RETURNS TO FRANCE.

Triumphal Entry of Editor Henri Rochefort

AFTER SIX YEARS IN EXILE.

Demonstrations of Joy Greet the Noted Journalist.

MUCH MOVED BY THE ENTHUSIASM.

Traffic in the Rue Montmartre Is Stopped and Thousands Join in Singing the "Marseillaise."

PARIS, Feb. 3.—M. Henri Rochefort, editor-in-chief of the republican journal L'Intransigeant, who returns to France under the act of amnesty adopted last week, after having been in exile since 1889, arrived in Paris to-day. The staff of his paper joined M. Rochefort at Amiens, eighty-four miles north of Paris, where a crowd had gathered in the railway station to welcome the well-known journalist.

M. Rochefort was heartily cheered. He made a brief address without leaving the train. The public was not allowed to enter the Gare du Nord in this city, but on the arrival of the train in which M. Rochefort was traveling the pressure became so great that the crowd broke down the barricades and invaded the station, shouting "Vive Rochefort!"

M. Rochefort and his friends had the utmost difficulty in reaching their carriages. There were fully 50,000 persons gathered about the station. The best of humor was displayed, and frantic cheering indulged in. Rochefort was much moved by the enthusiasm. He bowed repeatedly from his carriage in response to the salutes extended to him. The crowd was so dense that the horses drawing the carriage could go no faster than a walk. One opponent of M. Rochefort gave vent to his feelings by shouting "Abas Rochefort!" A number of the crowd turned on him, and he had a narrow escape from being lynched.

The demonstrations continued all along the whole route from the Gare du Nord to the offices of L'Intransigeant at 142 Rue Montmartre. The offices were illuminated and much Bengal fire was burned. Outside, a transparency was inscribed with the words: "Vive la Republique."

Traffic in Rue Montmartre was completely stopped. The crowd sang the "Marseillaise," and shouted for M. Rochefort, until at last he appeared on a balcony and waved a handkerchief at his enthusiastic admirers.

Forty policemen were stationed in front of the offices, but there was no disorder. The crowd then dispersed quietly.

CAUSED BY A BROKEN RAIL.

Theatrical People Injured in a Railroad Wreck.

NEWTON, Ills., Feb. 3.—A bad wreck of an extra freight train carrying a passenger-coach occurred on the Indiana and Illinois Southern Railroad two miles west of Oblong this afternoon. The train was running, it is said, over double the schedule time, when a rail broke, plunging five cars, including the passenger-coach, down a fifteen-foot embankment. Ford's Theater Company, billed here for this week, composed of eleven people, and two other passengers were in the coach.

The following were injured: Clint Gerard, manager, arm hurt; G. M. Adams, arm hurt and badly cut, internal injuries; Harry Faherney, comedian, head and arm cut; G. W. Jackson, foot smashed; W. D. Seagrist, hand and leg badly bruised; T. H. Hand, seriously wounded about the head.

The coach and two of the cars are a mass of ruins. None of the passengers will die.

WITH FIRE AND BULLETS.

How Officers Captured Two Desperate Fugitive Criminals.

CHECOTAH, I. T., Feb. 3.—Sheriff Lake of Pawnee County, Okla oma, and posse made an important capture of Will and John Shelly, alias Pierce, ten miles east of here, to-day. The Shelly brothers, who were held for grand larceny, broke jail at Shawnee, September 5 last. They were apprehended in a house owned by Sterling Wood, who knew of their reputation as criminals, and when ordered to surrender they opened fire, wounding two of the deputies slightly. The officers returned the fire, shooting Will Shelly through the legs. Coal oil was secured and the house was fired, after about seventy-five shots were exchanged. All hope of escape from the flames and the determined officials was gone and the bandits surrendered.

ROBBED UNCLE SAM'S MAIL.

Disgrace of an Old Employe of the Boston Postoffice.

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—Major John McDonough, assistant superintendent of the delivery department of the Boston Postoffice, was arrested yesterday, charged with stealing money and letters from the mail. He was taken before United States Commissioner Fisk and held in $1000 bonds for the United States Court. He secured bondsmen.

Major McDonough caused a sensation, as he had been a trusted employe of the Postoffice since 1864. He broke down and admitted his guilt. He would give no explanation of the cause of his action. He is 56 years of age, is a veteran of the war and a member of several societies.

GOING TO RAISE COFFEE.

Negroes Leaving the Southern States for Mexico.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 3.—A party of 300 negroes arrived over the Queen and Crescent this evening. They came in on a special train which left Birmingham last night. The negroes are the first of a large party of perhaps 10,000, who will pass through the city during the next few months en route to Mexico. The Mexican Colonization Company, having headquarters in Mexico, has secured large concessions from the Mexican Government on the Menapina River, and their negroes are being imported to raise coffee.

WILL OPEN ITS DOORS AGAIN.

What the President of the East Side Bank Says About It.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—President R. T. Manners of the East Side Bank, which closed its doors Saturday and is now in the hands of Bank Examiner Judson, said to-day that the bank's doors would be opened again sooner than the people supposed. Last evening Mr. Manners was visited at his home by several of the largest depositors of the bank who expressed confidence in the bank and declared they had no fear about their money. There is no doubt, the President says, that the depositors will be paid in full.

PREFERENCES FOR PRESIDENT.

Republican Editors Heard From in Every State and Territory.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 3.—The Commercial Gazette prints the Presidential preferences of Republican editors from every State and Territory. Vermont has a kindly feeling for Senator Redfield Proctor. Senator Chandler's New Hampshire new paper has a leaning toward Senator Frye of Maine. Utah wants silver and Senator Don Cameron. There is here and there a touch of "favorites," but the great majority line up for some of the big four—McKinley, Harrison, Reed and Allison—in the order named.

B'RITH ABRAHAM.

Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of the Order in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of B'rith Abraham opened its annual session in Tammany Hall to-day. There were 388 delegates present, chiefly from New York, Ohio, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Missouri, New Jersey and Illinois. The election of officers resulted as follows: Emanuel Nomann, New York City, grand master; Edward Cohen, New York City, deputy grand master; Max Truber, St. Louis, second grand master.

The membership of B'rith Abraham now numbers 38,600.

DENY ALL THE CHARGES.

Whisky Trust Directors Issue a Sworn Statement.

All the Acts of President Greenhut Are Said to Have Been Upheld by Stockholders.

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 3.—President Joseph D. Greenhut of the whisky trust, Benjamin D. Greenhut, his son, and John S. Stevens, the attorney for the company, left for Chicago to-night after having spent Sunday at home. President Greenhut was seen this evening and asked for a statement of his version of the recent trouble. He said the best statement he could make was the sworn affidavit of the board of directors adopted at the recent meeting in Chicago. This statement, he said, cleared away the charges of mismanagement with which he has been confronted ever since the application for a receiver was made. Up to this time he had not seen fit to make a statement as to the future and would say nothing. He was asked as to what steps he would take if ousted, but declined to say.

Samuel Woolner, the independent, denied this evening that he was in any way responsible for securing Levy Mayer, counsel, or for forming another opposition.

The sworn statement of the board of directors is addressed to Judge Grosscup and is signed by all the members of the board with the exception of President Greenhut himself. It states at the outset that Hobart, Greene, Hennessy and Greenhut have been directors since the organization of the company in 1890 and Beggs and Freihorn since 1893. The directors had chosen Greenhut president at each succeeding meeting and he has been unanimously chosen president at each of the stockholders' meetings. The business management had been in accordance with the directions of the board and it has at all times fixed prices and given directions to the president as to the management of the business.

"We further state that all charges of willful mismanagement or of wasting the assets are utterly groundless and untrue."

CAUSED BY GAS.

Two Fatal Explosions at the Riverside Furnace in Ohio.

STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, Feb. 3.—Two explosions occurred to-day at the Riverside furnace in this city, injuring a large number of workmen, several fatally. The explosions were caused by stock in the furnace settling and the accumulated gas between what was settled and what was hanging above blowing out tons of stock and bricks. The first accident was a small explosion which occurred this morning, when considerable stock was blown out and the igniting gas set fire to the clothes of Pat Timlin.

He is burned from head to foot and is not expected to live until morning. The second explosion took place this evening and was the worst, the matter blowing out, wrecking the roofs of all buildings as if they had been cannonaded. A score of men were burned or injured by flying missiles.

B'NAI B'RITH CONVENTION.

Review of Charitable Work Done by the Order.

OMAHA, Feb. 3.—Two hundred members of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith of the jurisdiction of Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Nebraska, were present in Omaha to-day, when the twenty-seventh annual convention convened at Temple Israel, Rabbi Leo M. Franklin, presiding. Routine business pertaining to the charitable institutions of the order was transacted during the day. In the evening at the temple a musical and literary entertainment to which the public was invited was given. It was followed by a reception at Metropolitan Hall to the visiting delegates.

TO CLOSE UP THE GAP.

The Gulf Road to Do Some Work of Its Own Accord.

DENVER, Feb. 3.—General Superintendent Dunaway of the Gulf road has sent instructions to Chief Engineer Bissell at Trinidad to resume construction at once on the Gulf extension, between Trinidad and Pueblo. This action was taken on information received from Receiver Trumbull, who is in New York and indicates the failure of the negotiatio ns for resumption of the trackage agreement between the Gulf and the Rio Grande. The contractors have been notified to begin work to-morrow and the gap in the line will be speedily closed up.

Reception to Mrs. Grant.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 3.—A reception was given Mrs. U. S. Grant at the Ponce de Leon Hotel last night, which was attended by several thousand people, including many visitors of the hotels here as well as the residents of the city. The soldiers of the Third Artillery, stationed at St. Francis Barracks, acted as a guard of honor. The reception was enthusiastic.

Asphyxiated by Gas.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—George Brown, a wealthy resident of Sarnia, Canada, who was visiting his daughters in this city, was found dead in bed this morning, having been asphyxiated by escaping gas, which he had failed to properly turn off.

CLOCKS, onxy tables, lamps, screens, framed pictures and easels. Largest stock and lowest prices. Sanborn, Vail & Co. *

FINANCE COMES FIRST.

Probable Legislation for the Week in Congress.

ACTION ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Alabama Elections Will Also Have an Inning.

HAWAIIAN QUESTIONS TO BE REOPENED.

President Cleveland Receives Mes ages From Merchants Who Support His Views on the Currency.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The Senate will probably devote the week largely to discussion of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill and the greater number of the speeches will be based upon the financial situation and the Senate amendment for the construction of a cable to the Hawaiian Islands, which will in all probability reopen the entire Hawaiian question. The District of Columbia bill will be disposed of Monday by agreement.

Senator Allen expects to address the Senate on Tuesday on his resolution for the investigation of the Alabama elections, and it is possible the resolution may call out other speeches. They are liable to be cut short, however, by the calling up of the diplomatic bill, with its Hawaiian amendment and the possibility of many speeches on the subject.

A contest is likely between the friends of the bankruptcy, pooling and Territorial bills for the time which may be available when the appropriation bills and the Allen resolutions are not under consideration, but this will probably depend upon whether the Democratic Steering Committee shall find itself able to agree upon a recommendation. The supporters of the bankruptcy bill are still determined that it shall hold its place, if possible, while the supporters of the pooling bill are just as eager to displace it if they find an opportunity. The probabilities are now, however, that but little, if any, time will be given to either of these bills during the week.

It is possible the Finance Committee may bring in a report on some of the financial currency bills before it on Tuesday, and if it should do so the report may have the effect of adding zest to the debate on this question. The latter half of the Saturday session will be devoted to eulogies on the late Senator Stockbridge.

The question of legislation for the relief of the treasury will be again debated in the House this week. The administration financial bill introduced in connection with the President's special measure, as amended by the Committee on Banking and Currency, will be called up on Tuesday, and, according to the present programme, will be debated Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. It is not the present intention to bring in a special order to close the debate and bring the measure to a vote when the bill is brought up, but to allow the debate to run for a day or two before bringing in the order.

To-morrow will be given to the Committee on Claims, which has been shut out by the press of business for some time. The remainder of the week will be devoted to appropriation bills, of which the legislative, naval and general deficiency are yet undisposed of.

SUPPORTED BY MERCHANTS.

An Indorsement of the President's Views on Finance.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Upon inquiry of Private Secretary Thurber at the White House it is learned that the President has received a very large number of telegrams and letters from prominent citizens, Chambers of Commerce and other trade organizations in all parts of the country, heartily indorsing the recommendations contained in his recent message to Congress and recognizing the necessity for immediate action for the preservation of the national credit and public faith.

In a series of resolutions adopted on the 31st ult. the committee on trade of the Norfolk and Portsmouth (Va.) Cotton Exchange says:

In the opinion of our merchants it is eminently desirable in the close relations we bear toward foreign countries that our standard of value should be the same as other nations of the first-class, both for the extension of commodities and for obtaining credit from older nations on easy terms when desired, and we heartily indorse the plans of the President contained in his message and express the earnest hope that Congress will reduce them to legal shape at the earliest possible moment.

From Louisville, Ky., comes a not less emphatic expression voiced through a public meeting held by the Board of Trade of that city. It was there resolved that:

With an abiding faith in the ability of the Government to meet all demands upon it we call upon the Representatives in Congress to sustain the President in his efforts to re-establish the public credit, to restore confidence to commercial circles and to fix our currency on a stable foundation; that however varied the forms of our currency there can be but one standard of value, and that, by common consent of nations, is gold; that thirty years after the close of the war the Government should begin the redemption of its promises to pay commonly called greenbacks, issued to carry on the war; that the prevailing paralysis of trade is due not to a lack of currency, but to a lack of confidence, and that confidence cannot be restored until it is formally declared by Congress that our willingness to meet all obligations is as great as our ability, and that this is inexhaustible.

The Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce urges the "immediate adoption of a law substantially embodying the recommendation made by the President in his special message."

Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce in Baltimore, Cleveland, Boston and many other cities join in substantially the same sentiments. A veteran member of the Union League Club of New York feels no hesitation in asserting he voices the sentiments of that organization when he says the President's message is strongly and heartily approved.

A Michigan State Senator says: "The public faith and honor must be maintained. Permit me to congratulate you upon your recent message to Congress."

A prominent Chicago microscopist says: "I am only one of thousands who have confidence in your courage and who are waiting and hoping you will be neither coerced nor coaxed into yielding to any financial fallacies."

These are the words of a prominent New Yorker: "If Congress fails to act I can see nothing but financial chaos in the near future, followed by suffering and disaster at home and shame abroad."

From one of Chicago's most influential citizens came these words: "I congratulate you on your message. You have cleared the issue and indicated the only right direction to pursue."

Letters and telegrams of this sort have been received at the White House literally by the hundreds and they seem to indicate the feeling of the popular pulse in every section of the land. A Detroit bank president wires the words: "Your message has a true ring and is timely, wise and fearless. I sincerely trust the better element of both parties will give prompt support."

One of Missouri's most highly honored citizens telegraphed as follows: "Hearty congratulations upon your able, timely message. The St. Louis Merchants' Exchange has most justly indorsed and memorialized Congress to enact its recommendations into law."

JERRY ON "EARTHLY PARADISE."

Congressman Simpson Delivers Addresses to the Workingmen.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 3.—The big Front-street Theater was filled this morning and evening, mainly by workingmen, assembled to hear Congressmen Simpson of Kansas tell of the "Earthly Paradise." Mr. Simpson said during his discourse:

"I do not believe in strikes. In my opinion they give no real relief to the working people. I believe that the working people when they have a grievance should watch and wait patiently until election day and right their wrongs at the ballot-box."

CAUSED BY THE SALT SEA

Two of the Olympia's Plates Must Be Replaced.

Apothecary Flannigan Attempts Suicide at Mare Island—News From the Navy-Yard.

VALLEJO, Feb. 3.—A gang of laborers have been at work all during the past week in scraping the hull of the cruiser Olympia in the drydock at the navy-yard. The starboard side was completed Friday, and painters commenced giving her a coat of red lead, which will be followed with a second coat, then by a coat of white zinc and lastly anti-fouling paint will be used.

One of the after plates near the rudder-post on the starboard side was removed Saturday afternoon, and will have to be replaced on account of its being so badly pitted. Some of the pits were half way through the plate, and had the cruiser remained in the water another six months, the holes would have been eaten entirely through the half-inch plate.

Another of the plates almost directly opposite on the port side is also eaten, but not so badly. The pitting taking place in these particular spots is said to be due to the corrosive action of the salt water when coming in contact with the propeller. To obviate this trouble in the future workmen are now engaged in putting zinc sheets on the shaft-sleeve stays to draw the corrosive action to it.

The stores are all ready to put on board as soon as the cruiser goes out of the dock. Most of the crew are now at the island, on board of the receiving-ship Independence, where the greater number will remain until after the ship leaves the dock. They will go on board each day and eat and sleep on the "guards." So far no intimation has leaked out what duty she will first be called upon to do after leaving the yard.

Thomas J. Flannigan, formerly an apothecary in the service, having been discharged from the receiving-ship Independence by reason of expiration of service, cut his throat this afternoon with a penknife, though not severely. He was about to reship Monday morning, but in a temporary aberration of mind stuck the knife into his neck on each side of his windpipe. Physicians were summoned and they sewed up the wound. He was taken at once to the Naval Hospital for treatment. He has been in the service for a great many years as an apothecary.

The monitor Monterey will be at the yard the coming week, and as soon as the Olympia goes out of the dock, which will be the latter part of the week or the first of the week following, the monitor will be taken in to be scraped and painted, that being all the work required to be done to her.

A trench is now being dug around the head of the drydock, where the inner line of piling is to be driven for holding the ties for the road-bed for the twenty-foot track, upon which the big forty-ton crane is to be run. The driving of the piles was commenced on Friday, and up to Saturday afternoon some half dozen had been driven. The piles are forty feet long, and each pile requires about 250 blows before it is driven home. There will be fully 700 piles to be driven before a sufficient foundation is completed for the track.

The remains of the late Naval Constructor S. W. Armistead were sent East Tuesday for burial at Portsmouth, Va. No one has yet been assigned to the vacancy as head of the Department of Construction and Repair. Naval Constructor W. J. Baxter is urged for the place.

From Commandant Howison to the lowest man down on the list in the yard the unjust imputation spread abroad that some person or persons had robbed the person of the late Naval Constructor Armistead of the sum of $180 is pronounced to be cruel and unjust to the reputation of all in the immediate vicinity of where the accident occurred. An officer in the navy, the commandant states, was with the constructor from the moment of his falling from the effects of the blow. Others were there, and all unite in saying that no money fell from his pockets.

Mrs. R. D. Culls has returned from an extended visit in the East.

The friends of Pay Clerk H. E. Minkler will regret to learn of the death of his wife at New Bedford on the 10th of January. Pay Clerk Minkler was at the yard as clerk to Pay Inspector George W. Beaman, general storekeeper, and is now with him on the armored cruiser New York.

Lieutenant J. N. Jordan has been detached from the Union Iron Works and ordered to the dynamite gun vessel Vesuvius, to report on the 15th inst.

Lieutenant John B. Blish has been ordered to the Mohican and the orders of Lieutenant J. L. T. Halpin to the Mohican have been revoked.

Mrs. Captain H. L. Howison, wife of the commandant of the yard and station, will give a delightful afternoon tea during the coming week, at their residence on the island.

King Alexander Proposes.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Vienna says that King Alex nder of Servia has proposed marriage to Princess Syblle of Hesse. The Princess' parents promised to consider the proposition two years hence, provided Alexander is then a King.

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KOHLER'S INSURANCE.

It Is Paid by the Equitable Society.

FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Manager Ripley Hands a Big Check to the Heirs.

THEY WERE AGREEABLY SURPRISED.

It Was Evident That the Company Gave No Attention to the Story of the Merchant's Suicide.

The death of Charles Kohler, the prominent wine merchant, on New Year's night made no small stir in business circles, for few men were better known among the vine-growers and winemakers of California.

Kohler died at Dr. Loryea's bath on Sutter street from an overdose of morphine taken, according to some, with suicidal intent. Others said that he had been suffering for months with insomnia, and that by taking an unusually large quantity of the drug he had hoped to obtain relief.

The coroner's jury found that Kohler's death was accidental, and a report was at once spread broadcast to the effect that the jurors had been improperly influenced. It was even said that the Grand Jury proposed to investigate the case and learn whether or not money had been used to procure a verdict at variance with the facts.

The authors of these rumors gave them a coloring of probability by pointing to the fact that Kohler was heavily insured. It is well known that some life insurance companies stipulate with their policyholders that no money will be paid in case of suicide. Kohler was insured for $150,000 and it was hinted that the verdict of accidental death was the result of the machinations of his heirs who feared that the amount of the policy would not be paid if a verdict of suicide was rendered.

What the effect of these hints and rumors may have been in some quarters is not known. but Mr. Kohler's heirs have an excellent reason for knowing that they had no effect upon the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

The deceased wine merchant was insured in the Equitable for $50,000 and the society sent Mr. Kohler's executor a check for that amount on Saturday. With it went the following self-explanatory letter:

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.
GEORGE H. RIPLEY, GENERAL MANAGER,
EDWIN CRAMER, CASHIER.
CROCKER BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,
February 2, 1895.

Messrs. Kohler & Frohling, San Francisco, Cal.—GENTLEMEN: It gives me pleasure to inform you that the proofs of the death of the late Charles Kohler, insured with the Equitable Life Assurance Society under policy 473,471 in the sum of $50,000, were received at the home office of said society this morning, and that I have been duly authorized by wire to settle this claim with you as beneficiaries under said policy.

I accordingly hand you herewith a check for $50,000, and beg that you will return acknowledgment of same.

I am all the more pleased to be able to do this thus promptly from the fact that the newspapers, commenting upon the matter, were, as you know, somewhat pessimistic as to the probable action of the insurance companies. The Equitable at least is, as you see, not only able to meet its obligations, but has, also, a disposition to keep its contracts and settle without contention any and all just claims. Very truly yours,

GEORGE H. RIPLEY, General Manager.

Hans H. Kohler, executor of Charles Kohler's estate, received the check and wrote the following graceful acknowledgment:

SAN FRANCISCO, February 2, 1895.

George H. Ripley, Esq., General Manager Equitable Life Assurance Society, San Francisco, Cal.—DEAR SIR: We beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of even date, inclosing check No. 3490 on the Crocker-Woolworth National Bank of San Francisco for fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, in settlement of the claim under policy No. 473,471, insuring the life of the late Charles Kohler.

It gives me great pleasure in making this acknowledgment to commend without reserve the promptness and courtesy with which the society you represent has treated this matter, and the fact that you were duly authorized by them, practically a few moments after receipt of said proofs in New York, to settle this claim, only shows that no one can question the broad, honorable, business-like methods with which the Equitable does its business and in which we, in common with many others, always had confidence.

This evidence should put at rest any and all who, from one motive or another, would be captious and critical concerning the great company which you represent.

Again thanking you for your courteous and prompt treatment of this claim, we remain, yours thankfully, HANS H. KOHLER
Of Kohler & Frohling.

The honorable course of the Equitable Life Assurance Society in this city is universally commended. The promptness with which it settled its account with Mr. Kohler's famity and the fact that it made no effort to evade the payment of such a large amount, nor compelled the beneficiaries to enter into a wearing legal contest, has produced a most favorable effect upon the minds of many who, from distressing experience with other insurance companies, had expected something wholly different.

The relatives and friends of the deceased were most agreeably surprised when they learned of the secretary's action. They had heard the stories that were told about the unfortunate man's death—how he had once tried to kill himself and how he had declared that he would not bear the burden of life much longer, and they prepared for legislation.

It was the usual thing they were told. No insurance society would pay the amount of a policy if it could legally, if not morally, avoid payment. The Equitable taught them that it believes in dealing fairly and honorably with its patrons. The big check on the Crocker-Woolworth bank was proof of the society's uprightness.

The courteous and generous treatment they have received from the society has convinced the bereaved family that there is one corporation which cannot be called heartless.

George. H. Ripley, the general manager of the Equitable Life Assurance Society in this city, made a lasting friend of the Kohlers by the unwavering kindness and courtesy with which he treated them while conducting his investigation of their relative's death. He is popular among business men here and the course pursued by his company in the Kohler case will by no means lessen the esteem in which he is held.

CHRISTIANS AND SAINTS.

Rev. W. H. Moreland Tells What Christ's Disciples Should Do.

Rev. William H. Moreland preached at St. Luke's yesterday on the saintly life.

He said: "The New Testament word for Christian is saint. Only three times are Christ's disciples called Christians. The usual word is saint, showing that the Christian is called to holiness of life. What does saint mean? It is a title so misunderstood that people do not covet it. To be a saint is to be like Jesus Christ.

"Christ was the one perfectly rounded and complete character. Men are fragmentary. If you smash the figure of Christ in that painted window over the altar all the pieces will have some tint or color. Put them all together and you have the perfect figure. It will take all the saints in earth and heaven to reflect the glory and beauty of the sacred humanity of Jesus. He has lived through the whole life of every man. He illustrates all vocations. This is the unique glory of Christ as men. that he lived the universal life.

"So the saint is living the large, the common life of humanity. St. Francis and St. Benedict lived in the open. Everybody claimed them. Are you using your life for the common good? This is the first mark of the saintly character.

"Another mark is the entire dependence on God. The saint has no trust in himself. All his goodness is from God. Bunyan said when the drunkard passed him, 'There goes John Bunyan without the grace of God.' The moment you hold yourself aloof, pride yourself on your goodness, and think you are better than others, you fail to be a saint. When you look at the ragged sort, or see the prostitute on the street, you should say: 'I should be the same without God.' This must fill you with intense sympathy. So the true saint has always had an enthusiasm for humanity."

OLYMPIC CLUB RUNNERS.

A Jaunt to San Mateo by Way of Crystal Springs.

The members of the Olympic Club who enjoy cross-country running were out to the number of fifty yesterday and had an enjoyable jaunt from Milbrae to San Matao, returning by way of Crystal Springs and San Andreas. The perfect weather added much to the pleasures of the day.

Superintendent Kennedy being in poor condition for such an extended trip attempted to take a short cut to catch up with the main body of runners and lost his way. A relief party was sent back in search of him but failed in their quest and he finished some time behind the rest.

W. M. Hunter finished first, J. W. Morton second and C. M. Yates Jr. third. Among those who participated were: W. M. Hunter, J. W. Morton, C. M. Yates Jr., B. H. Coffin, J. F. Magee, Roy Barney, J. S. Baker, H. Justins, H. F. Coffin, C. Cathcart, W. Pike, J. W. Gibb, C. F. O'Niel, I. J. Onyon, W. J. Kennedy, J. Flynn, Taylor brothers, F. Phillips, J. P. Mayer, F. W. Ginett, G. J. Petty, F. Carter, J. F. Cunningham, T. Mulvey. J. W. Coffreth, J. H. Harvor, J. F. McCarty, L. W. Hanselman, W. B. Hunt, F. M. Cosgrove, F. Butz, D. L. McLeod, J. Johnson, Clyde Westover, J. H. Boyle, E. F. Dirking, A. G. Hewitt, T. J. Stanton, Nerz brothers, G. F. Heuer, J. H. Ballou, O. W. Davis, Frank Gilbert.

HE WIRED TO WILHELM.

Major Brunson Still Hopes That His Son Is Alive.

The German Emperor Asked for Information Concerning the Baroness Von Barnekow and Husband.

There is nothing new concerning the fate of Captain John M. Brunson and his wife, the Baroness von Barnekow, who it would appear from the dispatch received from the American Legation at Berlin, were passengers on the steamer Elbe, that foundered at sea.

Major Martin Brunson is still hopeful that his son and daughter-in-law were not on the steamer. But to make sure, he has taken advantage of the public offer of Emperor William of Germany to furnish all information obtainable about those who were on board the Elbe, and wired to Wilhelm yesterday: "Please find out all about John M. Brunson and Baroness von Barnekow."

"I expected an answer by 10 o'clock to-night," said Major Bronson shortly before 12 o'clock last night, "but none has come. Probably no answer could be sent owing to the fact that it is Sunday and that no information can be obtained. The dispatch sent by Paul Goldsmith to Mr. Robinson, stepfather of my son's wife, to the effect that he could not learn anything about Brunson being on the Elbe. is a hopeful one. It leads me to believe that he knows something about my son. They were friends here, and in New York he was very attentive to my boy.

"I feel," continued Major Brunson, "that my boy is on the steamer Prussia, which left Bremerhaven either the day before or the day after the Elbe, and that he is now on his way to New York. Until I hear from that vessel I shall not give up hope."

AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

Warde aud James in "Julius Cæsar" at the Baldwin.

The Baldwin reopens to-night with the Warde-James Company in Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar," Mr. Warde as Caius Cassius, Mr. Louis James as Brutus and Mr. Guy Lyndesey as Mark Antony. The sale is large.

Herrmann has three new illusions for his third and last week at the California, the principal one being "The Escape From Sing Sing." His engagement, so far, has been enormously profitable.

Maude Granger begins her second week at Morosco's Grand Opera-house with her own play, "Inherited," adapted from the French of "L'Heritage d'Helene." This lady is the first profitable Eastern star who has been engaged at the Grand. Her engagement is marked by large theater parties of fashionables every evening.

The anniversary of Horace Greeley's birthday caused a gala attendance at the Stockwell. The tableaux are a great success. To-night will be devoted to "The Private Secretary," always an attraction.

At the Alcazar, "The American Girl," which is drawing strongly, will be continued for another week. The people in the cast are doing their work well, encouraged as they are by public confidence and support.

Those who attend the Orpheum Music Hall this evening will enjoy the novelty of hearing Hilda Thomas sing Carey's fine old song, "Sally in Our Alley." Miss Thomas is a soprano, and the first lady who has attempted this air, which is usually undertaken by a tenor. Besides this there is a world of attractions on the programme.

"Paola," a vendetta opera by Jakobowski, with the scenes laid in the island of Corsica, will be the attraction at the Tivoli this evening. "His Majesty," to which the last week was devoted, will, we understand, pay the composer, H. J. Stewart, and the librettist, Peter Robertson, a handsome sum in royalties.

George Kennan, lecturer and traveler in Russian Siberia, will deliver the first lecture of his series to-night at Golden Gate Hall. Subject, "Mountains and Mountaineers of the Caucasus."

IMPERIAL ROAD RACE.

Good Time Made by the Many Contestants.

FRANK BYRNE THE WINNER.

A Large Audience Saw the Finish of the Run.

SEVERAL RACERS WERE INJURED.

Acme Club Men Will Try for a Record on the 22d Inst.—Central Park Ready for Use.

What promises to be the most active year ever known in wheeling circles was opened yesterday afternoon, the occasion being a five-mile handicap road race, run by the members of the Imperial Cycling Club from High street, Fruitvale, to a point on the Haywards road, some 300 yards beyond San Leandro.

Considering the severe storms of the past two months the course was in fair condition, there being a narrow but rideable strip of road all the way. Near the electric-road power-house a section of about 200 yards of freshly graveled road tended to make that portion of the journey very unpleasant. A strong wind from the northeast also militated against record-breaking, but in spite of these drawbacks the time made by the racers was very satisfactory.

Promptly at 1 o'clock Starter Howe sent the three men who had the extreme time limit, two minutes, on their journey, and the twelve other starters followed them in rapid succession at intervals of fifteen seconds. N. Hurst, one of the scratch men, collided with E. Barley and did not finish. Barley was badly cut and bruised, but stayed with the race to the finish, exhibiting considerable pluck. A. L. Holling also met with an accident, having his wheel wrecked in a collision with an inexperienced rider.

The following is a list of the contestants with the positions in which they finished:

CONTESTANTS.	Finish	Handicap	Actual time.
P. Metcalf.....	1	1½ min.	15 m. 40 2-5s
A. L. Holling...	2	1½ min.	16 m. 3-5s
W. C. Howe....	3	1¼ min.	15 m. 59 3-5s
F. M. Byrne....	4	Scratch	14 m. 52 4-5s
J. Jacgeling.....	5	45 sec.	15 m. 41s
J. S. Egan.....	6	1½ min.	16 m. 29s
C. W. Conger....	7	45 sec.	15 m. 45s
G. Panario.....	8	1¼ min.	16 m. 42s
J. Catanich.....	9	1½ min.	16 m. 49s
Nels Olsen.....	10	2 min.	17 m. 39s
J. R. Callahan..	11	2 min.	17 m. 40s
G. Radke.....	12	2 min.	17 m. 40 2-5s
L. C. Edwards..	13	45 sec.	17 m. 11s
E. Barley.....	14	30 sec.	19 m. 24s
W. Hurst.....	*		

*Collided with E. Barley and did not finish.

The handicapping was done by Edwin W. Adams and gave general satisfaction. A large crowd of wheelmen and many people interested in the event, gathered at San Leandro to see the finish, which was quite exciting.

Frank Byrne, who won time prize, gets a handsome gold medal offered by the club, while P. Metcalf, who won first place, now holds a first mortgage on an elegant silver pitcher, which must be won three times by any one man, however, before it becomes his personal property. The other prizes for place have not yet been announced.

The following were the officials of the race: Referee, Edwin W. Adams; starter, W. D. Howe; clerk, Mr. Eisert; timers, W. Wilson, W. L. Elliott, F. J. Williams, Mr. Millett and Alex S. Ireland; chief umpire, F. Tommereg; scorers—J. G. North, P. H. Douglass, T. Egan, Martin Berendt and M. Macdonald; judges—E. C. Douglass, J. F. Burns and J. S. Conwell.

It may be noted as a peculiar feature, and an evidence that the handicapper was well acquainted with the abilities of the men, that the three limit men finished within one second of each other.

The Reliance Wheelmen of Oakland took a spin to San Leandro yesterday to witness the finish of the Imperial Club's roadrace. C. C. Harbottle, who is one of Champion Ziegler's team-mates, has decided to join the Oakland club.

The Acme Club Wheelmen of Oakland also rode out to the finish of the race, and Captain Kitchen lead a scorch home, just to keep his men in condition for the annual 25-mile race on the 22d inst.

Messrs. Rosburg, Nutter, Davis, Goddard, Ready, Kanzee and the Hancock brothers of the Bay City Wheelmen were over on the triangle yesterday. The Hancocks rode to San Jose in the afternoon.

The California Cycling Club held a run to Haywards yesterday, which was well attended, while the Olympic Club Wheelmen got out their old "ordinaries," and rode to the park. The roadrace kept all but five of the "has beens" from the run.

The track at Central Park will be ready for use to-day. It will be necessary for club members desiring to train on it to secure tickets from the secretaries of their organizations.

The coast five-mile road record is in great danger, for the Acme Wheelmen of Oakland are after it next Sunday, on the course from San Leandro to Haywards. Captain Kitchen will do the handicapping, and the entries will be published next Thursday. This will be an exciting race, and all the wheelmen hereabouts will go over to witness it.

ROSPECTORS FROZEN TO DEATH.

Many Succumb to the Cold Weather of Minnesota.

DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 3.—Several reports have been received in Duluth during the winter of prospectors in the Rainy Lake and Seine River gold country being frozen to death. A man by the name of McLain was picked up within two miles of Rainy Lake City on New Year's day frozen stiff after he had walked only one mile. The thermometer was 42 degrees below zero.

To-day D. A. Melrose, who owns a great deal of valuable gold property in the Rainy Lake district, received a letter from James Cummings stating that of a party of nine prospectors who were about 100 miles from Rainy Lake City and about fifty miles from Fort Francis on New Year's day he was the only survivor. Cummings states that it fell to 46 below zero on New Year's day and that all of the party sank from exhaustion from the effects of the cold.

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