ON A SUGGESTION.

The Mercantile Library and Its Affairs.

SHALL IT BE A NUCLEUS?

It Might Become an Artistic and Social Center.

SOME OPINIONS PRO AND CON.

The Idea of Enhancing the Usefulness of the Association Generally Welcomed.

The situation in which the Mercantile Library finds itself at the close of the official year is the subject of wide consideration. The membership, which approaches the 1000 mark, includes some of the most prominent ladies and gentlemen in the city, and many of them have been connected with the library association since its organization. Naturally, therefore, the destinies of the magnificent building and collection of books touch the intelligence and feeling of the members very closely.

The situation of the library is briefly this: Its revenue is not at present sufficient to meet expenses and pay interest on a $69,000 mortgage upon its building at the corner of Van Ness and Golden Gate avenues, which is conceded to contain the most magnificent library hall in the United States. In a few months, under the present circumstances, the limit to which the trustees are allowed to go in borrowing funds for interest will be reached. Then the mortgage may be foreclosed and the association turned into the streets with its rare books and the proceeds of a forced sale of the building, less the amount of the mortgage and its attendant expenses.

No veteran member or established San Franciscan can regard such a contingency with indifference. The library has been rescued from former slippery places and set upon its feet by loyal friends; it can reckon the strength of a time-honored public appreciation of strength among its valuable assets. Now that, owing to unforeseen pressure, it is again in a critical position, its friends are rallying to its assistance with plans of practical assistance.

The plans for relieving the situation have, so far, taken three different lines. One is an heroic suggestion for the appearance of a liberal man with a big pocketbook, or rather of a hundred of them, each prepared to donate $1000 for the liquidation of the association's indebtedness. The second plan involves the selling of the library building, and the renting with the proceeds of downtown quarters, or even the present quarters. The third is of a general nature, and includes a variety of schemes for increasing the attractiveness of the present location. It is in pursuance of the third line of action that the quarterly dues were recently reduced to $1 50, and this policy of making the best of the "bird in hand" seems to be the one which is deemed most feasible at present.

Still more far-seeing than making the library "attractive" is the suggestion that it be made more important and useful. Such a suggestion made editorially in THE CALL on Sunday has attracted general attention. It may be briefly recapitulated by the following extract:

But it seems that a plan might be devised by which the chief attraction of the library—its splendid room—might be turned to account. There is no such room anywhere in San Francisco. There is no such library hall in the United States. It is centrally located and easy of access. Suppose the subscribers to the Mercantile were invited to form among themselves a society or club for social, literary, musical and artistic purposes. They could give assemblies in their hall which would probably become the most fashionable in the city. They could give concerts, lectures and exhibitions of pictures. They could charge a round sum for membership in such a society, and the income so derived would supply a fund for the purchase of books and the encouragement of music and art. Would not the body eventually become the real center of social life in this city?

The suggestion included the setting apart of the library hall one night a week for a lecture, concert, dance or picture show; the co-operation of "persons of social standing and literary and artistic repute"; an infusion of femininity into the management, and a final pleasant hint that "250 members of the club at $20 each" would furnish $5000 a year to the library income without increasing its expenses incidentally it was indicated that such a club might supersede the "present organizations which cherish pretensions to be the only true and original Jacobs," in which case the estimated number of applicants for membership would be exceeded.

A tour among some of those most interested in the library showed that the suggestion had fallen upon good ground and is likely to bear fruit in due season. Its details are not in every case accepted, nor, probably, was the article written on the ironclad lines of a club constitution. But both members of the board of trustees and subscribers have evidently hailed the article as welcomely as Congress greets a definite motion raising a direct issue in a tangled discussion. One or two typical opinions will fairly indicate the "pros and cons" elicited by THE CALL'S suggestions.

Librarian Coleman preferred to speak of the proposition from a strictly practical aspect of the space demanded in the library hall. He said that an area of 100x50 feet could, roughly, be furnished for the purposes of a lecture, picture show, dance or concert. There were, however, fixture difficulties in the way, and the acoustic properties of the hall were an unknown quantity. Certain lecturers that he could name would doubtless draw a large crowd, and the bookcases could be railed off for safety and convenience. He believed that satisfactory arrangements could be made to meet the plan of converting the library hall into a place of reunion once a week if the trustees thought it desirable. But the rights of the reading public would have to be restricted, and other means of relief might be considered more efficacious.

Trustee Dr. C. T. Deane represents the spirit of progress in the board, and it was at his motion that the recent reduction of dues was adopted. He said yesterday that THE CALL'S article had been of the greatest interest.

"While as yet unable to see how the plan proposed is to be exactly executed," said he, "I, personally, am in favor of any project whereby the library may be lifted from its present precarious condition. I am not in favor of sitting supinely by to await the inevitable crash that a policy of masterly inactivity entails. I would rather sell out and rent the present location from the purchaser or move downtown. If it were possible to carry out such an idea as THE CALL suggests I would endeavor to help it through to a successful issue. We have only about ten months in which to consider and the present board goes out in January. Something should be done and done at once.

"The plan under consideration requires discussion and elaboration. It has its fascinating side and will afford a good opportunity for those interested to express their views."

Dr. Deane explained that something was expected from an intended amendment to the by-laws providing for quarterly meetings of subscribers. There might also be an amendment providing for the carrying over of half the number of trustees for a second year's term to enable them to carry on the business of the library intelligently.

Sarah D. Hamlin, the well-known writer, is one of the subscribers of the library. She takes an absorbing interest in the magnificent institution, and is believed to know as much about the treasures which it contains as the librarian himself.

"There was never a more seasonable article written," she said yesterday. "The editorial in THE CALL invites attention to a most worthy object, and is full of suggestiveness.

"My own idea and I believe I voice the views of a large number of intelligent people, is that the library might well be made an artistic, literary and even social center. There are quite a number of young people's clubs in this city which might profitably make the Library building their headquarters. There are the Century and Laurel Hill clubs to start in with, though these are at present satisfied with their location. Then there is the Sorosis Club, newly organized and just now holding its meetings at Mrs. Irving M. Scott's house. Next you might take in the various young people's social and literary clubs. The Library building might be a general focus for the organizations.

"I think we need the young people and they need the counsel and strength of us older ones. We gain by their freshness, elasticity and hope and the general exchange would be mutually beneficial.

"Then the hall would be a magnificent place for art exhibits—say of the Keramic Club, an art-loan picture show or a display of the Camera Club. Only a comparatively few persons use the library as a reading-room, and the setting apart of one night a week by the trustees for such a purpose would be appreciated by the majority of the library subscribers.

"I don't think the people of San Francisco properly understand the treasure which they have in the library. Few realize the magnitude of the choice of books presented, the rare editions, the choice engravings, the wide scope of the reference department.

The hall itself is a grand place, classic almost in its atmosphere and ideal for the reader and student. Its upper floors can be made perfectly available for artistic conversaziones and club meeting-places. In fact it ought only to require pointing out for the various literary and artistic sets to eagerly avail themselves of the chance thus offered them."

Miss Hamlin's idea is of a club composed of both men and women, which shall represent the esthetic inclinations of the community and make the Mercantile Library its headquarters. She is of opinion that an "infusion of femininity" into the directorate would be beneficial in this connection, and that all obvious difficulties could be readily met by the exercise of tact, and the resource engendered by a purposeful enthusiasm.

DASHED TO DEATH

Arthur Chadwick Meets a Terrible Fate.

He Jumps From a Moving Elevator and Falls Underneath, a Distance of Five Stories.

A bright boy lost his life yesterday by falling down the elevator shaft of the Telephone building, 216 Bush street. Had he been careful the fatal accident would not have occurred.

The lad was Arthur Chadwick, 16 years of age, who lived at 1642 Vallejo street with his parents.

Shortly after 9 o'clock in the morning young Chadwick ascended in the elevator which was then in charge of George A. Glennon. A ring was heard from the fifth floor, and when Glennon approached the door he stopped the cage. The person who rang the bell had disappeared, and after looking through the grillwork Glennon pulled back the lever to ascend still further. Chadwick was in the elevator. While Glennon was in the act of closing the iron door Chadwick pushed it back and attempted to jump out. Apparently the boy changed his mind as to the floor he should get off at. And his mistake was fatal.

In jumping out his head struck the upper door-sill. Glennon grabbed at him with one hand and reversed the lever with the other, hoping to save Chadwick. Just at this moment the cage was about four feet above the fifth floor, and as Chadwick fell out after striking the iron framework he swung like a pendulum and fell headlong into the shaft. He had doubled underneath the elevator door in a manner which like the unaccountable always happens.

The boy's fall against the cellar-floor was accompanied with a crash that resounded through the halls. A doctor was called in from the Occidental Hotel, but he saw that young Chadwick was beyond human aid. Chadwick died ten minutes later and the Coroner took charge of his remains.

The dead boy had been employed as an office boy in the telephone company's supply department and was well liked by the clerks and others in the office. Glennon, who had charge of the elevator, has been running the machine for more than a year. He is 19 years of age and careful as well as competent to manage the machine.

A singular fact was noticed in connection with the occurrence. Chadwick fell five stories without any break to his terrible fall. When his body was received at the Morgue there was absolutely nothing to suggest a violent death, only a few bruises showing on the skin. A post-mortem examination, however, showed that his lungs and other vital organs were actually burst open as if torn asunder. The autopsy gave the cause of death as internal injuries.

PASSED BAD COIN.

Chestnuts Cannot Be Bought for Lead.

Joe Legges, who sells chestnuts at Kearny and California streets, thought he had encountered an Eastern swindler last night when he got a lead quarter of a dollar from a stranger.

A young man sauntered up to Joe's stand and bought a bag of chestnuts, giving a bad coin and securing 15 cents change. The peddler took the coin, but quickly discovered the fraud. He became excited and ran after the stranger, who, however, would not admit having given the bad 25 cents. Both men fought desperately until a policeman came along and separated them.

All three went to the old City Hall station, where the man who gave Legges the coin was charged with passing a counterfeit coin. He gave the name of Joe Gonzales and his occupation as cook.

Will Tell of His Travels.

Rev. Selah W. Brown of Los Angeles, who has traveled a great deal, and is an entertaining talker, will give a lecture on "Great Sights in Many Lands," at the Simpson Methodist Church this evening.

SHUT THEM OUT.

Boston Wins in a Close Game.

Pitcher Parrott's Wheels Were All Right, but the Colonels Failed to Hit Nichols.

It was a great game yesterday and Boston won. Notwithstanding the fact that Tom Parrott's wheels worked to perfection, and the machinery which he is supposed to carry concealed under his cap moved along as quietly as a highbinder on the warpath, still the fact must go down in history that the Colonels were shut out.

Perhaps it may not have occurred to the Champions, and doubtless a simple mention of the fact will be sufficient, but they are getting so in the habit of winning every game that it is really becoming discourteous on their part, all of which is unbecoming in an aggregation hailing from the center of the universe.

About 300 people shivered in the grand stand while the young men strove to get a man across the plate, but the nearest that most of them got was the starting point, and the hopes of the Colonels were badly frostbitten, while they chafed their fingers to keep them warm.

The Oakland team was on the bills to be strengthened by the substituting of Irwin for Cantillon at second, but it was not the Colonels' day, with all their additional strength. Irwin formerly played with the California League, until that organization struck a "stringency" in August, when he went East and finished the season with Chicago.

Parrott played a good game in every way. Aside from holding the Champions down to three hits he had five putouts to his credit, and he fielded everything in sight. In the fifth Long batted a high foul, which looked as if it would strike the edge of the grand stand in coming down, but the whole-souled athlete forstalled any such possibility by jumping up to meet the ball and pulling it in, and incidentally leaping clear over Kid Spier, who was waiting for it on the bounce.

The Colonels went out one, two, three, in the first, but in their half Boston scored a run. Hoy batted to Brown, but Parrott covered first and the mute was out. Long sent a single to left and took second on a passed ball. Duffy went out and McCarty batted to Van Haltren, who let the ball through, and Long scored. Buckley was given a base and Davis retired the side at first.

In the fourth, after Beckley and Davis were both out on flies, Nash lined out a swift one to left-field fence, but quick work by Treadway gave him only two bases on what looked a home run hit. Kittridge followed with a single and Nash scored.

That is the story so far as run getting is concerned. In the fifth Treadway came to bat and Long at short said something about a two-bagger, which Treadway at once responded to by sending one down past third. He was advanced by Parrott's fly out, but died at third when Irwin fouled to Kittridge.

But all the excitement in the game was centered in the Colonels' half of the sixth. Speer was first at bat and lined out a clean single to center. Hernon waited it out, sending Speer to second. Hines sent an easy one down between first and the pitcher's box, which Buckley fielded, but threw wild to second. Nine men in the Boston team at once made a big kick, claiming that Hines had bunted, but McDonald shook his head and the bases were full with nobody out.

Then comes the sorrowful part of the story. Van Haltren fouled out to Nash, and Denny batted to Nichols, who threw to Kittridge, catching Speer at the plate, and then doubled on Denny at first and all was over. The Colonels didn't get another chance to score. The details of the game are as follows:

BOSTONS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Hoy, c. f.	3	0	0	0	4	0	0
Long, s. s.	4	1	1	1	2	1	1
Carney, r. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCarthy, l. f.	4	0	0	0	3	0	0
Beckley, 1b	2	0	0	0	9	1	1
Davis, 2 b.	3	0	0	0	1	2	0
Nash, 3 b.	3	1	1	0	2	2	0
Kittridge, c.	3	0	1	0	5	2	0
Nichols, p.	3	0	0	0	1	4	0
Totals	29	2	3	1	27	12	2

OAKLANDS.	AB.	R.	BH.	SB.	PO.	A.	E.
Hernon, r. f.	3	0	0	0	2	0	0
Hines, c. f.	4	0	0	0	2	0	0
Van Haltren, s. s.	4	0	0	0	1	5	2
Denny, 3 b.	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
Brown, 1 b.	2	0	0	0	9	1	0
Treadway, l. f.	4	0	2	1	1	0	0
Parrott, p.	3	0	0	0	5	1	0
Irwin, 2 b.	3	0	0	0	0	4	1
Speer, c.	3	0	1	0	3	0	0
Totals	30	0	3	1	24	11	3

RUNS BY INNINGS.

Bostons	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	*	—2
Base hits	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	*	
Oaklands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0
Base hits	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	

Earned run—Bostons 1. Two-base hits—Nash, Treadway 2. First base on errors—Bostons 3, Oaklands 2. First base on called balls—Bostons 3; Oaklands 3. Left on bases—Bostons 6, Oaklands 6. Struck out—By Parrott 8. Passed ball—Speer. Time of game—1 hour. Umpire—McDonald.

BETH ISRAEL BAZAAR.

It Will Largely Aid to Pay the Temple Debt.

The Beth Israel bazaar, which was opened a week ago yesterday in Armory Hall, proved so great a success that it has been running on from day to day like Patti's farewell concert.

Last night, however, was positively the last performance. To-day will see all the pretty booths demolished and the few goods that remain unsold will be removed from Armory Hall.

Nearly everything salable, however, was disposed of last night. Mrs. Levy's booth ceased to exist some days ago, as all her wares had been sold; the flower booth had also disappeared, and the other stalls had a forlorn and empty appearance last evening. This fact, however, did not distress the ladies. On the contrary, they rejoiced over the amount of money that the good sales had brought into the treasury.

The net amount realized by the bazaar will not be known for some days. It was stated on Saturday last that about $5000 would probably be cleared. Mrs. Levy said last night to a CALL reporter:

"The receipts from the different booths have not yet come in. I can say positively, however, that the ladies are thoroughly satisfied with the results of the whole affair. Of course we never expected to pay off the entire church debt of $10,000; that would have been too much to expect from one bazaar. We are sure, however, that we shall clear off a considerable part of it."

The voting contest for the most popular lady and the most popular gentleman which had excited so much interest closed last night. Miss Sarah Jacobs was at the head of the ladies' poll and Rabbi Levy secured the greatest number of votes as the gentleman most in favor.

The rabbi was certainly earning his popularity by honest hard work last night, as mounted on a stool he cried: "Ten cents for ten chances in the parlor set; your last chance, ladies and gentlemen; a cent a ticket." And people who had not the least intention of investing in the uncertain chance of a raffle were aroused by Rabbi Levy's tireless efforts to dispose of the few articles remaining to be raffled for and bought tickets.

All of the participants were tired out with the week's hard work when the hour for closing the bazaar arrived, but there was not one who did not return home with the happy consciousness that success had crowned the efforts of the ladies of Beth Israel Synagogue.

STATE FRUIT EXCHANGE.

A Meeting Called to Consider Its Establishment.

A call has been issued for a mass-meeting of fruit-growers at Pioneer Hall at 10 A. M. on Friday, December 29. The object is to consider the question of establishing a State fruit exchange for the marketing of California fruits, raisins, nuts, etc.; ratifying, should the convention so decide, the steps already taken to that end under the auspices of the State Horticultural Society and choosing a board of representative fruit-growers to serve as directors for the first year.

To all persons purchasing tickets from points on the lines of the Southern Pacific Company and the San Francisco and North Pacific Railroad, and obtaining from their ticket agent a receipt for the money so paid, the companies named, provided at least fifty attend the convention, will sell return tickets at one-third the regular fare upon presentation of the receipt countersigned by the secretary of the convention.

Such receipts must be presented at the Southern Pacific Company's ticket office not later than Monday, January 1, and the tickets sold thereon will be good for forty-eight hours thereafter. The San Francisco and North Pacific Railroad will sell the reduced return ticket up to and including Tuesday, January 2. It will be seen that this arrangement permits all to remain to the opening of the Midwinter Fair and reach home during the life of their ticket.

Bound for Mexico.

The party of railroad conductors and their families who have been visiting the city for the last week left on the southern train at 5 o'clock last night. Stops will be made at points of interest between here and El Paso, and the tourists will also visit Old Mexico and points of interest on the Mexican Central Railroad. It is possible that two weeks will be spent in the land of the Montezumas.

HOW MRS. GRIFFES DIED.

Carroll Cook's Remarkable Theory for the Defense.

Attorney Carroll Cook occupied the whole of yesterday's session in Judge Wallace's court with a powerful and elaborate address for the defense of Martin O'Neil, charged with the murder of Mrs. Kate Griffes.

Mr. Cook opened by calling the attention of the court to the remarkable lapse of memory that O'Neil was well known to be always afflicted with when under the influence of intoxicating liquors. He asked the jury to believe that O'Neil had spoken nothing but the truth when he swore that his memory on the fateful night was a blank, and that after his third glass of whisky he remembered nothing more until he found himself in the old City Prison, charged with the crime of murder.

Then cases of circumstantial evidence were gone into by way of a caution to the jury to weigh such evidence carefully. There were so many cases of persons being convicted of crimes they never committed that if the jury had any shadow of a doubt in their minds as to the guilt of the prisoner they must under their oaths as jurors acquit him.

Mr. Cook then presented his theory of the mysterious circumstances surrounding Mrs. Griffes' death. He showed by the garments produced in court that Mrs. Griffes must have risen from bed on the evening in question, and he suggested that she had come over to San Francisco to consult a certain female doctor, who, by the way, is the mother of Mrs. Griffes' friend and companion, Mrs. Bates. She was attacked with sickness on the boat, and only too gladly accepted O'Neil's offer of some stimulating refreshment. While partaking of this refreshment in the Grizzly Bear saloon, the second attack came on, from which she died.

The police was somewhat sarcastically referred to by Mr. Cook, after which he dwelt for some time on the question of motive. He had not concluded when the court rose until this morning.

CALVINISTS MEET.

San Francisco Presbytery in Session.

It Is Asked to Take Charge of the Mission Work to the Resident Italians.

The quarterly session of the San Francisco Presbytery opened last night in Calvary Church, Rev. E. G. Matheny, the moderator, in the chair. Quite a number of ministers were absent, and several of the churches were not represented by a delegate from the session.

After devotional exercises the business before the presbytery was taken up. Rev. P. V. Veeder, D.D., was dismissed and commended to another presbytery. W. S. Farris, a licentiate under care of the presbytery, was dismissed to the presbytery of Pittsburg.

H. N. Brevier, also a licentiate, and who has accepted a call to the Memorial Church, South San Francisco, appeared before the presbytery for his final examination for ordination. Dr. Minton of the Theological Seminary at San Anselmo conducted the examination, which was unanimously sustained, and the 17th inst. was set as the date for Mr. Brevier's ordination and installation, Rev. J. C. Smith to preach the sermon, Dr. H. C. Minton to charge the pastor, Rev. G. D. B. Stewart to charge the people and Rev. J. Q. Adams to preside.

M. Nardi, who has been conducting mission work among the Italians of the city, presented the matter to the presbytery and explained what had been accomplished during the ten months that he had been in the field. His work is sustained by the Italian papers in the city and the school and mission which he has established are meeting with success. But all this so far has been at Mr. Nardi's own expense, and he has now pushed the work to a point where a regular minister is needed, and he asked the presbytery to assume the responsibility. The matter was referred to a committee with instructions to report this morning.

Dr. Minton read the quarterly report of the committee on foreign missions, treating of the work abroad in a general way.

The presbytery then adjourned until 9:30 this morning, and the remaining business will probably be disposed of at the forenoon session.

ENOCH S. BROWN.

Death of a Prominent Legion of Honor Member.

Enoch S. Brown, past supreme commander of the American Legion of Honor, died on Friday last at Brooklyn, N. Y., and was buried on Sunday from his late residence in that city. A large number or members of the various councils of the order in New York and Brooklyn and numerous visitors of other portions of the jurisdiction attended the funeral.

Enoch S. Brown was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1847, and resided there up to the time of his death. His connection with the American Legion of Honor began with the institution of the Grand Council of the State of New York in 1881. At the first session of that body he was appointed on the committee on laws, and at the next session was elected grand vice-commander. At the succeeding session he was chosen grand commander, to which position he was elected by acclamation three successive years. His services in the Supreme Council of the order began at the session of 1883. In 1877 he was the unanimous choice for supreme commander, and was re-elected in 1889 and in 1891, holding the position for six consecutive years. At the last session of the Supreme Council, in August last, he declined re-election on account of his health. During his administration he was an active and faithful worker and did much to guide safely the destinies of the order during the trying period of the past two years, leaving the order at the close of his administration in the very best possible condition.

Mr. Brown was also a member of the Odd Fellows, Masons, Knights of Honor, Royal Arcanum and several other organizations, in all of which he was an active worker.

Selling Liquor to Indians.

Deputy United States Marshal J. W. Slankard arrived from Phœnix, Ariz., last night at the City Prison with four Mexicans and a German en route to San Quentin. They had been sentenced for one year for selling liquor to Indians.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

INTERNATIONAL HOTEL.

G Leopold & w, Chicago
Miss Howard, Chicago
Mrs Barney, Chicago
Miss Barney, Chicago
E Gaustod, Modoc
D Wood & w, Sacramento
J la Blance, Vallejo
C Church, Los Angeles
C Bayles, U S N
M Nugent, U S N
G Cain, Angel Island
L Montague, Clarkberg
P Daley, Clarkberg
L Eppstein, Chicago
Miss Black & ch, Chicago
N Bock, Hanford
J Fleming, Modoc
T Vervoort, Modoc
Mr Schlefield & w, Sacto
G Hayes, Sacramento
W Orender, Salt Lake
G Evans, U S N
C Nichols, Angel Island
A Halliday, Clarkberg
G Holbrook, Clarkberg

PALACE HOTEL.

E C Bukowsky, San Gabriel
C H Gillett, Chicago
J G Leonard, Chicago
J H Burke, Boston
J H Van Horn, Salt Lake
G K Cornilig, N Y
C W Purter, N Y
G A Clement, N Y
F McLaughlin, Oroville
G H Strawbridge, Phila
W Crane & w, N Y
A B Jackson, Salinas
G Walter & w, Chicago
G B Martin, Chicago
C Wolley, Chicago
T Richard & w, Chicago
A Shoening, Chicago
A de Royal, N Y
J T Galvin, N Y
G E Goodman & w, Napa
C E Lewis & w, Minn
L G Wright, Redlands
J R Newborn, Riverside
G P Costigan & w, Colo
D W Archer, Buffalo
W A Loos, Bodie
J H Kinkead, Nev
J K Armsby & w, N Y
P Gaffney, Brooklyn
E C Geoffrey, Gilroy
J A Sargent & w, Kans Cy
Mrs G H Hanneman, Bost
T B Norris, Jacinto
A N Fitch, Tacoma
H B Durgin, Chicago
W A Pinkerton, Chicago
W H Prittie, Chicago
H de Castieberg & w, Chi
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NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

California Chapter No. 5, R. A. M., will meet THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING, December 12, at 7:30 o'clock. M. M., P. M. and M. E. M. degrees. By order of the H. P.
1 FRANKLIN H. DAY, Secretary.

A. O. H. Division No. 3—The regular monthly meeting of this division will be held WEDNESDAY EVENING, December 13, at 7:30 o'clock, in Drew's Hall, New Montgomery st. Bids will be received for rent of bar, also to furnish music for our grand ball to be held in I. O. O. F. Hall, December 30, 1893. Address M. H. McCAFFERTY, 1444 Jackson st.
M. J. MANNING, President.
EDWARD McCOSKER, Secretary. de12 2t

The Regular monthly meeting of Division No. 7, A. O. H., will be held in Irish-American Hall THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING at 8 o'clock sharp. All members are requested to be present. By order of M. G. SEARS, President.
THOMAS WALSH, Rec. Sec. 1

The Regular Montaly Meeting of the Laborers' Protective and Benevolent Association will be held at Irish-American Hall on WEDNESDAY, December 13, at 8 o'clock P. M. Members are earnestly requested to attend, as the election of officers will take place and business of importance will be transacted. By order
DENNIS SWEENEY, President.
P. FAHEY, Secretary. de12 2t

Annual Meeting—The Regular Annual meeting of the stockholders of the San Francisco Steam Company will be held at the office of the company, No. 78, Chronicle building, corner Market, Geary and Kearny streets, San Francisco, Cal., on SATURDAY, the 16th day of December 1893, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.
Office—No. 78 Chronicle building, cor. Market, Geary and Kearny sts., San Francisco, Cal. de6 10t

Annual Meeting—The Regular Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Andes Silver Mining Company will be held at the office of the company, rooms 2 and 3, Nevada block, 309 Montgomery st., San Francisco, Cal., on MONDAY, the 18th day of December, 1893, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Transfer books will close on MONDAY, December 11, at 3 o'clock P. M. JNO. W. TWIGGS, Secretary.
Office—Rooms 2 and 3, Nevada block, 309 Montgomery st., San Francisco, Cal. de4 td

Stockholders' Meeting—The Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Schooner Alice Cooke Company will be held at the office of the company, room 2, 22 Market st., San Francisco, at 3 o'clock P. M. MONDAY, Dec. 11, 1893, for the election of five directors to serve for the ensuing year.
no24 td A. H. HIGGINS, Secretary.

Stockholders' Meeting—The Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Schooner Robert Lewers Company will be held at the office of the company, room 2, 22 Market st., San Francisco, at 3 o'clock P. M. MONDAY, Dec. 11, 1893, for the election of five directors to serve for the ensuing year.
no24 td A. H. HIGGINS, Secretary.

Annual Meeting—The Regular Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Gould & Curry Silver Mining Company will be held at the office of the company, room 69, Nevada block, 309 Montgomery st., San Francisco, Cal., on MONDAY, the 18th day of December, 1893, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a board of trustees to serve for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Transfer books will close on FRIDAY, December 15, at 3 o'clock P. M.
no30 td ALFRED K. DURBROW, Secretary.

Engrossing of Resolutions—C. EISENSCHIMEL, 223 Kearny st. de6 tf

Halls to Let Cheap. Cambrian Hall, 1133 Mission st., bet. Seventh and Eighth. Apply to janitor on premises. no26 4t* Su

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Mrs. M. F. Rogers, Private Home in confinement. 929 Howard st. de10 1m*

Bad Tenants Ejected for $4. Collections made; city or country. Pacific Collection Co, 415 Montg'y st., r. 6. Tel. 5580. de24 tf

Mrs. Borgstrom, Experienced Midwife; home in confinement. 823 Howard. 1m

Ladies, for Your Benefit See Mrs. PUETZ, prof. midwife. 254½ Fourth. d5 1m

Fits (Epilepsy) Cured—New and sure treatment for consumption, asthma, chronic bronchitis, tubercular laryngitis, catarrh (ten-day medicine free), scrofula, obesity; speedy cure for women diseases; chronic local rheumatism and sciatica cured immediately. Office hours: 11 to 12 A. M., 1 to 4 and 6 to 8 P. M. DR. SPITZY, 2006 Mason, nr Montgomery av. 6m

Get Your House-Painting, Paperhanging and decorating done reasonable at G. ORSI'S, 25 Montgomery ave.; telephone 5860. tf

John F. Lyons, Notary Public and Commissioner of Deeds, office 607 Montgomery; telephone 5439; residence 2202 Steiner street. je9 tf

Books Bought and Sold. Healy & DALY, 408 O'Farrell st. 18 tf

Whitening rooms, $1 Up; Papering $5 up. GEO. HARTMAN, 513 Third st. jy2 tf

Elegant Assortment of Cloaks at wholesale prices. Factory, 20 Sansome. 1y

Mrs. Humbser, 1161½ Mission—Home confinement; diseases ladies treated. n29 1m*

Dr. Anthan, 229 Kearny—Diseases of women; nervous, chronic ails, etc. no15 85t

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

LADIES—FOR A FIRST-CLASS SERVANT leave your order with J. F. CROSETT & CO., 312 Sutter st. 1

BARKER'S JAPANESE EMPLOYMENT OFfice, 619 Sacramento st. de12 5t*

SITUATION WANTED AS HOUSEKEEPER; reliable and competent; hotel or family. Address H. K., box 127, Call Branch. de12 3t*

A COMPETENT PERSON TO DO GENERAL housework; good cook and laundress; no objection to country. Call 345½ Third. de12 3t*

BY A YOUNG WOMAN TO DO CHAMBERwork or housework. Call at 1138 Howard st., room 23.

YOUNG LADY WISHES TO LEARN DRY-goods business; smart and obliging; will give time. Address H. S., box 106, Call Branch. 12 3t*

WANTED—POSITION AS NURSE; 1 YEAR'S training in hospital. Address T. N., box 134, Call Branch Office. de12 3t*

SWEDISH GIRL WANTS A SITUATION TO do housework; English family preferred. Address MRS. S., 927 Florida st. de12 3t*

GOOD STRONG YOUNG WOMAN WANTS work by the day; housework of any kind. Call 88 Everett st., bet. Third and Fourth, MISS FELLOWS. de12 3t*

RELIABLE WOMAN WANTS SITUATION AS cook. Call or address 628½ Sixth st. de12 3t*

WANTED—SITUATION BY COMPETENT woman to do general housework; is good cook and laundress and understands housework thoroughly. Address H. W., box 124, Call Branch Office. de12 3t*

GOOD SEAMSTRESS; MAKES DRESSES $1 50 up; gentlemen's mending; coats bound; clothes cleaned. 114 Fourth st., room 15. de12 3*

YOUNG GERMAN GIRL WOULD LIKE A position in a German family to assist in light housework. Call 322 Folsom st. de12 3t*

WIDOW, WITH 12-YEAR-OLD SON, WISHES a position as housekeeper; city or country. Inquire 303 Third st., room 3. de12 3t*

RESPECTABLE MARRIED WOMAN, HAS 4 children to support, wishes work by the day; can do any kind of sewing; is a fine buttonholemaker; or will do any kind of housework or washing. Please call 13 Sherwood place in the rear. de12 3t*

GOOD SEAMSTRESS WISHES WORK BY THE day. 502 Mason st. de12 2t*

WANTED—SITUATION IN SMALL AMERIcan family by a good competent cook. Call or address 26 Ritch, near Third. de12 2t*

YOUNG WOMAN WOULD LIKE TO HAVE charge of doctor's office or as ladies' nurse. Call or address M. C. BAKER, 314 Golden Gate avenue. de12 2t*

BY YOUNG WOMAN TO DO HOUSEWORK OR washing by the day. Call 1050 Howard. 12 2*

COOK, FIRST-CLASS, ENGLISH, DESIRES POsition; excellent references. Address C. F., box 137, Call Branch Office. de12 2t*

ENGLISH WOMAN WANTS POSITION; IS a first-class cook; also good laundress and baker; references; city or country. Call or address 111 Elm ave., bet. Pierce and Scott, Golden Gate ave. and Turk st. de12 2t*

AMERICAN WOMAN WANTS SITUATION to do general housework; good plain cook, washer and ironer; no objection to large family; wages $12 to $15. Address 1205 Stockton st., nr. Pacific. *

DRESSMAKER, GOOD CUTTER AND FITTER, wishes engagements by the day; terms $1. Address G. C., box 127, Call Branch Office. *

YOUNG GIRL WISHES TO TAKE CARE OF children or upstairs work; good references. Call 322 Third st., room 7. *

YOUNG GERMAN GIRL WANTS PLACE FOR general housework. 2 Grand ave., bet. Ninth and Tenth sts. *

YOUNG GIRL WISHES POSITION IN STORE or office; wages not so much of an object as a good position. Address Girl, box 114, Call Branch Office. *

YOUNG GIRL WISHES A SITUATION TO take care of a child and assist. 2136 O'Farrell. *

AMERICAN WIDOW, INTELLIGENT AND refined (31), would like to obtain employment of some kind. Address F. E., box 105, Call Branch Office. *

RELIABLE GIRL WANTS A SITUATION TO do general housework or second work; city or country. Apply 1906 Leavenworth, nr. Union. *

COMPETENT WOMAN WANTS HOUSEWORK by the day; cleaning, sweeping, etc. Call or address 250 Tehama st. *

RESPECTABLE, FIRST-CLASS WOMAN; IS A general worker; would do most anything; go by the day, week or month; is reliable and willing; would like to go immediately; light wages. Address W. N., box 146, Call Branch Office. *

SITUATIONS WANTED—CONTINUED.

YOUNG WOMAN WISHES WORK; DAY, week or month; small family; willing and obliging. 1144 Folsom st. *

YOUNG LADY, RECENTLY FROM THE country, wishes a position in candy-store or bakery. Please call or address 217 Hayes st., millinery-store. *

NEAT YOUNG GERMAN WOMAN WISHES TO assist in restaurant or boarding-house. Address E. Z., 12½ Miller place. *

WANTED—BY RELIABLE GERMAN WOMAN steady engagement for light housework in small family, or take care of sick; small wages. 605 Stevenson st. *

SITUATION IS WANTED BY A COMPETENT woman for cooking and light housework in private family. Address 109½ Hayes st. *

WANTED—SITUATION BY A GIRL AS GOOD cook; also is a first-class pastry cook. Call 339 Hayes st. *

SITUATION WANTED BY A MIDDLE-AGED woman to do housework; plain family; no objection to children. 9½ Laskie st., in the rear, off Mission, near Ninth. *

DRESSMAKER, FIRST CLASS, WANTS SEWing by the day. 142½ Clara st. *

YOUNG STRONG GERMAN GIRL; WASHING and general housework; wages $