robert McCabe's place, three miles from Turlock, this forenoon.

Funeral of a Pioneer.

MODESTO, Dec. 14.—James Tuson, aged 66, founder of Oakdale, and a well-known pioneer, was buried to-day.

HER HONOR AT STAKE.

Mrs. Mary Burke's Struggle With an Assailant.

Patrick Byrne, who says he is a late arrival in America, came within an ace of taking his unwilling departure last evening by the rope route at the hands of an infuriated crowd that had been attracted to the scene of his crime by the screams of his intended victim. To his discretion in making a hasty flight into a house he owes his head and to that, too, is due his safety behind prison bars.

About 8:30 o'clock last evening, Byrne entered the house of Mary Burke at 38½ Dore street during the absence of her husband, who is a fireman. To her he was slightly known. He represented he was ill and asked for some soda. She went for it in a room in the rear, but was intercepted by Byrne, who made an assault upon her. In the struggle that ensued, she plied her finger nails to his face with such a vim that scars will be left for weeks and months to come. At last she broke from him and went screaming into the street.

Her cries, even while in the building, had been heard, and quite a crowd of neighbors were in waiting on the pavement when she burst upon them. Byrne followed her almost into the crowd, which made a movement to close about him. Seeing his peril, he beat a hasty retreat into the house and locked the door. He dared not leave, as there was kept a close watch on every exit until Policeman J. J. Kelly was summoned.

After breaking in the door a close search was made of the premises until he was found cowering in a small closet. Then ensued a hand-to-hand fight between the frenzied assailant and the policeman that the latter, who is a new star-bearer, will long remember as his first fight while on duty. Overpowered at last, Byrne was locked up at the Seventeenth-street Police Station for the assault on Mrs. Burke and battery on the policeman. He freely admitted the deed and offered as an explanation that he must have been a fool to do such a thing.

Fire Bell.

The alarm turned in at 3:55 o'clock yesterday morning from Box 95 was for a blaze at Sixth and Market streets. The building, a two-story frame structure, was occupied by Con Mooney's saloon, John Foster's cigar-stand, J. Kissacholi's barber-shop, Swan's coffee parlor, J. Adelson's stationery-store and Fitzpatrick & Smith's dental-rooms. The loss is estimated at $3000, and the origin was the careless disposal of a lighted cigar-stump.

Soap-Thieves Arrested.

Three men engaged themselves in the pettiest kind of larceny last evening in Flynn's grocery on Eighth and Howard streets. They entered, quietly picked up twelve bars of soap and walked off. When arrested they gave the names Frank Foster, John O'Connor and Michael O'Connor.

An Autopsy to Be Held.

Mrs. Fannie Cassidy, aged 43, died last Sunday night at her residence, 117 Welch street, presumably from pneumonia. There being rumors to the effect that her death was due to ill-treatment, her body was removed to the Morgue, where an autopsy will be held to-day.

Jeopardized His Wife's Life.

Charles H. Locke was taken into custody by the police last night for threatening to kill Belle Locke, his wife. The couple lives at 638½ Natoma street. Locke, it is said, has been very abusive of late.

Who Owns the Harness?

George Hills, a petty larcenist, was arrested yesterday with a fine buggy harness, which he admits he stole, but will not say from whom. An owner is wanted at the Southern Station.

THE THEATERS.

Mr. E. S. Willard's First Appearance at the Baldwin.

Great Success of "The Middleman"—Sullivan's New Play—"Ten Nights." "Billee Taylor."

Willard was warmly welcomed. The audience was large, fashionable and appreciative quite beyond the first-night assemblages at the Baldwin. This is not surprising, for the play "The Middleman" is quite beyond the style of the London drama that has been submitted to our people of late. All points of interest are fully brought out, its contrasts are sharper, its antitheses more certainly and clearly made. Jones, its author, is more apt in the constructive faculty than Sims, Conquest, Pettitt or any of his contemporaries, who have deluged the American stage with their work for, say, the last ten years. The play deals with the fortunes of an inventor. In Cyrus Blenkarn, a potter, whose whole being is absorbed in his art, Mr. Willard personates a type of that generally unfortunate class, and one who, in his absorption, allows unscrupulous capital to prey upon his heart and brain as the vulture tore the vitals of the man in the classic fable. His time comes finally, when a great wrong has been done his family by the son of the capitalist. Then, by the discovery of the lost art of making the porcelain of the ancients, he beggars the man who had oppressed him and his revenge is that the latter is dependent on his bounty for the bread he eats. Mr. Willard made a splendid success of the part of the long-suffering inventor. Good as the play is it may be said to be only an adjunct to his art, for he drew all the attention to himself by his masterly development of the several phases in the potter's career. The scene in Tetlow Hall, the home of the capitalist, Chandler (Royce Carleton), where, in the midst of all the wealth his patient ingenuity had created, he begs in vain for ten pounds to carry on further experiments, is a striking one; but he grows greater as the piece proceeds. In the second act he learns of his daughter's ruin; and then the worm turns. His appeal to heaven for justice on his oppressor and the wronger of his child is one of the most powerfully effective we have listened to in some time. The pottery furnace scene is realistic to a degree, and the dogged obstinacy of the man in refusing all temptation to turn aside from the darling object of his life—the discovery of a lost art, and, at the same time, the gratification of his revenge—shows the revulsion that had taken place in his usually submissive nature. All through the piece we have these changeful lights and shades in this actor, and in each he is true to the purpose that inspires the situation. The play ought to be solidly popular. It is a picture of real life in the business world of today; of the strong destroying the weak, and of designing men taking advantage of the honest and true-hearted whose misfortune is the simplicity and credulity that usually accompany these qualities. Mr. Willard is supported by a good company. His daughter, Mary Blenkarn, is nicely played by Miss Mary Burroughs. Mr. Harry Cane makes a capital factotum as Batty Todd, Chandler's managing man, and Mrs. F. H. Tyler (Jesse Pege) who, with Miss Zeffie Tilbury as Nancy Blenkarn, contribute the comedy element, relieve the heavier and darker features of this clever picture most agreeably. "The Middleman" will be continued for a fortnight.

Sullivan's New Play.

"Broderick Agra," was brought out at the Bush-street to a fair attendance. It is a much better piece for the purposes of the pugilistic actor than "Honest Hearts," because there is but little sentiment in it. Pathos and pugilism are not consonant, and Mr. Harrison ought to have known this when he set himself to work in equipping the champion. In "Broderick" Sullivan is jovial and jolly, and so pleases the boys in the gallery and the more sedate people much better. He was very well received in the business he had to do. The scene in Dacy's Dublin Varieties, where the Irish champion fights are said to be what are supposed to be realistic. If so the city by the Liffey needs an improvement in its places of amusement. But the set-to between Sullivan and Ashton pleased the "fancy" immensely, as it was the looked-for climax of the whole drama. The piece continued all this week. "U and I," the popular farce comedy, improved in many respects, comes next.

A Successful Concert.

The third Steinway Hall concert was yesterday afternoon very well attended. The general performance of the String Quartet showed a great improvement since the last concert a month ago. The last movement of the Schumann string quartet in F major, No. 2, constituted the best work of the quartetist. Another very interesting number was the Schubert quintet for pianoforte and strings, opus 114, which is remarkable for its admirable musical equilibrium. The instruments never give sign of preponderance, but all united in a manner to develop the sonority, produce a superb whole. Signor V. Ursumando played the piano part with his usual skill. Mr. L. Heine was the soloist of the concert, and not only was he equal to the good fame he enjoys among us, but surpassed himself, revealing all his rare musical qualities. He played "Auf Niedrei," by Max Bruch, a splendid composition, which may be styled in one phrase, "the production of a genius." It is really true that in art the crude and studied combinations of science alone are entirely out of place. Art is such a sublime and complete thing in itself that only a breath of it abates in one moment all the efforts of a hundred treatises of philosophy. One of these breaths came to us through the incomparable composition of Max Bruch and the magic bow of Louis Heine; it came like a flourishing oasis in the desert of our daily ostentations.

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THE MAN SHE JILTED.

A Matrimonial Advertisement Brings Together a Long-Separated Couple.

The marriage of Charles S. Denning and Clara Oakley, at Binghamton, N. Y., was a romantic one. The couple were betrothed a good many years ago, and the marriage day had been fixed for the ceremony. On Thanksgiving day, a week previous to the date set for the wedding, Denning and his affianced drove to a neighboring village, but lost their way coming back, the result being that they did not reach home until far into the night. Miss Oakley was much provoked and a lovers' quarrel and broken engagement resulted. Denning went West and nothing more was heard of him. A short time ago Miss Oakley was attracted by an advertisement in a matrimonial journal and replied to "A B" at Denver. The correspondence resulted in a speedy proposal of marriage, but Miss Oakley declined to commit herself in advance of seeing the man, who had not yet given his name. "A B" accordingly came East, and Miss Oakley was astounded to meet her old lover, who was now a widower and had brought with him a pretty little daughter 5 years of age. Bygones were relegated to the past and the lovers were united.—Chicago Herald.

SUPERVISORS.

A Penalty for Those Who Rent Houses for Certain Purposes.

Women Complain of Alleged Abuses at the Public Morgue—Veto of the Health Board Order.

At the weekly meeting of the Board of Supervisors all the members were present except Ellert.

A communication was received from the Fire Commission, calling attention to the scarity of hydrants in the vicinity of public school buildings, and asking that six additional hydrants be set on the streets adjacent to the various school buildings.

A communication from Auditor Smiley stated that in the recent fire in his office 600 volumes were damaged and would require rebinding and relabeling. Seventy volumes need recopying.

A resolution was adopted requiring the Southern Pacific Company to provide a system of movable gates for street crossings between Ninth and Channel streets and southwesterly to Guerrero, from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth.

The ordinance providing that hereafter no wooden buildings, except churches, shall be erected higher than fifty feet was referred back to the Fire Department Committee.

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J. P. Jones was appointed a guard at the House of Correction, vice John Smith, resigned.

Supervisor Ayer introduced an order providing that all persons renting houses on Morton street for immoral purposes shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Punishment is provided as follows: First offense, $100 fine and twenty days' imprisonment; second offense, $200 and thirty days; third offense, $300 and ninety days. The order was referred to the Health and Police Committee.

A communication, of which the following is a copy, was read and referred to the Health and Police Committee for investigation:

To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco—GENTLEMEN: At a meeting of the Women's Society for the Correction of Public Abuses, held at 1112 O'Farrell street on Friday, December 11th, at 8 o'clock in the evening, the appended resolutions were unanimously adopted, with instructions that the same be transmitted to your honorable body:

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OBITUARY.

COLONEL W. E. MERRILL.

Colonel William Emery Merrill, United States military engineer in charge of the improvements on the Ohio River and its navigable tributaries, dropped dead in Cincinnati last evening. He was born in Fort Howard, Brown County, Wis., October 11, 1837, was graduated at the United States Military Academy in 1859 and was assigned to the engineer corps. He served nearly a year at the United States Military Academy as assistant professor of engineering; acted as assistant engineer in the Army of the Potomac in March and April, 1862, and was chief engineer of the Army of Kentucky from October 12, 1862, till May 25, 1863, and of the Army of the Cumberland from August 23d till September 17th of the latter year. He took part in all of the more important engagements of those armies until the close of the war. He was brevetted Captain for gallantry in an engagement before Yorktown, Va.; promoted Captain March 3, 1863, and made Colonel of the Veteran Volunteer Engineers July 2, 1864, which corps he had organized, and with which he had been engaged in fortifying important points on the lines of military railroads in Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia. He was breveted Major, Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel for "faithful and meritorious services" at the battles of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain and Resaca, respectively. He was promoted Major March 7, 1867, and Lieutenant-Colonel February 20, 1883. After the close of the war he served as Chief Engineer on the staff of Lieutenant-General Sherman, and on important duty with his corps in the improvement of rivers and in surveys in the West. In 1878 he was ordered to visit Europe to obtain information respecting the construction of movable dams and other important subjects. He has since been stationed at Cincinnati in charge of improvements in the Ohio, Alleghany, Monongahela and Muskingum rivers. He published "Iron Truss Bridges for Railroads, and "Improvements on Non-tidal Rivers."

CHIEF MAYES.

A private telegram received in New York announces the death of J. B. Mayes, Chief of the Cherokee nation, as having taken place at Tahlequah, Ind. T., yesterday morning. Joel Bryan Mayes, Cherokee Chief, was born on the Cherokee Reservation in Georgia October 2, 1833. His father was white and his mother was of mixed blood and descended on the paternal side from James Adair, an Indian agent under George III. Joel was removed in his youth to the Cherokee Reservation in Indian Territory, was graduated at the Cherokee Male Seminary in 1856 and taught until the beginning of the Civil War, through which he served as Quartermaster in the Confederate Army. He returned to his farm on Grande River in 1865, was County Commissioner and Chief Clerk of the Cherokee Court for many years and County Judge for two terms. While holding the latter office he was chosen Associate and subsequently Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. In August, 1887, he became Chief of the Cherokee nation.

GEORGE SOUTHWELL.

George Southwell, a well-known resident of San Francisco, died last Sunday. He had been ill but a few days previous to the sudden illness and death of his wife, which recently occurred. This crushing blow, added to a severe attack of pneumonia, completely prostrated and killed him. He was born in Worcester, England, July 21, 1822, and came to Milwaukee, Wis., in 1848, where he was the largest contractor up to 1863. From that city he went to Chicago, where he engaged in the insurance business. In 1872 he came to California, and settling in San Francisco was appointed chief reporter of The Guide staff, which position he held up to his death.

DR. GILES M. PEASE.

Dr. Giles M. Pease died yesterday at his late residence, 125 Turk street. The doctor had been a resident of this city for many years. He was a native of Boston, nearly 53 years of age. He served in the Union army during the war and was a member of George H. Thomas Post. This afternoon the post will assemble at the entrance of Laurel Hill Cemetery to join in the funeral.

HON. JOSIAH MINOT.

Hon. Josiah Minot died yesterday morning at Concord, N. H., aged 73 years. He was at one time the law partner of President Franklin Pierce, was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and ex-President and Director of the Concord Railroad. He was also prominently identified with many financial institutions.

LATEST SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived.

MONDAY, December 14.

Schr Maxim, Peterson, 3 days from Caspar; lumber, to Caspar Lumber Co.

BIRTHS—MARRIAGES—DEATHS.

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

BORN.

CHILSTROM—In this city, December 13, 1891, to the wife of P. O. Chilstrom, a son.

LOMBARDERO—In this city, December 11, 1891, to the wife of Jose Lombardero, a son.

BROWN—In this city, December 10, 1891, to the wife of W. S. Hochstadter, a son.

HOCHSTADTER—In this city, December 12, 1891, to the wife of W. S. Hochstadter, a son.

FREEMAN—In this city, December 8, 1891, to the wife of Robert B. Freeman, a daughter.

BYXBEE—In Berkeley, December 11, 1891, to the wife of E. E. Byxbee, a son.

MARRIED.

HAWES—SCHWATKA—December 10, 1891, John W. Hawes and Zoe A. Schwatka.

ZANE—JOHNSON—In Verano, December 13, 1891, by the Rev. David H. Reed, George S. Zane and Grace A. Johnson, both of Sonoma Valley.

DIED.

Bancroft, Curtis W.
Behrmann, Mary J.
Bechtel, Frederick K.
Beversen, Carsten
Berger, John
Cronen, James
Cullen, Simon
Canavan, John
Chiarini, Joseph
Dooley, John
Dutra, John
Dugan, John
Donlan, Paul
Dr scoll, Sarah
Englander, Max
French, Mrs. Ann
Fr sch, Clara S. E.
Farrell, Delia
Goldsmith, Simon
Griffin, Maria
Gillespie, Ann
Greenwood, James
Harrigan, Margaret
Hafley, Caroline
Howland, Emeline M.
Jones, Samuel
Kahle, Auguste L.
McGlade, Annie
Maier, Mrs. Margaret
Myers, Annie
Nelson, Bror Harry M.
Pazabarowski, Lucie
Paul, Carl
Pease, Dr. Giles M.
Plunkett, Gerald R.
Prouty, Johanna
Robe ts, Ell B.
Rhodes, Catherine M.
Schimpf, Bertha
Steinbach, Henry G.
Schloss, Louis
Southwell, George
Watson, George
Williams, Julia
Zimmerman, Irving E.

STEINBACH—In this city, December 12, 1891, Henry G. Steinbach, beloved husband of Pauline Steinbach, a native of Germany, aged 35 years, 10 months and 28 days.

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 2 o'clock P. M., from Odd Fellows' Hall, corner Market and Seventh streets, under the auspices of Hermann Lodge, No. 145, I. O. O. F., Walhalla Encampment, No. 7, I. O. O. F., and Sigel Hain, No. 7, U. A. O. D., and San Francisco Sennerjen Verein and Schwaben Verein. Interment I. O. O. F. Cemetery. 3

MAHER—A solemn requiem mass will be celebrated at St. Rose's Church, Brannan street, THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 9 o'clock A. M., for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Margaret Maher, of the monthly mind. Friends are respectfully invited to attend.

KAHLE—In this city, December 13, 1891, Auguste Louise, only and beloved daughter of Frank and Marie Kahle, a native of San Francisco, aged 1 year, 1 month and 25 days.

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of her parents, 1317½ Natoma street. Interment I. O. O. F. Cemetery.

FRENCH—In this city, December 13, 1891, Mrs. Ann French, a native of Kings County, Ireland, aged 81 years and 9 months. [Iowa papers please copy.]

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 8:30 o'clock A. M., from her late residence, 1117 Folsom street, thence to St. Joseph's Church, where a requiem high mass will be celebrated for the repose of her soul, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M. Interment Mount Calvary Cemetery.

BEVERSEN—In this city, December 13, 1891, Carsten Beversen, beloved brother of Henry and Martin Beversen, a native of Lintig, Amt Leche, Germany, aged 48 years.

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 1:30 o'clock P. M., from the residence of his brother, Henry Beversen, 857 Twentieth street, corner Shotwell. Interment Masonic Cemetery.

MYERS—In this city, December 12, 1891, Annie, beloved wife of Martin Myers, and mother of Mary, Annie and Katie Myers, a native of Headford, County Galway, Ireland, aged 55 years.

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 8:30 o'clock A. M., from their late residence, 162 Shipley street; thence to St. Patrick's Church, where a solemn requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of her soul, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.

ENGLANDER—In this city, December 12, 1891, Max, beloved husband of Therese Englander, and father of Mrs. Sam Steiner, Mrs. John Desbeck, Mrs. Theodore Steiner and Aaron, Henry and Etta Englander, and brother of Leopold Englander, a native of Floss, Bavaria, aged 76 years, 5 months and 20 days.

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 9:30 o'clock A. M., from Masonic Temple, corner Post and Montgomery street, under the auspices of Fidelity Lodge, No. 120, F. and A. M.; thence by special train from Third and Townsend streets to Home of Peace Cemetery, leaving at 11 o'clock A. M. sharp. Please omit flowers.

HOWLAND—In this city, December 13, 1891, Emeline M., widow of the late Edward D. Howland of New Bedford, Mass., aged 76 years, 9 months and 8 days. [New Bedford (Mass.) papers please copy.]

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 1:30 o'clock P. M., at her late residence, 35 Oak Grove avenue. Interment Laurel Hill Cemetery. 2

ROBERTS—In this city, December 13, 1891, Ell R. Roberts, father of Mrs. C. W. Klusman, a native of St. Lawrence County, N. Y., aged 75 years, 3 months and 22 days.

☞ Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of his daughter, 622a Geary street.

CRONEN—In this city, December 13, 1891, James, beloved husband of Catherine Cronen, and father of James, William, Annie, Nellie and Elizabeth Cronen and Mrs. Thomas Canavan, a native of Chic