DRY GOODS.

SPECIAL VALUES TO-DAY
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LADIES' Muslin Underwear!

Having just uncased a heavy shipment of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, bought at specially heavy discounts from one of the leading and best Eastern manufacturers, we to-day begin A SALE THAT WILL AFFORD OUR PATRONS A RARE CHANCE TO REPLENISH THEIR SUPPLIES, as the lines offered are all NEW, FRESH GOODS OF SUPERIOR QUALITY AND FINISH, and are to be placed on sale at

POSITIVELY THE LOWEST PRICES IN THE MARKET.

CHILDREN'S HATS AND CAPS.

At 25 Cents.

CHILDREN'S CAPS, made of corded and plain lawn, deep ruche around cap, wide strings, extra good value for 40c, will be offered at 25c.

At 50 Cents.

CHILDREN'S HATS, made of fine lawn, deep brim, extra good value for 75c, will be offered at 50c.

LADIES' GOWNS.

At 50 Cents.

LADIES' GOWNS, made of heavy muslin, lined back, tucked yoke, finished with beading, extra good value for 75c, will be offered at 50c.

At 75 Cents.

LADIES' GOWNS, made of "Pride of the West" muslin, Mother Hubbard back, tucked yoke, with deep insertion between, all seams finished, extra good value for $1, will be offered at 75c.

At $1.00.

LADIES' GOWNS, made of Masonville muslin, box-plaited back gown trimmed in the latest style with colored embroidery trimmings, deep sailor collar and cuffs trimmed to match gown, extra good value for $1 50 will be offered for $1 00.

At 50 Cents.

LADIES' CHEMISES, made of Wamsutta muslin, yoke of fine tucking, neck and sleeves finished with cording, extra good value for 65c will be offered at 50c.

At 85 Cents.

LADIES' CHEMISES, made of heavy muslin, round neck trimmed with Hamburg edging, extra good value for 85c will be offered at 65c.

At 50 Cents.

LADIES' DRAWERS, made of heavy muslin deep yoke band finished with cluster of tucks and ruffle of embroidery, extra good value for 75c will be offered at 50c.

At 75 Cents.

LADIES' DRAWERS, made of Wamsutta muslin, deep yoke band, finished with wide ruffle of Hamburg embroidery, extra good value for $1, will be offered at 75c.

At 25 Cents.

LADIES' APRONS, made of fine lawn, extra long wide strings, extra good value for 40c, will be offered out at 25c.

LADIES' WAISTS.

At 75 Cents.

LADIES' WAISTS, made of French percale, in fancy stripes of blue and white, box plaited back, sailor collar and cuffs, extra good value for $1, will be offered at 75c.

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MURPHY BUILDING,
Market Street, corner of Jones,
SAN FRANCISCO.

OVER IN OAKLAND.

Contest Over the Will of Mrs. A. L. Murphy.

No Foreign Insurance Companies Wanted—Improvements in Alameda—Berkeley Election.

THE MURPHY WILL CONTEST.—The hearing of the contest to the will of Mrs. Anna L. Murphy, who died in London, widow of Daniel Murphy of the well-known firm of Murphy, Grant & Co., came up yesterday before Judge Henshaw. The estate is valued at about $500,000, which Mrs. Murphy left entire to her three daughters—Mary H. Murphy, Frances J. Murphy and Mary M. J. Murphy. Her other children—Daniel Murphy, Samuel Murphy and Lady Wolseley of England, are the contestants. The three young ladies named in the will were in court yesterday morning when the case came up on a motion for a continuance. After considerable discussion Judge Henshaw held that the contestants were entitled to a continuance, on account of the illness of their counsel, Russell Wilson. The case was finally set for May 18.

GRAND ARMY MONUMENT.—A handsome granite monument twenty-four feet high is now being erected in the G. A. R. plat, Mountain View Cemetery, to the memory of those veterans who have from time to time found their last resting-place in that hallowed spot. The cost of it—some $2600—has been subscribed by the citizens in small sums. It is to be unveiled on Decoration-day, when impressive services will be held commemorative of the event. The appropriate sentence—"To the nation's honored dead"—is the sole inscription on the monument.

IMPROVEMENTS.—Washington street, which is now forging ahead so much as to rival Broadway as a business center, is soon to have an addition in the shape of a banking establishment. The California Bank and Trust Company, A. C. Henry president, has secured under a ten years' lease the corner store under the Masonic building, at present occupied by a druggist. Alterations will soon be commenced, and the new establishment will be made equal to any of the similar institutions in the city.

OPEN TO COMPETITION.—There has been a law made by resolution of a former Board of School Directors excluding foreign insurance companies from the right to take risks on school property. "America for Americans," said a member of that board, "and American insurance for American schoolhouses." Now things are changed. Monday night the new board met and rescinded the resolution, and now all insurance companies can have a show.

ASSESSED FOR IMPROVEMENT.—An assessment of $5 per share has been levied on the capital stock of the Oakland Consolidated Electric road. It will be applied to improvements and extensions. The road is said to be doing well financially.

DROPPED DEAD.—At 9 o'clock last evening Mrs. Emily Wolley, 58 years of age, residing at 816 Thirtieth street, dropped dead while sitting with her family at their residence.

Alameda.

ENCINAL AVENUE.—It is understood that proceedings will be commenced anew in the matter of opening and widening Encinal avenue. The City Trustees sustained the protest of the property-owners Monday evening. The board would have quashed the entire proceedings had not the City Attorney advised that it could not be done for the reason that the commissioners had acquired certain vested rights in the matter. The assessment district will be enlarged and the entire work gone over again by the commissioners. It is now the intention to improve the avenue between Oak and High streets.

CHARGE AND DENIAL.—Mr. Isaacs stated at the meeting of the City Trustees Monday evening that T. D. Poole, a real estate agent, charged him with bribing the Encinal avenue commissioners, and Commissioner Naybor took exception to the remark and stated that a settlement would be had with Poole. Poole denies that he made any such remark.

A NEW CITY HALL.—The City Trustees will meet Friday evening to discuss the feasibility of building a city hall. A new era has dawned in the Encinal.

THE ELECTRIC CARS.—Yesterday the electric cars commenced making regular trips between Oakland and Alameda.

Berkeley.

TOWN ELECTION.—The returns of the two precincts from West Berkeley change the yesterday's announcement in but one case, Acton instead of Cooper for Town Trustee being elected. Fifteen hundred and forty votes were cast in all by the seven precincts. The question of reorganization had a close call in the vote against it in West Berkeley, but it was carried by 16 votes, 533 for to 517 against. The ticket as elected, with the majorities of the officers, is: Town Trustees—M. J. Acton 55, C. A. Preble 170, V. Steubenrauch 164; School Directors—P. R. Boone 457, J. W. Richards 455; Town Marshal, C. R. Lord 61; Town Clerk, George C. Woodsum 139; Town Treasurer, J. B. Henley 116; Town Assessor, Isaac W. Wells 239; Town Constables—William H. Bone 13, C. J. Newell 366.

BOATING CREW.—Garnett took his crew down to the water for its first row yesterday. All previous training has been on the gymnasium rowing-machine. The crew will live on training diet all summer and return two weeks early to college in the fall to train for the race.

WILL TEST THE LAW.—Julian Marcase, who was fined by Justice Long yesterday for selling merchandise at large without a license, says he will test the constitutionality of the law before the Supreme Court.

SENIOR'S RECEPTIONS.—President Kellogg will entertain the class of '93 Thursday evening at his residence. The seniors in philosophy will be entertained to-morrow evening by Professor Howison.

YALE CREW.—A picture of Yale's victorious '92 crew has been presented to Stiles Hall by Professor T. R. Bacon, Yale '72, and instructor L. D. Syle, Yale '79.

A Book for Money Makers.

The Chicago Tribune in speaking of Mr. Nath'l C. Fowler's book on advertising and business publicity, says that it comes as near actually giving specific directions for the acquisition of wealth as is possible for human help to come. This book contains 518 pages and several hundred plates; covers the entire broad field of advertising and publicity; tells how to save money on engraving, commercial printing and every kind of advertising—a book indispensable to every business man whether he be an advertiser or not. Sent by prepaid express to any part of the United States and Canada for $3 75, and he who receives it, if not satisfied, may return it, and receive his money back. The Trade Company, 299 Devonshire street, Boston.

The Survival of the Fittest.

By retaining your baggage checks until you reach this city you will save money, our rates being lower than all others, viz.: Trunks 35 cents each. Baggage called for and delivered to all trains, etc., at the above rates. Morton Special Delivery. Offices—17 Geary street, 408 Taylor street and Oakland ferry depot.

A FISHING-BOAT, an oyster-boat, a whale-boat, a schooner or a tugboat should keep abreast of the times and be fitted with a gasoline engine. Efficiency and profitableness will surely be promoted thereby. These facts have been demonstrated in the case of the Hercules Marine Engine, manufactured by Palmer & Rey, 405 Sansome street, this city. Send for a catalogue.

The Worthington Case.

W. T. Worthington, the photographer, who has been made an accessory before the fact in the murder of Henry Baddely, sat silent and melancholy in a room at the prison hospital yesterday. He had a police officer to keep him company, but this did not lessen the growing conviction that the business is assuming a much more serious character than he had at first supposed.

His wife is confined in another apartment at the prison hospital, and is much better than at any time since the shooting. It is expected that the couple will appear in court to-day at the preliminary hearing.

WE call the special attention of our fruit-growers to an advertisement of Flagler's Preservative Compound in our columns. Ripe fruits can be preserved for several months, enabling shipments abroad.

Out of 354 specimens of British birds, 214 migrate and 140 are found at all seasons of the year.

WHERE CAN IT BE?

No One Knows the Fate of Jessup's Money.

KOWALSKY APPEARS AT LAST

Several Attorneys Are Examined by Judge Slack as to the Later Proceedings in Jessup Case.

The mystery of the disappearance of the $20,000 to $30,000 worth of property turned over to Richard Page Jessup, after all attorneys' fees and other expenses of litigation had been paid, seems well nigh inexplicable. Judge Slack tried his hand yesterday at the now celebrated puzzle and failed lamentably.

The question as to how far the Superior Court may be disposed to further investigate the disappearance of the property and how far the court has power to so investigate the matter, now that the litigation is at an end and the estate has passed out of the custody of the court, is an exceedingly difficult one to answer.

The result of yesterday's proceedings may be briefly expressed as indicating that a large amount of property passed into the hands of the Mahoneys and is now held in their name.

Kowalsky winked the other eye and said that while very little may be actually in the possession of the heir nevertheless he thinks that young Jessup has at least $25,000 "pretty close to his belt," as Kowalsky put it, and this opens up a long vista of probable suits to set aside deeds to the Mahoneys as made to defraud creditors.

The $5000 note of Mrs. Hatton and the numerous other claims against the unfortunate young man will now no doubt be pushed with great vigor, and the litigation may be endless.

By Judge Slack's order the matter of the investigation has been referred back to Judge Coffey to take such further action as he deems proper.

The proceeding held yesterday before Judge Slack was a hearing upon an order citing all parties connected with the distribution of the estate under the decree of the court to appear and show cause why the said decree should not be set aside on the ground of misrepresentation made to the court, as a result of which it signed the decree.

The matter was first brought to the attention of Judge Coffey by the filing of a petition by Alfred Clarke, the attorney, in which he asserted that he had a claim against the estate for money loaned, and that the petition of the administrator asking that the estate be distributed misrepresented the condition of the estate, inasmuch as no reference was made to Clarke's unpaid claim.

The proceedings in connection with the signing of the decree having taken place before Judge Slack, who was temporarily sitting in Judge Coffey's court during the latter's vacation, Judge Coffey referred the petition to Judge Slack for investigation.

After several adjournments, necessitated latterly by the absence in Los Angeles of H. I. Kowalsky, the case was finally called yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Kowalsky was not present, but wired that the train had been delayed, and that he would be in court at 10:45. In the meantime Judge Slack questioned several of the other parties.

The petitioner, Alfred Clarke, was first called to the stand. In answer to a question of the court as to the nature of his unpaid claim against the estate, he said that he had loaned money to Morris Baum, who was formerly employed on the case. Baum gave him (Clarke) his note for $5000, which he secured by an assignment of his (Baum's) interest in the Jessup case.

"Kowalsky settled with me," he said, "by giving me certain papers, the nature of which is a confidential matter. I have never been able to realize anything upon it, however."

"But you accepted that paper in payment of your claim?"

"Yes, sir; but it has never been paid."

"Well, your claim is a purely personal matter, and has nothing to do with the estate," said the court.

In answer to questions of John H. Dickinson, Clarke also admitted that Baum had not been an attorney of record in the case and could not claim any fee from the estate. His assignment of his interest, therefore, could not have been a lien upon the estate, even if he had not accepted Kowalsky's paper in payment of the claim.

Judge Slack was not satisfied with Clarke's failure to prove his right to have the decree of distribution set aside. He had still another possible cause of action against the distributors.

Judge Coffey had informed Judge Slack that when the matter of the appointment of a guardian for young Jessup had been submitted to him for the second time he had refused to declare the young man incompetent, but had informed the attorneys that when the estate came to be distributed he would then appoint a guardian to protect the property interests of the boy; and Judge Slack was bent upon ascertaining whether the parties had come to him in Judge Coffey's absence, simply because they knew him to be in ignorance of Judge Coffey's kindly intentions.

So J. H. Dickinson, attorney for the proponents of the will of the father of young Jessup, was called to the stand and interrogated by the court. Mr. Dickinson denied ever having heard Judge Coffey make any such statement in reference to the appointment of a guardian in the distribution.

He briefly reviewed the several proceedings which had from time to time been instituted for the appointment of a guardian, the first being in March, 1887, the application being denied and the contest of the will immediately commenced. The boy was of age as early as in February, 1887.

Being interrogated concerning the agreement of compromise between the heir and his clients, he stated that the settlement was consummated in his own office and that young Jessup was represented by J. N. E. Wilson and J. H. Mahoney. The latter, young Jessup had told the witness, was looking after his interests, and he said he trusted him implicitly.

As to the appointment of Senator Byrnes, Attorney Dickinson said that the Senator had been given complete charge of the distribution, so as to simplify the matter. With the consent of all parties Byrnes had been given the entire property, which he then sold and distributed the proceeds in conformity with the terms of the settlement.

The property of the estate was found to be worth between $135,000 and $140,000, out of which Dickinson's clients received $50,000, the remainder going to the heir, subject to his 40-per-cent agreement with Kowalsky.

As to Jessup's private arrangements with the attorneys or other parties as creditors the witness knew nothing.

Colonel Kowalsky turned up a few minutes past 11 o'clock. He made his apologies to the court, who accepted them with the cheerful comment that the court and counsel had been vexatiously delayed and inconvenienced by the wait. Kowalsky then took the stand and was examined by Judge Slack.

Mr. Kowalsky said:

"Judge Coffey never told me he intended to appoint a guardian to look after the boy's interests pending the distribution"; nor did he ever hear of his having said so to any one else.

"Why was the decree presented to me in the absence of Judge Coffey?" asked Judge Slack.

"Because Mr. Jarboe, who was examining the title to the property, required it. It was in connection with the sale of the Third-street property to William T. Coleman. Jarboe said that unless the decree of final distribution was made he would not pass the title. There had been much delay already and we desired to push the matter. It was accordingly determined to have the decree signed. I did not advise it myself.

"I believe Mr. Dickinson and myself wanted to put the decree in escrow, but Mr. Jarboe insisted that it should be signed at that time."

"Why didn't you wait until Judge Coffey returned?"

"Because they wanted it done then, and I did not consider myself in charge of the matter, and so did not care to interfere. It was merely a question of settling up the title to the property."

"How did the settlement come about?"

"Well, I understood that Mr. Dickinson's clients were a little bit shaky in regard to the result of the final appeal, and wanted to compromise. I said that I was willing to meet them half way if they would make a reasonable offer. We finally settled upon $50,000, which was paid to Mr. Dickinson's clients. It was two-thirds of the entire estate."

"Wasn't it $52,000?"

"Something in that neighborhood. So there was something like $80,000 or $90,000 coming to the boy. Under my contract he was entitled to 40 per cent of the entire $140,000, but I only took 40 per cent of the amount paid Jessup, or about $80,000. I got about $30,000, but I had to settle back to the estate about $22,000 and $2000 or $3000 interest. I had also received about $6000 previously out of the estate."

"And what other slices were cut out of the boy's share?"

"Well, Mr. Gilleran received about $4000 for board and lodging advanced. Mr. Mahoney was paid a large sum for his services, Mr. Barnes was paid $5000 out of my share. But, of course, the boy had contracted a great many other debts, and all these had to be settled."

"He had no trouble in getting credit?"

"None at all. He was very lavish in his expenditures. He bought shoes and clothes and jewelry, and spent all the money he could borrow."

"Well, what became of the $25,000 or $30,000 remaining?"

"I don't know. Of course those matters were his private affairs."

"How much do you suppose young Jessup has at the present time?"

"I think he must have from $20,000 to $25,000."

"Isn't it near $3000?"

"No, sir, to the best of my belief he has the amount I have named."

"Who has it?"

"Well, the boy always had great confidence in the Mahoneys. He often said that they were protecting him from his creditors, and I have heard it elsewhere stated that he assigned property to them for that purpose. I suppose they have his interest in the residue of the estate. He is a cunning, crafty young man, as I have sized him up, and I think he has taken good care to place his property where it can't be gotten hold of, and if I am not mistaken he has a goodly wad very close to his belt. Tevis held a note for $5000, given for some shares in an imaginary electric railroad. They tried to collect them, but couldn't.

"Mr. Dickinson said that the settlement had been kept rather secret for the purpose of keeping the creditors in ignorance so that they could not intervene and interrupt the settlement."

"Well, the fact is that Mr. Richard Jessup gets very little out of the estate, isn't it?"

"No, sir; I don't think so for one minute."

The court had no further questions and Mr. Kowalsky left the stand.

Before leaving the room, however, he made a statement. He desired the court to understand that as far as his 40 per cent was concerned—of which so much has been said—he had worked for six long years for his fee, and that whatever others may have done he certainly had been guilty of no extortion.

Judge Slack, in dismissing the case so far as his department is concerned, said he was satisfied from the explanation made that no misrepresentations were made and that the proceedings had been regular enough.

"I will now return the order citing you gentlemen to appear to Judge Coffey to do as he thinks best in regard to continuing the investigation or dismissing it. I am satisfied that no attempt was made to take advantage upon my ignorance of the facts of the case."

ALONG THE FRONT.

Fisticuffs Behind Lumber Piles.

A New Whaling Company Formed. Accident to an American Captain. The Moroshire Missing.

Yesterday morning Sandy Peterson and a man called Burke got into a row over a personal matter and repaired to the shelter of the timber piled in front of Whitelaw's wrecking office. At the end of ten exhausting rounds both contestants were so used up as to present pitiful appearances. Neither man was able to fight any longer, so both were taken in care by their respective friends and helped to where they could obtain medical attendance.

A new whaling company has been formed, called the American and Russian Whaling Association. The schooner Jane Gray is to be the first vessel of this company's fleet to be sent north.

The Gray will fly the Russian flag, and to enable her to do this in accordance with the laws of Russia, and that she may have greater privileges in the waters under jurisdiction of the Czar, two or more citizens of Russia had to be named among the stockholders of the corporation.

Awaiting the signatures of these subscribers the Gray has been delayed, and will not sail for the whaling grounds before June 1 next.

The bark Helen W. Almy arrived yesterday morning from Butaritari, reporting that Captain Charles H. Tierney, a well-known American sea captain, of late years a resident of Apalang, one of the Gilbert Islands, had the misfortune to have his left hand blown off by dynamite. The captain was killing fish when the accident occurred.

The outlook for copra in the Gilbert Islands is very poor this year.

The British ship Moroshire, out 200 days from Java with sugar, is reported as being missing. The Moroshire is under command of Captain Mowatt, who is well known on the Pacific Coast. The vessel is bound for Vancouver, B. C.

At the meeting of the Coast Seamen's Union held night before last nominations for officers for the Pacific Coast division were considered. Names of nominees will be made public in a few days. The non-union office is now under control of the Manufacturers' Association. Captain Roe of the Ship-owners and Merchants' Patrol has not yet returned.

The Union Transportation Company announced that passengers for Stockton will not be carried over their line for less than 25 cents. They will not meet the California Transportation Company's cut of 15 cents.

Captain Gunderson of the Norwegian bark Karsten Langaard reports having spoken and delivered stores to the Norwegian ship Frank Carvill, five months out from Fort Blakeley for Queenstown with lumber.

Three vessels sailed for Queenstown yesterday—the bark Eudora and ships Cumberland and Ballochmyle. The race for port of destination of these vessels will be watched with interest by seafaring men.

It very seldom occurs that three ships clear for the same foreign port in one day at San Francisco.

The United States steamship Corwin is at Washington-street wharf, taking on stores for northern cruise.

The schooner Jennie Thelin, which left here on the 7th for Eureka, had to return to port on account of her jibstays being carried away during a squall. The Thelin suffered other damage to her hull and rigging.

A heavy sea struck the Hawaiian bark Leahi on May 8, off Point Reyes, washing away two of her boats and floating her decks with water.

Among the arrivals in the afternoon was the brig Consuelo, twenty days from Honolulu, and the brig Spartan, from Seattle with coal.

The missing ship Hiram arrived at Butaritari in January, nineteen days from Honolulu.

The excursion steamer Rosalie has gone to San Pedro, to be used between that port and Catalina Islands.

Scraps From Fistiana.

Alexander Greggains, the middle-weight pugilist, was expected to arrive from the East last evening. Greggains' wife is dangerously ill, and he was wired a few days ago to journey West as quickly as possible.

Spider Kelly, the pugilist, who figured so conspicuously in the Doan marriage ceremony, departed yesterday in company with Del Hawkins for Portland, Oregon. The Spider was dressed out in a flashy summer suit, and said to his friends before leaving that if he failed to get a match in the Northwest he would teach the Webfooters points in how to dress.

Billy Harrison, formerly the presiding officer of the Pacific Club, is now sojourning at Livermore, where Christopher Buckley owns a large estate.

Joe Acton has removed all of the athletic paraphernalia from the Palo Alto Club and stored it in some downtown warerooms. Joe has tired of the athletic business.

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MORGAN'S BULLET.

A Real Estate Man's Life Mystery.

ALL THEORIES UNAVAILING.

The Coroner's Deputies Waiting for Enlightenment—Morgan's Associates the Most Puzzled of All.

Shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday William I. Morgan, president of the Belvedere Land Company, retired into a closet at his offices, 512 California street, and sent a bullet through his heart.

The noise of the explosion of a firearm caused a prompt search to be made, but when the door was forced open the unfortunate man was already dead. There was a profuse hemorrhage from a wound in his left breast, and he presented a ghastly sight as he was raised and carried to the ambulance wagon. The record shows that the alarm was turned in at 2:25 P. M.

William I. Morgan.

All the signs point to an underlying mystery in the case that even the Coroner's jury may fail to unravel.

The letters and papers found on the body possess no value for an investigation with the exception of a letter addressed to the wife of the dead man, and this was not in his handwriting. It had passed through the mails, but was unopened, and a nice legal point exists whether even the Coroner has a right to open it.

William I. Morgan was born in St. Louis, Mo., about thirty-seven years ago, and came to this city in 1884. He engaged in the real-estate business and soon acquired a reputation as a clear-sighted business man. About a year ago he purchased of George Bargate, the then president of the Belvedere Land Company, the controlling interest in that enterprise, which was conducted at the offices of Tevis & Fisher. Morgan removed the offices to his own quarters, at 512 California street. He also purchased Bargate's house at Belvedere and resided there.

It is a peculiarly complicating feature of Morgan's suicide that, while all accounts represent him as having been in the best of spirits up to a brief hour before his death, there was found on him a new pistol, a box of cartridges, of which only one had been used, and a package of strychnine containing enough to kill a dozen people. Moreover, the most contradictory reports prevail as to his financial standing at the time, and, lastly, while one account represents his domestic relations as exceptionally happy, other vague stories are told of recent trouble.

Secretary Weston promptly had the doors of the office closed as soon as the body had been removed. He was unable to say more than that it was only a few minutes before the tragedy that Morgan left the room, apparently bright and cheerful and like a man who only expected to be out a few minutes.

Edgar M. Wilson, treasurer of the Belvedere Land Company, made the following statement: "I attach no value to the reports that Morgan was in financial straits. The annual meeting only took place yesterday. The reports for the year were presented and showed the company to be in the most satisfactory condition; better than ever before. I am the treasurer and the funds are subject to my check, so that it is impossible for any business in connection with the Belvedere Land Company to occur without my knowledge.

"I have just left Mr. Walker Powell, president of the Bank of British Columbia, which keeps our account, and he told me that the affairs of the company with the bank were O. K.

"As to Mr. Morgan's suicide it is a perfect mystery to me. There is no woman in the case. The only theory I can advance is that he was seized with a fit of temporary insanity. He was not subject to any mental disease, but there were times when he seemed a little rattled for a moment, but not more so than any of us might be. My own acquaintance with him has been simply in connection with the business of the company and his death at this time is a perfect surprise to us.

"Our annual meeting yesterday afternoon was harmonious in every respect. Morgan was re-elected president. He was a splendid business man, attending to all details with the greatest care.

"As to the report that a number of proxies were found in Mr. Morgan's possession there is nothing surprising in that at the time of an election.

"I happen to know also that Charles Wheeler entertained Mr. Morgan and his wife at Belvedere last night and that they had a very pleasant sociable home. He was at lunch to-day in the Bodle restaurant in the best of spirits.

"There is only one other idea that occurs to me in thinking of the suicide. Morgan had suffered severely from pains in the limbs, the result of rheumatic fever; and, in fact, he has always been an invalid during the six or eight months I have known him. It was because of ill health that he went to live at Belvedere, and I understand that while there his health somewhat improved.

"As for the affairs of the Belvedere Land Company, all I can say is that since the company started, in 1890, it has been very successful. The capital stock is $3,000,000, and about $1,250,000 worth of land has been sold.

"I consider Mr. Morgan to have been a man of means. Certainly he must have been worth more than $100,000, for only a week or two ago he qualified on a bond before Judge Angelotti, in Marin County, and testified that he was worth $110,000, clear of indebtedness.

"Morgan was a business-like, temperate man. I have always understood that he was happy in his home life, and not in any way tangled up with other women."

William E. Fisher, of the firm of Tevis & Fisher, was entirely unable to account for Morgan's suicide on any hypothesis connected with financial trouble.

"I feel perfect confidence," said he, "in the credit of the Belvedere Land Company. It is solvent and Morgan was not the custodian of its funds.

"Naturally, of course, the Belvedere Land Company required a great deal of time and attention from Morgan, and produced more or less worry, but my impression is that he committed suicide under temporary mental derangement.

"I was well acquainted with Morgan. We used to have the agency of the company, and were, in fact, the originators of it. When Mr. Bargate sold out his interest an offer was made to us, but we declined on a general question of values.

"I don't think there was anything financially wrong with Morgan. He was a very reticent man, and his best friends knew very little about him."

Every real estate man consulted seemed to think that the cause of Morgan's suicide must be sought for outside of any trouble with the company or insecurity of the latter's financial standing. "All real estate is dull now," was the general verdict; but there is nothing against Belvedere.

The only exception was a gentleman in the real estate business, who said he had no more than a theory to advance, but it might be worth something. It was this: Belvedere, or Kershaw's Island, is united to the mainland by a little strip of land which is said to be artificially constructed. The titles on the Belvedere estate are based on a Mexican grant; but Mexican grants do not cover islands. "It is just possible," said the gentleman, "that Morgan, who had put everything he had into the land, may have heard that the United States Government intended to bring suit to recover the island, on the ground that the connection with the mainland had been made with fraudulent intent. This, of course, would have affected Morgan very seriously, and may have preyed on his mind. I give this only as an idea, not as a fact, but I consider it significant that Morgan had had an interview with the California Title Company before he committed suicide."

It is pretty freely reported that Morgan had been solicited for payment of several small sums during the morning, one amount of about $100 being demanded only half an hour before he took his own life.

The appearance of Morgan's face as he lay at the Morgue showed clearly that the man had been considerably worn, either by mental anxiety or physical pain.

Dr. O'Brien decided last night that an autopsy was unnecessary, and the body was removed to an undertaking parlor, subject to the orders of the Coroner.

Morgan married a granddaughter of Milo Hoadley, and leaves besides his widow a daughter 4 years old.

The Late Mrs. Goodall.

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PROPOSALS
For Supplies of Coal and Wood.
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, May 9, 1893.
In accordance with resolution No. 8575 (Third Series) of the Board of Supervisors, SEALED PROPOSALS will be received in open session of the Board on MONDAY EVENING, May 15, 1893, from 7:30 to 8 o'clock, for furnishing coal for the City and County Hospital and Almshouse, from July 1, 1893, to June 30, 1894.
The coal is to be the first quality of West Hartley, Walsend, Sydney or Wellington (either New Wellington, East Wellington, Southfield Wellington or Dunsmuir Wellington), well screened, broken size, to be free from slack or shale (and to weigh 2240 pounds to the ton), and the kind of coal required to be furnished at such times and in such quantities as ordered for the City and County Hospital and Almshouse, with the understanding that the coal for the Hospital is to be delivered to that institution, and that for the Almshouse to be taken from the coalyard of the successful bidder or from the wharf, and to be delivered, of such kinds and in such quantities, as may be ordered from time to time.
NOTICE.—Bidders will estimate and bid a price per ton of 2240 lbs. for which they will furnish said coal, with the understanding that the board will award a contract for each kind of coal separately to the lowest responsible bidder, and that in all cases the coal must be inspected and weighed at such times and places as may be designated by the respective committees.
The party to whom the contract is awarded will be required, prior to or at the time of the execution of a contract, to pay the cost or a proportion of the cost of advertising this notice in three daily papers, with the understanding that the party to whom the contract to furnish wood is awarded will be required to pay only one-fourth the total cost of advertising this notice.
In order to preserve uniformity and to facilitate the award, the board has resolved to receive no bids unless made upon blank forms prepared by the committee, and a certified check for the sum of $500, drawn during the month of May, 1893, in favor of and made payable to the Clerk of the Board, must be deposited by the bidder, conditioned that if the proposal is accepted and the contract awarded, and if the bidder shall fail or neglect to execute a written agreement and give the bond required within four days after the award is made, then, and in that case, the said sum shall be paid into the City and County Treasury by said Clerk, as liquidated damages for such failure and neglect.
Blanks furnished by the Clerk.
The Board reserves the right to reject all bids if the public good so require.
JNO. A. RUSSELL, Clerk.

PROPOSALS
For Coal for the Hospital and Almshouse.
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For the Fire Department—The coal to be of the best quality of well-screened West Hartley, and Anthracite (Pennsylvania), and Anthracite (Welsh), egg size, free from slack or shale.
For the Public Offices and Courts—The coal to be of the best quality of either New Wellington or Dunsmuir Wellington, and Anthracite (Pennsylvania) and Anthracite (Welsh), egg size, to be well screened and free from slack or shale.
The wood to be of good dry redwood and Monterey pine, to measure 128 cubic feet to the cord; to be sawed three times, properly split, and to be delivered free of charge in quantities to suit. The Monterey pine for Fire Department to be cut fine, 18 inches long.
The descriptions of coal selected from time to time to be delivered free of charge, in sacks of 100 pounds each, in the different offices and rooms of the public buildings and houses of the Fire Department, also in the basement of the New City Hall, adjoining the engine-room, and on the first floor of the Old City Hall in the space allotted for the purpose; the wood to be also delivered in sacks as required, and all sacks to be left at the risk of the contractor, as aforesaid, until