

DESPERATE INFATUATION.

A young San Francisco lady shot down at Copperopolis.

HER ASSAULT A WORTHLESS SCAMP.

An Italian named Patti, becoming hopelessly attached to Mabel Wheeler, takes cowardly revenge for her rebuke.

SPECIAL TO THE MORNING CALL.

STOCKTON, Sept. 8.—Miss Mabel Wheeler, a daughter of Dr. Wheeler of San Francisco, was dangerously shot at Copperopolis last evening by an Italian named Antonio Patti, who was desperately in love with her.

He had been persistent in his attentions to her, but she had only treated him civilly.

She was visiting her relations, the Hedges, who keep the Union Hotel at Copperopolis, and had but little acquaintance with the worthless fellow.

On Wednesday evening, while walking with a married lady a short distance from the hotel, Patti slipped out from behind a building place, and flourishing a pistol, demanded that the young lady go with him and that her friend leave her.

Miss Wheeler screamed and threw up her hands.

Patti fired a bullet through her hand. She ran and he fired a second time, the bullet entering her back and lodging in her breast.

Patti ran to the hills, but was caught and taken to San Antonio.

She was lying dangerously wounded, although the bullet has been removed from her breast. Her father passed through here today, going to her assistance.

There was a worthless scamp, who was recently run out of Sonoma.

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 8.—Great excitement was here today when the body of Antonio Patti, who shot and almost fatally wounded a young lady named Mabel Wheeler of Copperopolis, was found.

He was lying on his back in a room at the hotel, where he had been taken by the police.

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THE DESK ON WHICH IT WAS SIGNED.

The Desk on Which It Was Signed Now at the State Fair.

MANY OTHER CURIOUS ON EXHIBITION.

Los Angeles Has by Far the Largest and Finest Array of Relics in the Historical Section.

SPECIAL TO THE MORNING CALL.

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 8.—This dispatch is written at the desk on which the original of California was signed at Monterey. The desk is a rudely constructed affair, with a slanting top, covered with worn, faded and tattered blue baize.

It rests upon an old cork workbench of the early mission days, which was broken in the Pacific waters. The old desk has a rival claim for this honor, in the form of an old mahogany table, with one leg gone, but still a splendid piece of San Domingo mahogany, black with age.

This table was used by the first Napoleon at Elba, and was taken on board the Nautilus, the vessel on which the little corporal made his escape from the island.

The Nautilus, as we know, was broken in the Pacific waters, and was wrecked in the bay of Monterey. The table was taken ashore from the wreck and was long used as a mess-table by the naval officers, and its present owner, Carlos de la Guerra of Santa Barbara, states that it was signed the memorable first constitution.

The historical committee, however, have placed the desk, "in honor of the signing of the original of California," in the historical section of the State Fair.

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THEY RODE IN BARROWS.

Results of Wagers Made on the Big Battle.

There Are Some Losers Who Contend That Sullivan and Corbett Had the Thing Out and Dried.

There was a remarkable episode on Market street about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A man of 40 or thereabouts, with sleeves rolled up and dripping with perspiration, was pushing along a wheelbarrow in which a companion was comfortably seated with his hat tipped back jauntily, complacently smoking a pipe.

They tried to appear indifferent to the crowd which was cheering and shouting, but they were enjoying it all immensely. Neither of the men was insane. It was only the payment of a bet on the Sullivan-Corbett fight. Patrick Kelly, an admirer and knew no fear as the result of the contest. Right here his friend Creighton took issue with him and backed his opinion with a wager of \$16. The men further agreed that the loser should wheel the winner's barrow down the Pacific street to Corbett's home in Hayes Valley.

Yesterday afternoon the bet was paid. The excited crowd which followed them entered with spirit into the sport and managed to "do Kelly's" task doubly well.

"I don't know what the bet was, but I'll bet after all it was a good one," said Kelly after the fact. "This wheelbarrow hasn't got any springs, and going over the curbs is something awfully rough. But my bet was determined to pay his wager to the letter and insisted upon completing the journey to Hayes Valley."

"Sullivan, a colored waiter, who lives at 608 Mission street, was sure that Sullivan would beat Corbett in the light at the conclusion of the fight. He had a wheelbarrow under the Palace Hotel last night if the champion was defeated.

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THE WATER-FRONT TRIAL.

Testimony Offered on Behalf of the Plaintiff.

Going Back to Prove Title—Early Records Introduced in Evidence—Adjournment Till To-morrow.

The attendance was a little larger at the Oakland water-front trial yesterday, the wearisome work of getting a jury having ended.

Harvey S. Brown, who has been absent for the time being, was yesterday granted a jury, opened the case for the plaintiffs by stating that he would prove title by beginning with the incorporation of Oakland in 1852.

The water front granted to the city by the Legislature in 1852, was soon after conveyed to H. W. Case, who would follow up a chain of reconveyances down to 1868, when it became the property of the water-front company. He would prove that the Legislature ratified the ordinance and established when it passed an act amending the charter in 1857, referred to the act of the Legislature in 1867 authorizing the city to settle the water-front controversy at that time, and to ordain a new charter in 1868.

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THE EASTERN TURF.

A Day's Good Sport on the Principal Race-courses.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 8.—The track was fast to-day at Latonia and the winners were:

Six furlongs, Duke Hughes won, Mand B second, Ballard third. Time, 1:17. Seven furlongs, Selin D won, Brackett second, Calhoun third. Time, 1:28. Four furlongs, El Rayo second, Valera third. Time, 1:14. Five furlongs, Fay S won, Southern Lady second, Golden Hope third. Time, 1:05. Six furlongs, Selin D won, Brackett second, Calhoun third. Time, 1:15.

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