ACRES OF FLAMES.

Fierce Fire at Elizabethport, New Jersey.

Extensive Lubricating Oil Manufacturing Works Entirely Destroyed.

Three Hundred Thousand Dollars' Worth of Property Burned—Heavy Losses by a Columbus, Ohio, Blaze.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

ELIZABETHPORT (N. J.), Jan. 26.—The extensive plant of Dorne, Serymser & Co., lubricating-oil manufacturers, was entirely destroyed by fire to-night. One of the stills exploded, causing the conflagration. Still after still exploded, and soon the entire plant was a mass of flames.

Blazing oils floated out on the surface of Staten Island Sound, greatly endangering the shipping.

Staten Island meadows were fired, igniting the trestle of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which spans the sound here.

The oil works covered ten acres, with 450-foot frontage. The wharves, extending the full length of the frontage, were consumed together with the cooper-shops, barreling, filter and pump houses.

Forty-five thousand new barrels and many thousands of barrels of manufactured oil were lost.

The loss aggregates $300,000; insurance partial.

HEAVY FIRE LOSSES.

Total Destruction of Business Blocks in Columbus, Ohio.

COLUMBUS (Ohio), Jan. 26.—The most disastrous fire Columbus ever experienced occurred this morning. A small blaze started in a large brick building on the corner of Rich and High streets, and the structure was soon destroyed, along with its valuable contents. By noon the entire block, from Rich street to Walnut, and from High to Wall, was destroyed. The Metropolitan Opera House building, occupied by Godman's leather-store and shoe-factory, and the Opera House, was the next one to burn. A large force of women employed in the building had narrow escapes from death. They were driven from the building by the flames before they could save anything. Fire-ladders and escapes were their avenues of reaching the ground.

When the fire was burning in the Opera House block a woman appeared at the fourth-story window and started to descend by way of the fire escape. She became bewildered and turned back, disappearing within, and was not seen again. A woman and child on the same floor were saved by the firemen, who rushed through the flames.

The total loss is over $450,000, partially insured. Among the number of heavier losses were the following: Gazette Printing Company, loss $10,000, insurance the same; Daily Express, a German daily, loss $5000, insurance $1500; Godman & Co., shoe factory, $30,000, insurance unknown; Baker's photograph gallery, loss $31,000, insurance unknown; Isaac Eberly, Metropolitan Opera House Building, loss $140,000, insurance $100,000; wholesale liquor house of Steinbauser, loss $12,000, no insurance; Staley & Morton's dry-goods store, probably $150,000; Siebert & Lilley, book-binders, loss $40,000, insurance $20,000. There were numerous offices throughout the building, in which everything was lost. The opera house was to have been occupied by Modjeska this evening.

It is impossible to get a complete list of losses and insurance, but it is now thought the loss will be about half a million, with insurance of $300,000. It is learned that all the occupants of the building were rescued.

THE FIELD CONTROVERSY.

Correspondence With the United States Senators of Montana.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—In an interview to-day Justice Field of the United States Supreme Court was asked if Senator Power had made any explanation concerning the recent offensive imputations against the Justice. The latter replied that the question would be best answered by the correspondence on the subject, and which he handed your correspondent. The first letter is as follows:

UNITED STATES SENATE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13, 1892.

Hon. Stephen J. Field, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court—DEAR SIR: I left Helena, Mont., my home, on the 26th of December, to arrive in Washington late Saturday night, and upon reaching here was told of the telegraphic report from Helena purporting to be a speech made by my colleague, Mr. Power, wherein he attributed to you some incendiatory action and motives and gave me as authority. Then I judged that the report was wholly unfounded, as I was as certain it was in connecting me with the matter in form and substance. Indisposed to a controversy, I greatly preferred that my colleague should correct this matter himself, and I waited with some degree of impatience for him to do so. Mr. Power has returned to the city, and, from your letter, I judge has not made to you such amends as are possible, as I had hoped he would, and while I preferred that he should clear this matter up himself, I cannot permit further time to expire without denying the imputations upon you which report said were made on my authority. Nothing that has ever transpired between us would justify such a suspicion. You do not need my certificate to your character after a long and honorable service to your country, rendered in conspicuous positions, or any defense against thoughtless imputation. Very respectfully yours,
W. F. SANDERS.

Justice Field was asked if he had anything further to say for publication. He replied that in the letters addressed to the Montana members he has explicitly and emphatically denied Senator Power's slanderous charges, and to that he has nothing to add.

BABY M'KEE SOLD.

Annual Sale of Palo Alto Colts and Fillies at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—At the Palo Alto sale this morning Senator Stanford was a prominent figure, and had a large following of friends and acquaintances. Many complimentary expressions of admiration for his colts and fillies were showered upon him and wherever he went he was the cynosure of all eyes. In the comfortable box stall of Baby McKee were a large number of horse-flesh admirers, who almost smothered the colt with caressings.

The colt is a full brother of Arion and the son of Electioneer, out of Monette. It was sold to J. S. Ferguson of New York for $25,000.

Other prominent sales were:

Plover, 2 years old, bay colt, by Electioneer-Penelope, to J. S. Ferguson, for $3050.

Del Paso, 6 years old, by Dexter Prince-Daisy D, to John D. Hogg of Meadville, Pa., for $1725.

Hazel, 6 years old, bay colt, by Clay-Aurora, to T. J. Brady, for $1500.

Bay filly, 3 years old, by Electioneer-Minx, to John Smith, for $2300.

Jest, 2 years old, chestnut filly, by Palo Alto-Juanita, to John Horan of Morristown, N. J., for $1150.

The sale of Palo Alto trotters to-night brought $58,125 for forty-nine horses.

TO BE INVESTIGATED.

Charges of Bribery in the Recent Sherman Senatorial Caucus.

COLUMBUS (Ohio), Jan. 26.—Representative H. M. Dougherty of Fayette County today asked the House that the charges that he accepted $3500 as a bribe to vote for Sherman in the Senatorial caucus be investigated. A resolution was thereupon adopted and a committee appointed. Dougherty has received a letter from Senator Sherman expressing the hope that the guilty parties who attempted to unjustly libel him may be brought to justice, and assuring him of his (Sherman's) warm support in the investigation. The Senator expresses admiration for his frank, manly course pursued throughout the contest and asserts that he knows the imputation to be false. He further says that not one dollar was used to influence the vote or judgment of any member. The letter concludes by offering to appear and testify whenever desired that he should do so.

MISSIONARIES MURDERED.

Five Americans in the Congo Free State Killed by Natives.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—A letter received by the Recorder from St. Paul de Loanda, Africa, dated December 13th, says: Late advices which have come to this city from Bomba, in the Congo Free State, bring news that at the American mission established on the Congo River near Palla Halla Station, five American missionaries, three men, two women and seven native converts and servants have been killed.

All the mission houses and granaries were burned to the ground and the fields laid to waste. No evidence has been discovered as to who the perpetrators of these murders are, but suspicion points to a number of half-civilized Portuguese natives belonging to the Loango tribe, who were originally taken into the Congo Free State by Stanley.

THE ARKALON RIOTS.

Terms of the Ultimatum of the Leaders of the Recent Mob.

ARKALON (Kans.), Jan. 26.—There is no longer any doubt as to the purpose of the leaders of the recent mob. Judge Botkin has received reliable intelligence of their ultimatum, which is that the County Attorney must drop prosecutions and recall all warrants; Judge Botkin must resign, and he and some of his friends must move out of the district; the wishes of the leaders must be consulted by the Governor in the appointment of a successor to Botkin.

EXPRESS MESSENGERS.

Combination to Crush Out of Existence a New Labor Organization.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 26.—It is asserted that the express companies of the country have combined with a view of crushing in its infancy a new labor organization going under the name of "Express Messengers' Brotherhood." Since the strike of the Southern Express messengers the fact has developed that the organization is not a local one, but national in scope and secret in character.

Olympic Club Affairs.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Olympic Club held last night Mr. Walter A. Scott resigned his position as Director and captain, owing to stress of business.

Mr. J. Elliott was appointed his successor as captain, and Mr. G. Ashe was elected to the vacancy on the board.

Mr. R. MacArthur has been appointed President of the P. A. of A. A. U., vice Mr. V. Stow, resigned.

Mrs. Kenny's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Julia Kenny took place yesterday from St. Mary's Church, and was attended by a large number of relations and friends. The deceased lady, who was well known for her many charities, was the mother of J. J. Kenny, ex-Clerk of Police Court 1.

Liberal Union.

The California State Liberal Union has issued a call for its fourth annual convention to be held at Union-square Hall next Saturday and Sunday. The platform of the union is the total separation of church and state. It claims a membership of 5000 in this State.

Astronomical Society.

An open meeting of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific will be held at the California Academy of Sciences next Saturday evening. A number of papers will be presented on interesting subjects and there will be a lantern slide exhibition.

O'Connor, Moffatt & Co. Incorporated.

The well-known firm of O'Connor, Moffatt & Co. has incorporated with $300,000 capital, which has been subscribed by William, James M., Augustine J., Margaret, Sarah A. and Bridget Costello.

Murderer Pardoned.

CARSON (Nev.), Jan. 26.—The Board of Pardons, now in session, granted a pardon to William Willoughby, sent from Esmeralda County for murder.

Distress After Eating
Indigestion, Nausea, Sick Headache,
Dyspepsia
Heartburn, etc., Are cured by
Hood's Sarsaparilla
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offensive charges, on the 16th inst., I sent you a letter respecting myself containing remarks of your colleague, Senator Power, in which he gave you as his authority. I was satisfied that you would repudiate his statements the moment your attention was called to them. I have not heard from you, and thinking that you could not have received my letter, I send you a copy and beg that you will take some notice at your earliest convenience of Senator Power's reference to yourself and his statements. Very respectfully yours,
STEPHEN J. FIELD.

To this Senator Sanders has made the following reply:

UNITED STATES SENATE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 23, 1892.

Hon. Stephen J. Field, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court—DEAR SIR: I left Helena, Mont., my home, on the 26th of December, to arrive in Washington late Saturday night, and upon reaching here was told of the telegraphic report from Helena purporting to be a speech made by my colleague, Mr. Power, wherein he attributed to you some incendiatory action and motives and gave me as authority. Then I judged that the report was wholly unfounded, as I was as certain it was in connecting me with the matter in form and substance. Indisposed to a controversy, I greatly preferred that my colleague should correct this matter himself, and I waited with some degree of impatience for him to do so. Mr. Power has returned to the city, and, from your letter, I judge has not made to you such amends as are possible, as I had hoped he would, and while I preferred that he should clear this matter up himself, I cannot permit further time to expire without denying the imputations upon you which report said were made on my authority. Nothing that has ever transpired between us would justify such a suspicion. You do not need my certificate to your character after a long and honorable service to your country, rendered in conspicuous positions, or any defense against thoughtless imputation. Very respectfully yours,
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AFTER FIVE YEARS.

Explanation of a Mysterious Disappearance.

Suspicion of Murder Dispelled by the Appearance of the Missing Man.

The Sacramento Grand Jury—Ex-Assemblyman McCall's Defective Memory. Cited to Appear.

STOCKTON, Jan. 26.—Claude Harrington, 22 years old, a stepson of A. C. Viertong, disappeared in 1887, when Mr. Viertong and his family were living near Burson, Calaveras County. Suspicion was cast upon Mr. Viertong by some of his relatives, through spite it was said, and it was intimated that Mr. Viertong had killed the boy.

The young man has now turned up. He says he went to Tacoma, where he has been living since. He did not inform his family before leaving that he was going away, because he thought his departure might be prevented.

DEFECTIVE MEMORY.

Ex-Assemblyman McCall's Unsatisfactory Answer to Grand Jury Questions.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 26.—The Sacramento Grand Jury made a brief report to Superior Judge Catlin at 2 o'clock this afternoon, in which they ask the Court to cite J. G. McCall of San Francisco to show cause why he shall not be committed for contempt. McCall is the railroad agent who was in the Assembly from Alameda last year. He is alleged to have been connected with Assemblyman Bruner in suppressing the Scalpers' Bill for Adolph Ottinger, the San Francisco ticket-broker, who agreed to pay them $1000. McCall was before the Grand Jury a few days ago, but his memory was defective and he could not tell a thing about the transaction. The report to Judge Catlin contains an affidavit of Stevens, foreman of the jury, in which all questions McCall could not remember are given. One question was: "Were you a member of the Assembly?" McCall answered, "I can't remember." The Court issued the citation and the Sheriff will go to San Francisco to-night to serve it.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Arrest of Companions of a Missing Sewing-Machine Agent.

STOCKTON, Jan. 26.—Sheriff Kay of Tulare County to-day arrested a young man named Frank Talmadge on a charge of murder, but it is believed here that no murder was committed and that Talmadge is innocent of any crime. Talmadge has been living with an older brother near Traver. Last month a man named Austin Cole, who was a sewing-machine agent, disappeared from Traver, and it was learned that Talmadge and a man named James Search left with him. Nothing has since been heard of Cole, and a cousin of his, believing a murder had been committed, swore out a complaint for Search and Talmadge. Search was arrested a few days ago at Bakersfield. Talmadge was at Lodi to-day, and at Kay's request Sheriff Cunningham had him brought in by an officer. Search and Talmadge agree in the story that they left Cole at Daggett early in December alive and as well as a consumptive could be.

SAN JOSE TO ALVISO.

Preliminary Steps for Opening Rail and Water Communication.

SAN JOSE, Jan. 26.—At a meeting of the Board of Trade to-night preliminary steps were taken for building a railroad to Alviso and putting on freight and passenger steamers. The total cost will be $500,000. W. P. Dougherty made a donation of $25,000, provided it shall be so arranged that the county will have control of the road so that no railroad company can swallow it up. There is much enthusiasm over the project.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Chinese Laborers at Fort Bragg Escorted Down the Coast.

FORT BRAGG, Jan. 28.—A crew of forty Chinese were encamped on the Fort Bragg Railroad preparatory to engaging in the work of excavating a tunnel on the line of the Fort Bragg Railroad, when they were surprised last night by a large party of white men and escorted about four miles down the coast. They are continuing down the coast.

VICTORIA.

Special Report to the Government on the San Pedro Disaster.

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.—Robert Ward, ex-President of the Board of Trade, has sent a special report to the Government on the San Pedro matter.

A special meeting of the Council has been called to consider the Saanich railroad grant.

Provincial contractors say that 50 per cent more building will be done in Victoria this year than last.

FAILED TO AGREE.

The Jury Equally Divided in a Port Costa Murder Case.

MARTINEZ, Jan. 26.—In the case of Edward Latour, on trial for the murder of Dennis Lucey at Port Costa on October 7th, the jury failed to agree, six being for manslaughter and six for acquittal.

THE STORM.

A Beneficial Rainfall Extending Over the Greater Portion of the State.

MARCUSE, Jan. 26.—The rain ceased at noon to-day. From 6 o'clock yesterday up to the above hour 1.05 inches had fallen, making for the season about 8 inches. Much of the winter-sown grain is already above the ground, and two weeks more will see all the crop in.

AUBURN, Jan. 26.—After two weeks of pleasant weather it commenced raining last evening at 8:30 o'clock, and has rained steadily since. The rainfall of the storm to date is .43 of an inch, for the season 13.20 inches, and for the last season 8.78 inches.

VENTURA, Jan. 26.—It began raining last night. A little over one-third of an inch has fallen, and there is prospect for more.

REDONDO, Jan. 26.—Three-tenths of an inch of rain fell this morning. The barometer is 30.2 and rising.

CAYUCOS, Jan. 26.—A welcome rain of .48 of an inch fell here last night. It came in good time and will quicken the growth of grass. It is still showery.

NORTH SAN JUAN, Jan. 26.—Up to yesterday since the 10th inst. the weather had been pleasant, when a cold high wind from the southwest sprang up early in the morning, and at night there was a heavy rain. It is stormy to-day and snowing a few miles above.

STOCKTON, Jan. 26.—The rainfall here for the storm which commenced last night and ended this afternoon measured .58 of an inch.

Beaten and Robbed.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 26.—A young man who gives the name of Edward Harris, while drinking to-night wandered into the dive quarter and was knocked down and robbed of a few dollars. The robber hit him on the forehead with an iron bar, nearly fracturing his skull. Harris says he came here from Berkeley, but that his relatives live at Salt Lake.

Evading the Exclusion Act.

BOISE CITY (Idaho), Jan. 26.—The authorities have arrested nine Chinese who entered the United States from British Columbia, via Kootenai River. There is evidence that hundreds of Chinese have successfully entered the United States by this route.

Base-Ball at Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26.—The second game in the championship series being played here resulted in a tie this afternoon, the game being called at the end of the twelfth inning on account of darkness. The score stood: Los Angeles 2, San Jose 2.

Press Excursionists in New Mexico.

ALBUQUERQUE (N. Mex.), Jan. 26.—The International League Press Clubs' excursion arrived here to-day and were shown various points of interest in this vicinity. They left for Santa Fe this evening, where they will be banqueted by Governor Prince.

La Grippe Epidemic.

NORTH SAN JUAN, Jan. 26.—La grippe is epidemic in this section, prostrating families. Fortunately there has been but one death thus far. The disease is of a mild type.

Preparing for a Fight.

STOCKTON, Jan. 26.—Charles Turner, the colored pugilist, has gone into training again for his fight with the Black Pearl in San Francisco on the 29th of February.

Port Warden Appointed.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 26.—Governor Markham to-day appointed John Dillingham to the office of Port Warden at San Diego.

ACROSS THE BAY.

J. M. Davies Has Taken Himself to the City of the Lakes.

Callustro Company Complications—Tide Lands Decided—Deputies on the Ragged Edge. Acquittal of Conductor Otter.

Some ten or twelve years ago J. Meredith Davies came to the Pacific Coast from Iowa as an agent of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Company, taking charge of the company's office in San Francisco. He was a rustler, made things lively for the agents of the other lines and business for his company. He was Past Master of a lodge of A. O. U. W. in Iowa, but that was too tame and so he had himself introduced in the various lodges in San Francisco as Past Grand Master Workman of the jurisdiction of Iowa and for a year or more the brethren did not discover that he was simply a Past Master.

He finally pretended to own more of the Northwestern than the stockholders and they let him go, whereupon he was taken up by the State Board of Trade as Secretary and advertised himself and it until the Directors concluded that a change would be for the best interests of all. About two years ago he became the manager of Tubbs' Hotel, in East Oakland, and several times between that time and the present had little difficulties with creditors, but always came out with the help of Mr. Tubbs or others. He had recently been so pressed that it is said a basket of mutton chops for the breakfast of his boarders was attached by a constable in the kitchen of the hotel. It was recently announced by him that the hotel would be closed for renovation on account of its not paying at this time of the year, but would reopen in the summer.

Now it is known that he and his family have departed for Chicago, leaving many mourners behind. It is said that Davies was to run the table and make all he could out of this department for himself, and he was to charge as much as suited him for the rooms, paying Mr. Tubbs a certain sum. He had never had an accounting, and a month or so ago, when Mr. Tubbs asked for a settlement, Davies told him that there was not a cent coming to him. He held on until creditors followed so close upon him that he agreed with Mr. Tubbs to quit, but asked him how he was to leave town. The latter asked him whether he would leave the State, but he bantered Mr. Tubbs to try him, and so tickets were purchased for him and his whole family for the metropolis of the lakes, the start having been made on Saturday.

CALLUSTRO COMPANY AFFAIRS.

The execution of Irwin Ayres of Napa County against the Callustro Company for $12,000 and which had been levied upon the property of the company was released yesterday afternoon on the ground that the property is claimed by Mrs. Eells, widow of the late Rev. James Eells, D.D. An attachment was levied on the same property in the suit of Irwin Ayres against Mrs. Eells for $4000 in the Superior Court of San Francisco, and as a stockholder of the Callustro Company. The Callustro mine was found on the ranch of Mrs. Eells in Napa County, and the company was formed to develop the product, Mrs. Eells becoming interested as a shareholder. Ayres' attorney says there is so much collusion among the members and officers of the company that it is impossible to tell who is officially responsible, but he will try to recover his client's money from the stockholders.

City Engineer Morgan estimates that the cost of rewering the Twenty-first avenue district will be $5725.

THE DEED IS RECORDED.

The deed of the River, Harbor and Canal Dredging and Land Improvement Company to about 12,000 acres of tide overflowed lands of Alameda and Santa Clara counties to the Dumbarton Land Improvement Company was recorded in Alameda County yesterday. The party of the second part will assume the mortgage of $88,000 on the land, and transferred 90,946 shares of its stock to the party of the first part as the consideration. A certified copy of the articles of corporation of the Dumbarton Company were filed with the County Clerk yesterday.

It is said that a young man named Webster, who held a position for a time in one of the Alameda County offices some years ago, but who for five years has been a resident and voter of another county, will return and take a position in the County Tax Collector's office, much to the disappointment of residents and voters who worked and voted for the Tax Collector.

Vittoria Antonini, a fruit-peddler, has been held to answer a charge of perjury in connection with his petition in insolvency.

AFFECTED BY THE DECISION.

It is believed that the recent decision of the Supreme Court will affect one deputy in the Alameda County District Attorney's office, one in the County Clerk's office and a copyist in each of the Assessor's and Recorder's offices. The District Attorney will pay the salary of his deputy out of his own pocket, as it is impossible to do without him. The Deputy County Clerk cut out will be J. J. Hanifin Jr., Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

School Director Girard is endeavoring to have all the insurance on school buildings placed with American companies only. There is a majority vote against him in the board, but he says he means to keep hammering away until he succeeds.

Eugene Reeves, Ray Jones and Fred Cook, incorrigible youths, were committed yesterday, by Judge Ogden, to the Whittier Reform School.

OTTER WAS ACQUITTED.

A. R. Otter, the gay cable conductor who, according to Dame Rumor, stole the heart of the wife of Carpenter Walker, and was charged with battery for knocking his wife down while trying to escape from the back door of Walker's domicile, on Sycamore street, while Walker and officers were going in the front way, three weeks ago, was tried in the Police Court yesterday and acquitted on the ground of insufficient evidence.

Detective William Dalton has started East with John Hyer, who is wanted in New Jersey for embezzlement. Hyer had been committed to the Alameda County Jail awaiting the decision on the extradition papers.

Councilman Pardee has presented for passage an ordinance that will be strongly opposed by street contractors. It provides that steam rollers can only be used between the hours of 10 o'clock at night and 7 o'clock in the morning, or, if they are operated in the daytime flagmen must be placed thirty feet each side of the roller.

MRS. YOUNG CREATED A STIR.

Mrs. Young, who three or four months ago resented the espionage of her brother-in-law during her husband's absence and created some notoriety at the time, visited San Francisco yesterday, but returned rather freely of intoxicants. In descending from a cable-car of the Southern Pacific system one of her legs was hurt, she claimed, and broken. One of the men at the ferry was detailed to accompany her and see that she arrived home safely. She made much noise on the boat and the train. At Washington street a transfer was had to a hack to go to her home, on Park avenue, between Twenty-second and Twenty-third, but as she is a large woman considerable trouble was experienced in transferring her from the train to the hack. After crossing the estuary she began to recover from the influence of the liquors, and refusing to go home in the hack, she was put out at Clinton station for the 10:45 o'clock train. She is believed to have been only slightly hurt.

Alameda.

Justice Byler celebrated yesterday the fifty-fifth anniversary of his birthday.

The handsome new Wilson school-house has been formally turned over to the Board of Education.

The Mead Minstrels will probably give another performance in Park Opera House on February 22d.

City Recorder Uznay was able to come to his office yesterday, but he is still suffering from rheumatism.

An ordinance is before the City Trustees requiring peddlers of flowers, shrubbery, etc., to pay a license.

E. B. Mastick, Chairman of the Board of City Trustees, is a victim of la grippe, but has it only in a light form.

The Bridge Celebration Committee will hold a meeting this evening in the City Hall, Oakland, and settle all accounts connected with the celebration.

Two plans have been submitted to the City Trustees for the erection of an engine-house in the eastern end of the city, and are now under consideration.

The cement sewer on Alameda avenue, between Chestnut and Grand streets, laid many years ago, has collapsed, and a new vitrified ironstone sewer will take its place.

Charles E. Naylor and E. P. Peckham have filed their bonds as Commissioners for the opening of Lincoln avenue in the sum of $2000. The sureties of the former are W. C. Forsyth and W. H. Rand, and the sureties for the latter are Hermann Cordes and P. W. Worber.

Mary Allen, a domestic, employed at the West End, indulged too copiously in the wine belonging to her employer, and when she appeared on Seventh street she could not walk straight. She fell into a pool of water between the railroad tracks, where she lay until a policeman pulled her out and brought her to the lockup. She was found guilty of drunkenness and fined $5 by the Recorder.

Berkeley.

Articles of incorporation of the Commercial Bank of Berkeley have been filed with a capital of $100,000. The Directors are: Francis K. Shattuck, A. W. Naylor, Walter E. Sell, John K. Stewart, Charles K. Clarke, James R. Little and Thomas Hann. The Berkeley Bank of Savings also incorporated, with the same Directors. The capital stock is $50,000.

Work will be resumed on the Shattuck Block as soon as the weather clears up, and it is expected that the building will be completed within sixty days. It is rumored that the Postoffice will be located in the building, in one of the lower stores. The building plans of the Berkeley banks are still in a very chaotic state. The most definite idea seems to be that a small building will be put in next to the Shattuck Block. It may be, however, that room will be found for them in the block. It is stated that Mr. Merriam, the leading organizer of the banks, may be expected to arrive from the East by the beginning of spring.

FOUGHT WITH SHERMAN.

Three Messmates in a Missouri Regiment Are Reunited at Seattle.

Post-Intelligencer.

Judge Richard Osborn and F. M. Hansen, bailiff in the former's court, were fighting over old battles with David Koch, an old war comrade whom the Judge has not seen in over a quarter of a century. Koch is now living in Skagit County, and learning of the presence in Seattle of his two friends came here to see them.

At the breaking out of the war Koch and Hansen lived in Missouri on neighboring farms. Osborn's home was in the same section, although he did not then know the other two. All three enlisted in Company D of the Twenty-third Missouri Infantry, and became messmates, breaking hardtack together for many months. Koch was taken prisoner at the battle of Shiloh, but was exchanged and rejoined his company before it started with Sherman on the famous "march to the sea." It took part in the forty days' fighting in front of Atlanta, and it was there, on August 7, 1864, that Judge Osborn saw Koch for the last time until yesterday. At one time during the day Company D advanced in skirmish line on some rebel rifle-pits. Carried away by the ardor of battle, Osborn pushed on ahead of the company and found himself in rather too close proximity to the enemy's works. Lying down behind a pile of earth from a rifle-pit, he took a shot at the fortification. The next instant he was struck in the right shoulder by an answering minie-ball. It tore its way through the bone and along down the arm until it stopped on the inside of the elbow-joint. It was cut out by the surgeon's knife, entirely whole, but badly beaten out of shape from contact with the bones. Judge Osborn still has it inclosed in a little case, which he guards with jealous care. Partially imbedded in the lead is a shred of human cartridge which it carried away with it in its passage.

A short time after Judge Osborn came out of the hospital his term of enlistment expired and he received an honorary discharge. When he came to Seattle ten years ago he had neither seen nor heard of Koch or Hansen since the war. Three years ago a man walked into the Judge's law office in this city and inquired if he was addressing Dick Osborn of Company D, Twenty-third Missouri. That man was Hansen. Yesterday Koch turned up, and the three old messmates enjoyed a reunion.

Not in a Hurry.

Ontario Observer.

At Riverside and Redlands the growers are not disposed to fall over one another in an effort to rush their oranges on the market, but, confident that in a few weeks good fruit will command a satisfactory price, are quietly awaiting development. Being organized, the growers have no fear of being cinched, and feel assured that they shall receive for their fruit all the law of supply and demand will allow. Ontario's growers are also happy in this assurance—the majority of them having pledged their fruit to the Southern California Fruit-growers Union.

Campers in Niles Canyon.

The order recently issued to the effect that no more campers will be allowed in Niles Canyon, Alameda County, applies, it is said, only to that portion under the control of the water company and not to the other end of the canyon.

High License.

Bishop Nichols will speak on "The High License Movement," under the auspices of the San Francisco High License Association, at Metropolitan Temple, on Tuesday next. A. S. Hallidie will preside over the meeting.

Hydrophobia!

Dogs transmit it through their teeth. Teeth should be kept free from virus. Use SOZODONT, keep the human teeth clean and no damage can be done by the man who says to his girl, "I feel like eating you up, dearest."

OBITUARY.

GEORGE F. COOPER.

George F. Cooper died at his home at Selby Flat, near Carson, Nev., on Sunday afternoon last, after an illness of five days. He was born at St. Johns, Newfoundland, October 10, 1819, and came to California in 1853. Three years later he moved to Selby Flat, where he has resided continuously ever since. His wife died seventeen years ago. Of his family there survive him his son, J. M. Cooper, Mrs. T. C. Randall, Mrs. F. L. Cooper and the Misses Ina and Allie Cooper. He was a man of genial nature and sterling worth and was respected by all who knew him. He was buried by Nevada Lodge, F. and A. M., of which lodge he was a member.

ARCHBISHOP LANGEVIN.

Archbishop Jean Langevin of the diocese of Rimouski, Province of Quebec, died at Farther Point last night, aged 71 years. He was consecrated to his office May 1, 1867.

DOWAGER DUCHESS LOUISA.

Dowager Duchess Louisa, widow of the late Duke Maximilian and mother of Duke Charles Theodore, died at Munich, the capital of Bavaria, yesterday of influenza.

REV. R. B. HOWARD.

Rev. R. B. Howard of Boston, Secretary of the American Peace Association, died at Rome, Italy, yesterday.

DAVID B. MACEE.

We present to-day the certificate of David B. Magee, the well-known Sacramentan. He was in San Francisco recently, and the question turning on headaches he announced that although he used to be troubled that way he had not had a headache for over a year. All asked the same question, "What did you do for it?" He reduced his answer to writing at our request, and it is as follows:

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New York Sun.

Mr. Benjamin J. Courter is an extra ticket agent on the Sixth-avenue Elevated Railroad. He resides at 146 West Seventeenth street in this city. In a recent interview with the writer he said: "For fifteen years I have been troubled with catarrh, which soon became chronic, and my nose would stop up first on one side, then on the other. It seemed impossible to keep both sides open at once, and so my mouth did duty as a breathing apparatus instead of my nostrils. There was a severe pain over my eyes and a feeling of tightness across the bridge of my nose. My head ached frequently and severely. There was a constant dropping of mucus or phlegm into my throat from the back part of my nose.

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