LI HUNG CHANG IS THE CHAMPION.

RIDDEN BY MR. SIMPKINS, HE BEAT THE FAVORITE, CONEJO, IN A DRIVE.

SOCIETY WAS AT THE RACES.

THE PONY STEEPLECHASE WAS THE GREAT FEATURE OF THE DAY'S CARD.

If yesterday's attendance at the track is any criterion pony steeplechasing is evidently a popular sport and more of them will undoubtedly be given in future. The clubhouse balcony was crowded with fair members of the four hundred and many prominent figures in society of the male persuasion were seen around the betting-ring during the booking on the steeplechase. On the inner field drags with their liveried footmen and four-in-hands were in profusion. The feature that drew the large sprinkling of the upper crust of society was a run for polo ponies ridden by gentlemen riders over the short steeplechase course with four hurdles. The entries, with their riders, were: Galloping Dick, Mr. Tobin; Conejo, Mr. Rider; Li Hung Chang, Mr. Simpkins; Gossoon, Lieutenant Smedberg; Maud, Mr. Neave; Aladin, Mr. Benson; the thoroughbred mare Ysabel, ridden by Mr. Wainwright, carrying 179 pounds, and the gray pony Punch, owned by J. Talbot Clifton, with the professional steeplechase rider Andy Blakelev in the saddle.

Of course the pencilers were at a loss to know which to mark up favorite, this being one case where the knowledge of the early railbird stood them in no stead, and in the first betting it was 4 to 1 and take your pick. Very soon, however, society money gave an inkling that Mr. Rider's mount, the Santa Monica crackerjack Conejo, was the "weal good thing, doncher know," and he went to the post a favorite. Mr. Tobin's well-known horsemanship was instrumental in sending a small barrel of coin on his pony Galloping Dick, a 4 to 1 chance. Harry Simpkins did not like to appear conceited, but on the quiet he told his friends he had a "lay down" with the celestial Li Hung Chang, and he remained a firm 4 to 1 shot in the ring. Lieutenant Smedberg did not make his appearance with his usual dash and vigor and the boys said Gossoon was a "mackerel."

Mr. Wainwright, an ex-English army officer and a horseman par-excellence, who had the mount on Ysabel, was a 6 to 1 chance in the betting, but quit with disaster in the race. J. Talbot Clifton did not fancy Punch's chance very highly, the pony having lately come off pasture. Aladin was an 8 to 1 chance.

The race will be the principal topic of conversation, no doubt, in the Burlingame Club's smoking-room for some time to come, "and if Rider had only" will be swimming in every curl of smoke. Like all of the other races on the card it was a dump, the favorite getting beaten.

Starter Ferguson sent them off to a good start. Passing the stand and over the first jump Aladin, Li Hung Chang and Conejo showed the way. Aladin shortly after dropped back and Mr. Simpkins opened up a big gap in front of Conejo with Li Hung Chang. Riding a waiting race on Conejo, Mr. Rider took him back down the back stretch hill and was fourth over the second jump, Li Hung Chang leading, followed by Aladin and Gossoon, the field strung out.

Full of run Li Hung Chang took the last jump in front, followed by Aladin, on which Mr. Benson rode an excellent race, and the favorite. In going over this jump Ysabel made a mistake, throwing Mr. Wainwright, who escaped without injury. Li Hung Chang hit the flat in front, but Conejo came with a rush and the favorite backers were in high glee, when Li Hung suddenly swerved in, cutting Conejo off badly, and before Mr. Rider could get straightened out the wire was passed and Li Hung Chang was winner of the race by a length and a half. Mr. Simpkins was roundly cheered on his return to the stand for his excellent ride. Thirty yards from the wire he lost his saddle-pad, and, it was said, some weight, but his valet-pro-tem. jockey, Felix Carr, experienced in that line, saw that Mr. Simpkins weighed in all right. Mr. Tobin was a good third on Galloping Dick.

It was rather a rough day for the talent. The best thing of the day was Wawona, winner of the fourth race with 15 to 1 against him, played by By Holly and a few others.

A poorer lot of horses have yet to face the flag than the lot that lined up for the opening race at six furlongs. One number of the speculative fraternity very appropriately named the race the Goat Island Derby. Wyanashott, opening at 9 to 5, was backed down to evens. The bulk of the other money was played in on Bliss and Lodi.

Joe Winters, an 8 to 1 chance, took the lead shortly after the flag fell, and making all the running, followed by Bliss, struck the stretch to all appearances a winner. Cochrane, however, persevered with Bliss, and collaring Bliss fifty yards from the wire beat him out a neck in a drive. Mero finished third.

Abi P, the third choice for the second race, a selling affair, at the same distance as the race preceding, downed both of the favorites, Hy Dy and Quarterstaff. At post time it was 11 to 5 and take your pick on the latter two. Huntsman, Carmel and Johnny Payne started at lengthy odds.

Huntsman started out to make the running when the flag fell, but was soon passed by Quarterstaff, who led him half a length at the foot of the first hill, Carmel in third position. Quarterstaff held his advantage to the foot of the stretch hill, with Abi P, who had run up, crowding him close. Ascending the hill Abi P gained a length, and although Griffin strove hard to regain lost ground with Quarterstaff he was beaten out a long neck.

The fourth race, at a mile, light welter-weights, ended in a grand upset, Wawona, splendidly ridden by "Major" Covington, winning handily with 15 to 1 against him.

Miss Buckley was thought to have a mortgage on the race, and was sent to the post an even-money favorite. Barney Schrieber's old timer Hoodlum was the second choice, with 7 to 5 against, a point or so lower than his opening price. The other starters were all on the outside order in the betting.

Three Forks made the running to the far turn hill, when Miss Buckley and Wawona both passed him, the former leading slightly as they reached the stretch hill. Here Wawona went to the fore and won handily by two lengths. Hoodlum finishing very strong also passed the favorite on the flat, beating her three lengths for second place.

The favorites were evidently doomed, for another one was bowled over in the last race on the card at the popular distance, six furlongs. On February 7 Arundel defeated imp. Grand Lady, but once more was the imported mare made favorite, going to the post 11 to 10, having receded a point in the betting. Arundel, with Griffin up, was second choice at 4 to 1, at which figure San Lucas was also quoted, having been backed down from 12 to 1. The other starters, with the possible exception of the Duchess of Milpitas, received very slight consideration from the talent.

San Lucas was sent away in front, and, followed by Arundel and Grand Lady, cut out the pace to the stretch hill, where he died away. Arundel here took command and staving off the Australian mare's challenge won by half a length. Terra Nova made a great run from the rear, securing third place.

SUMMARY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 14, 1895.

472. FIRST RACE—Six furlongs; three-year-olds and upward; purse $300.

Ind.	Horse, weight, jockey	St.	½	Str.	Fin.
462	Bliss, 94 (E. Cochrane)	2	2ᵈ	1½	1h
440	Joe Winters, 99 (R. Isom)	5	1³	2ᵈ	2¼
465	Mero, 106 (W. Flynn)	8	8	3h	3¾
441	Wyanashott, 104 (Hinrichs)	3	6½	5ᵈ	4ᵈ
148	Lodi, 104 (Bergen)	1	3h	4¹	5ᵈ
441	Tyrena, 88 (Wilson)	7	7¹	7Ḹ	6¹⁰
406	Monroe, 106 (G. Smith)	4	4ᵈ	6Ḹ	7Ḹ
272	Dr. Livingston, 111 (Hennessy)	6	5³	8	8

Fair start. Won driving. Time, 1:27½. Winner, chestnut mare, by Shannon-imp. Castaway.

Betting: Bliss 4 to 1, Joe Winters 8 to 1, Mero 8 to 1, Wyanashott 7 to 5, Lodi 5 to 1, Tyrena 30 to 1, Monroe 100 to 1, Dr. Livingston 30 to 1.

473. SECOND RACE—Six furlongs; selling; purse $400.

Ind.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	½	Str.	Fin.
427	Abi P, 97 (R. Isom)	5	5³	1l	1h
438	Quarterstaff, 99 (Griffin)	3	1h	2ᵈ	2ᵉ
466	Carmel, 103 (Russell)	4	3l	3h	3³
443	Huntsman, 101 (Hinrichs)	1	2h	4l	4¹⁰
464	Johnny Payne, 105 (Bergen)	6	4l	5¼	5l
433	Hy Dy, 91 (Riley)	2	6	6	6

Good start. Won driving. Time, 1:20¼. Winner, ch. m., by Three Cheers-Dairy Maid.

Betting: Abi P 3 to 1, Quarterstaff 11 to 5, Carmel 20 to 1, Huntsman 6 to 1, Johnny Payne 12 to 1, Hy Dy 11 to 5.

474. THIRD RACE—Extreme short course, about one mile; the Polo Steeplechase; polo ponies.

Ind.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	4th	½.	Str.	Fin.
121	Li Hung Chang, 160 (Mr. Simpkins)	3	1ᵉ		1½	1¼
	Conejo, 160 (Mr. Rider)	4	3l		2ᵈ	2ᵈ
(121)	Galloping Dick, 160 (Mr. Tobin)	1	5ᵈ		3¹⁰	3²⁰
	Maud, 153 (Mr. Farnsworth)	8	7³		5l	4ᵈ
	Aladin, 146 (Mr. Benson)	5	2ᵈ		4¹⁰	5¹⁰
121	Gossoon, 162 (Mr. Smedberg)	6	6³		6³	6ᵉ
121	Punch, 160 (Blakeley)	2	8		7	7
	Ysabel, 179 (Mr. Wainright)	7	4l		pulled up	

Good start. Won driving. Time, 2:19.

Betting: Li Hung Chang 4 to 1, Conejo 3 to 1, Galloping Dick 4 to 1, Maud 12 to 1, Aladin 10 to 1, Gossoon 8 to 1, Punch 10 to 1, Ysabel 8 to 1.

475. FOURTH RACE—One mile, selling; light welter-weights; purse $400.

Ind.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	½	Str.	Fin.
448	Wawona, 120 (A. Covington)	6	2h	2l	1ᵉ
(464)	Hoodlum, 132 (F. Carr)	1	7	3½	2¼
458	Miss Buckley, 103 (R. Isom)	2	4l	1½	3³
468	Little Bob, 105 (W. Flynn)	3	3l	5l	4ᵈ
465	Three Forks, 120 (W. Clancy)	4	1½	4³	5⁵
434	Gold Dust, 125 (Hinrichs)	7	5³	6¹⁰	6ᵈ²
462	Emma Mc, 118 (Burlingame)	5	6¹	7	7

Good start. Won handily. Time, 1:58½. Winner, ch. g., by imp. Sir Modred-Typhoon.

Betting: Wawona 15 to 1, Hoodlum 7 to 5, Miss Buckley 6 to 5, Little Bob 15 to 1, Three Forks 15 to 1, Gold Dust 30 to 1, Emma Mc 40 to 1.

476. FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs; purse $400.

Ind.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	½	Str.	Fin.
445	Arundel, 101 (Griffin)	3	2ᵈ	1h	1½
466	Imp. Grand Lady, 96 (W. Flynn)	7	3½	2ᵈ	2³
446	Terra Nova, 86 (Riley)	8	8	4³	3ᵈ
463	San Lucas, 98 (Sloan)	1	1h	3l	4h
445	Duchess of Milpitas, 86 (R. Isom)	4	5l	5½	5³
467	Norblieh, 85 (E. Cochrane)	5	7³	6h	6l
463	Idaho Chief, 104 (N. Hill)	2	4ᵈ	8	7³
356	My Charm, 86 (Frawley)	6	6h	7l	8

Poor start. Won driving. Time, 1:24¼. Winner, ch. h., by Duke of Norfolk-Elaine.

Betting: Arundel 9 to 2, imp. Grand Lady 11 to 10, Terra Nova 30 to 1, San Lucas 5 to 1, Duchess of Milpitas 8 to 1, Norblieh 15 to 1, Idaho Chief 60 to 1, My Charm 60 to 1.

Following are the entries for to-day:

First race, five-eighths of a mile, selling—Snowblossom 71, Sir Reginald 97, Repeater 103, Catch 'Em 96, Flagstaff 84, Jennie Deane 94, Vulcan 103, Charles Quick 88, Motto 98.

Second race, half a mile, two-year-olds—Lady Bountiful 115, William Pinkerton 115, Don Carrilo 115, Rey el Bandidos 118, Josephine 115, Derochment colt 118, Sister to Ruth Ryan gelding 115, Wawona filly 115.

Third race, seven-eighths of a mile—Warrago 94, Experiment gelding 84, Miss Ruth 92, True Briton 102, Monita 101, Flashlight 97, Olivia 82, Arundel 84.

Fourth race, three-quarters of a mile, selling—Talbot Clifton 100, Sir Richard 102, Carmel 103, Braw Scot 107, North 99, Empress of Norfolk 102, Ike L 87.

Fifth race, five-eighths of a mile, selling—For horses that have started and not won at this meeting; winner to be sold at auction for $600; if for less two pounds allowed for each $50 to $100. Entries close at 8:30 A. M.

SPITZER COLLECTION.

A Gift to the Mark Hopkins Institute of Art From E. F. Searles.

"The only thing new at the Mark Hopkins Institute of Art," said Secretary Martin of the San Francisco Art Association yesterday, "is a handsome present that has just been received from Edward F. Searles, and the secretary took from a case two large beautifully bound books, each of which has on the title-page: "La Collection Spitzer, Antique, Moyen—Age—Renaissance."

The two volumes are the world-renowned Spitzer collection, which all art experts say is the most complete that has ever been placed within the covers of books. They will prove of great value to the students at the art school, for they contain some of the choicest views of work of the old school, some of the subjects dating back to the sixth century. The two volumes contain pictures of art gems in ivory, of elegant carvings, medallions, reproductions in miniature of the grand figures that ornamented the draperies in the fourteenth century, beautiful illustrations of the illuminated manuscripts that were in vogue in the sixteenth century, copies of jewels of the middle ages, decorations in woodwork and many other treasures of like character.

LITTLE PROOF OF FRAUD.

Eight Precincts in the School Board Recount Finished and No Big Changes.

Director Carew Loses Thirteen Votes During the Day—The Others Vary but Little.

The recount for the positions of Carew and Barrett in the school board continued through eight precincts yesterday without very much affecting the result. The greatest change noticed during the day was in Carew's vote in the Fourth Precinct of the Twenty-eighth District. He lost thirteen votes, his figures dropping from 80 to 67.

Very few of the ballots have been objected to, there being only four or five in the eight precincts counted. One of these was thrown out because there were thirteen School Directors voted for, and the other because it was evident one of the crosses was put in after the others—it was by a different stamp, and appeared to be in different ink.

The recount has now progressed as far as the Eleventh Precinct of the Twenty-eighth District, and as yet no big frauds have been unearthed, unless the vote of Carew in the Fourth Precinct could be so called. For the day the figures were as follows: Ames lost 6, gained 5; Barrett lost 5, gained 5; Carew lost 17, gained 4; Hawley lost 6, gained 2; Henderson lost 3, gained 11; Maxwell lost 1, gained 4; McElroy lost 12, gained 2; Murdock lost 4, gained 3; Scott lost 7, gained 5; Symmes lost 3, gained 6.

JAMES CARROLL'S LEGACIES.

Archbishop Riordan Asks That They Be Given Him.

Archbishop Riordan has petitioned the Probate Court to distribute to him the legacies left in trust for various charities by James Carroll, who died on June 16, 1894. The legacies are: $2500 each to the St. Francis Technical School, the Magdalen Asylum, the St. Joseph's Home, the Sisters of the Holy Family Day Home, $10,000 to the St. Vincent Orphan Asylum and $5000 for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The estate is but little indebted, the petition sets forth, and the legacies may be paid now without loss to any person interested. The estate is valued at $147,000.

COMMODORE GUTTE.

He Still Heads the San Francisco Yacht Club.

The annual election of the San Francisco Yacht Club last evening resulted as follows: Isador Gutte, commodore; Dr. V. L. Buckley, vice-commodore; C. C. Bruce, fleet captain; H. H. Jenness, secretary; E. C. Bartlett, financial secretary; James Bonnell, treasurer; Matthew Turner, measurer. These officers also constitute the board of directors.

AMONG PACIFIC COAST MINES.

IMPORTANT WORK OF THE MEN WHO ARE DELVING FOR PRECIOUS METALS.

RICH STRIKES REPORTED.

FROM SAN BERNARDINO TO OREGON PROSPECTORS ARE RUSHING TO THE NEW DIGGINGS.

The people of this State are recognizing more completely than for many years the value of the gold-mining possibilities of California, and are making more investments. At the same time many people from neighboring States and from the East are putting money into our gold mines, and California is at last getting what it has long desired—capital for mining investment. In this connection the following from the Auburn Herald is timely: The reader every day hears some one give utterance to the expression: "South Africa is the place to go; there are so many rich mines there." The truth is, there are very few rich mines in South Africa, and it is a very expensive business working those that are there. But there are plenty of good mines in California—quartz, gravel and placer. Mining capitalists could do no better than invest in Placer, El Dorado and Nevada county mines. There are hundreds of claims which could be worked successfully if first properly prospected and then opened up and developed systematically. Nevada County has hundreds of acres of rich hydraulic claims, besides many rich quartz mines which have been shown to be as good as the best. El Dorado has what is probably just now the best-paying quartz mine in the world. We refer to the Taylor mine, just across the American River from Auburn. Placer County boasts of the richest gravel mines and has many good quartz and hydraulic claims. There is plenty of gold yet in California—estimated at more than $1,000,000,000—and it can be taken out more cheaply than at any other place in the world.

Shasta County.

The following notes are from the Redding Free Press:

The Gladstone people at French Gulch are putting in new mortars in their mill. Lowdon's mill runs steadily. Conant's Wheeler mine is liable to commence operations soon, as the lawsuits are in a fair way to settlement.

At Whiskytown Gray & Woodward made a valuable discovery of six feet of 40 per cent copper ore, running high in gold.

The seam diggings worked by Hartman on Mad Ox Gulch are paying handsomely.

The new management at Iron Mountain propose running the mill steadily. Surveys are being made for the tramway, water rights, etc. The manager says it will be two or three months before work will be commenced on the tramway.

At Squaw Creek the snow is fast disappearing.

The Windy Camp mines have four men at work.

Jack Stowell's seven claims rest quietly under fifteen feet of snow, His cabin is out of sight.

Fostir & Graham, at Flat Creek, have got a lease on the Minnesota mill and will bid the Huntington mill good by.

Bullard & Vandeveer had an expert examining their mine Wednesday.

Some of Mr. Shannon's partners from San Francisco were looking over the Flat Creek mine and mill this week. A dose of lawsuits will be the outcome.

Dave Percenti milled ten tons of rock which yielded $17 per ton.

Bob Small struck some fine gold ore near Spring Creek last week.

The vice-president of the Quartz Hill mine arrived from Chicago on Wednesday and will try to heal the differences existing between Mr. Maryanski and the president of the company. The mill is running night and day and shipping.

Dan McCarthy of Copley has struck a good claim near Quartz Hill, and will have Hugh McDonnell examine and report upon it Saturday. A deal is on hand.

W. P. Miller is running his ten-stamp mill at Middle Creek, and after crushing 150 tons will commence crushing a 500-ton lot for James Sallec.

The Shearer purchasers contemplate putting in a dry kiln next week, preparatory to dry crushing.

The new concentrator men at the Gem mine pulled up and left last week, declaring that there was no ore to concentrate in the county.

Muletown will see Charles Jones' new mill in operation this week.

John Doeblin's hydraulic mine has been making money for the past month. Plenty of water means plenty of gold.

F. E. Brightman, manager of the Gladstone mine, was here yesterday. The first clean-up under his management is entirely satisfactory and Mr. Brightman feels very much encouraged. He is prosecuting development work and opening up some fine ore bodies. He says that there will be ore in the Gladstone when this generation passes away.

The Redding Free Press is quite jubilant over the recent sale of the Iron Mountain mine to English capitalists because they contemplate mining on an extensive scale, and the production of those metals not before produced in Shasta County, by the erection of large plants and the employment of many laborers and skilled mechanics. When in operation it becomes at once an accumulative force, drawing by the magnetic influence of industry other enterprises, and making one town in the county the center for a prosperous and populous territory, which will result ultimately in becoming a terminal point. The prospects for river navigation are thereby advanced and additional railroad facilities secured.

The people of Redding and Shasta County feel much encouraged; a feeling of prosperity is in ths air—all on account of this sale. Mining men who understand the nature of the Iron Mountain deposit hope and predict great results.

There are now sixty men at work on the Altoona quicksilver mine. In one of the shafts they recently struck sulphur gas, and the men could not work for four weeks. The mine is looking up finely and lots of good ore is being taken out.

San Bernardino County.

F. C. Robie came in from the new strike last Thursday night, says Booth's Bazoo, and gives a most glowing description of what he saw. The new "diggings" are three miles west of the Ibex mine and were discovered two or three weeks ago, but everything in connection with them has been kept quiet until now. Mr. Robie says that the croppings themselves were taken to the mill and worked up, from which were realized $12 per ton. From three prospect holes now being worked they are taking out ore at the depth of fifteen feet which runs $60. Ore is being hauled to the Ibex stampmill, and the mill will commence to run day and night. He says the ore is in well-defined veins in granite and is free milling.

Messrs. Klinefelter, Frank Seaborn and Fred Schafer are hard at work there and are enthusiastic over their prospects. Some of the ore runs as high as $200, but the average now being obtained and worked is, as stated before, $60 to the ton.

This promises to be the camp of this section, and its close proximity to our town insures us material and immediate benefits from its prosperity.

At Cottonwood, in the Pinto range, Cooper, McGrath & Co. are arastraing a four-inch ledge that runs $3000 to the ton.

John Taylor has been appointed to supersede J. P. Taggart as superintendent of the Gold Bronze mine of the Vanderbilt Company.

The Fife & Howard Company is down 139 feet with its well in the Pleasant Valley, near the Lost Horse mine. There is good prospect for a bountiful supply of water, which will open another large mining region.

San Diego County.

Another strike is reported from the Rice District, near Warner, says the San Diego News. The shaft of the Yellow Hammer is now down over eighty feet, exposing a body of very high grade ore.

Messrs Harrison and Golbraith in the same district have uncovered a sixteen-foot ledge of free milling ore, which will average $8 per ton. They are now down eighteen feet with a crosscut from wall to wall, every foot of which prospects well as compared with the vast body of ore uncovered.

Every facility for the economical working of ores can be found in this district, and with plenty of wood and water there will be no question of handling to a profit the deposits of low-grade ore known to abound in that vicinity.

Messrs. Begole, Hawkes and Bruschi are now down 25 feet on their Free Coinage mine in Pine Valley and the vein shows as strong and prospects as well as on the surface. The pay "shoot" is about 300 feet in length and while the ledge averages only from 1 to 1½ feet in width the average of the ore will exceed $100 per ton by careful sample. Such high-grade ore is seldom encountered and is regarded as phenomenal.

Owing to the late storms, work has been temporarily abandoned by Thomas Dalep on his copper mine. Little mention has been made in the papers of this fine property. The main shaft is now down 75 feet with a crosscut of 32 feet all in ore from wall to wall. As the ledge will average 10 per cent copper its full width at the grass roots, besides carrying some little silver and gold, it is considered by competent experts to be one of the finest prospects for amount of development done, in the State.

W. H. Ferry has a couple of men at work prospecting on his ranch near Lakeside with encouraging results. He has sunk forty feet in one vein and exposed a number of sulphuret bearing ledges by cuts and prospect shafts.

L. E. Aubury, the assayer, reports more activity in mining business in San Diego than for some time past and the amount of gold bullion which passes through his office daily would seem to indicate that some of the boys were striking it rich and that mining was on the boom.

Dr. D. B. Northrup will soon put a force of men to work on his property recently purchased in Pine Valley.

Mr. Clark on an adjoining mine also expects to push his tunnel to a connection with the shaft as soon as the roads are in condition to haul supplies.

Stanislaus County.

The Golden City District Mining Company, the moving spirit of which is J. R. Moffit, is preparing to work its mining property near La Grange on a large scale. All the necessary machinery and appliances are now in place and work will be commenced at once. The vein at a depth of sixty feet is seven feet thick and shows an average valuation of $30 per ton by the many assays made heretofore. The Moffit system of treating ores will be used.—Sonora Banner.

Nevada County.

As soon as the weather becomes settled, says the Grass Valley Tidings, there are several new mining ventures that will be started in this vicinity. The recent snowstorm put a stop to prospecting in many places, and prevented work that was about to be commenced from being started. The roads are in such a terrible condition that it is almost impossible to haul lumber or machinery anywhere, and prospectors who are working in a small way and have taken out quartz are obliged to wait a while before they can have it taken to the mill to be crushed. Mining operations of all kinds have been interrupted more or less during the past two months, many delays having been caused at some of the old mines.

When the spring opens and the heavy storms are over we expect to see a revival in quartz mining in this immediate vicinity that will equal anything of the kind that has been witnessed here for many years before.

There are several projects on foot, some of which have not been made public yet, and we are assured that they will all be entered upon during the coming spring and summer. Mines that have been worked more or less in the past are to be reopened by new companies with the intention of thoroughly developing the properties, while a number of new mines or prospects are to be taken hold of by capitalists and worked in a thorough manner. We expect to see a healthy, reliable improvement here within the next few months.

OREGON.

The Baker City Democrat says: "There is enough gold in a very small area of country east of Baker City to pay off the national debt," said an old miner yesterday in the presence of a number of other prospectors who were discussing the rich gold strikes made within the past few days in the Virtue and White Swan districts, "and all that is necessary to get out the metal is the application of sufficient capital to put the mines on a working basis."

There was no dissenting from the opinion expressed and all agreed that almost within the gates of Baker City was a mineral belt that some day would outrival Cripple Creek or any of the other Colorado gold camps.

And this is true. If the Virtue and White Swan districts were situated in Colorado ten thousand men would find employment. There would be a hundred or more mills like the Virtue and White Swan turning out their $20,000 to $30,000 gold products each month.

These observations are brought about by the continued and recent rich ore bodies uncovered and the phenomenal wealth that seems certain is buried in nature's treasure-vaults in this section of country.

The news comes in daily of rich strikes here and there and not confined to any particular lead. The whole country seems to be a network of gold-carrying veins and ledges that become richer and more permanent as depth is reached.

On the heels of the rich strikes on First Creek in the Friday, Kearsarge, Tarantula, Columbian and others come the news that in the White Swan an ore body is being worked that is as rich as the numerous shutes found in the Virtue. Then we hear of the long-ago abandoned James Gordon mine yielding an ore-body in the north drift just cleaned out from which two miners are pounding out in a mortar $20 per day.

Such wonderful developments are by no means a surprise to those acquainted with the mineral character of the country, and more frequent and permanent discoveries will be made from this time on. The country has not been half prospected. It has just been run over by barroom prospectors. When muscle, energy and scientific methods are applied then wonders will begin to unveil themselves.

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TO STOP IT JUST WHERE IT IS NOW.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PROTESTS AGAINST THE PASSING OF FAY'S BILL.

WANT THE SEAWALL SOUTH.

SIDNEY M. SMITH ADOPTS KEEGAN'S SUGGESTION AS VOICED IN "THE CALL."

Sidney M. Smith, president of the Cutting Packing Company, prominent member of the Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the last Grand Jury, was before the Board of Harbor Commissioners yesterday afternoon to get further data with regard to the seawall and the proposition to build it north.

Secretary Keegan's appeal to everybody having shipping or any allied interest, as published in THE CALL of yesterday, to enter the lists for the defeat of the Fay bill, had received general attention. Mr. Smith had been delegated to carry out Mr. Keegan's suggestions.

The matter is to be brought before the Chamber of Commerce immediately by Mr. Smith, who will be armed with the facts obtained from the Commissioners yesterday. They went all over the whole matter with him, spread maps on the tables, showed him where the lapse in the wall to the south worked daily hindrance to traffic and how the long expensive stretch of wall to the north stands as a constant witness that no more is needed in that direction, because it is not profitable.

"The revenues of Meiggs wharf, at the foot of Powell street—a long wharf affording plenty of room—are infinitesimal as compared to those of any other wharf in the southern part of the water front.

"The green Oregon pine of which this roadway is built is torn to pieces under the sharp toes of the heavily laden horses, and its life at the longest is but three months." Secretary Keegan said: "It is constantly out of repair. The State will not allow the city to fill in the angles and spaces, when a good road might be made that way, unless they put in a granite facing, and the city will not do that, because it is too expensive, and because that is the business of the State.

"By building the seawall in the straight line that has been fixed the State would redeem several triangular pieces of land that would be of great value, but which are now under water.

"There is a demand for the sea-wall south by the business interests of the whole city," continued Mr. Keegan. "The only reason that can be urged for building it north is a sentimental one—that it would improve the appearance of things around by the heads. To be sure it would also improve the Fair estate around there at North Beach, but just why the State should donate $600,000 to either of these ends, while it inflicted proportionate penalties upon and retarded the solid business interests of the city, it is difficult to see."

Mr. Smith stated to the board that he had called upon General Dimond and other influential members of the Chamber of Commerce, and found all of the same opinion, that active measures should be taken to interrupt the course of the Fay bill.

When Governor Budd and Senator Gleaves were in the city some weeks ago to look into water-front matters they were shown all along the front. Senator Gleaves expressed very decided views against the bill and said he would fight it. He believed that the Federal Government should build the northern wall as a means of ready communication between the Presidio and the business portion of the city.

Governor Budd said he believed the seawall should be built south, but declined to express an opinion about the proposition north, inasmuch as it threatened to come before him in the shape of a bill to be signed. From what is known of his opinions it is not likely that he will sign it in case it does, "but," said Mr. Keegan yesterday, "no dependence should be placed in this. The bill passed both houses last session and Governor Markham vetoed it. If it should pass again with a reasonable majority its champions would use the fact as a strong argument in favor of securing the gubernatorial signature. The thing to do is to stop it where it is."

IS A MAN MERCHANDISE?

The Board of Harbor Commissioners Have a Very Knotty Legal Problem to Solve.

The Political Code Draws a Line Between a Load of Goods and a Load of Humanity.

In their very laudable efforts to check fast driving upon the wharves of this city the Harbor Commissioners have run afoul of a section of the Political Code which draws a sharp distinction between a vehicle loaded with merchandise and one bearing one or more human beings. The question arises among the legal minds of that body as to whether a man can be, under any conditions, merchandise. The Commissioners cite a precedent in the fact that many men in this city, especially in the vicinity of that very commercial period known as "election time," can be bought and sold at very reasonable figures.

While this question is pending before the board the cases in the Police courts of the several buggy-drivers who were arrested for fast driving will be dismissed.

The special police officers of the Harbor Commissioners are to be uniformed after the blue pattern worn by customs officers, with letters "S. H. P." upon their caps, beneath which will be the words, "Passenger Director." Besides their police duties they will be required to give inquiring persons all possible information about locations of vessels and wharves. It is the intention to make this new harbor police an efficient institution upon the water front. The service will be without extra expense to the board.

DEATH OF EUGENE SULLIVAN.

He Was a Son of the Hibernia Bank's First President.

Eugene J. Sullivan, a native of this city, died at Denver, Colo., recently, aged 25 years. He was the son of the late John Sullivan, first president of the Hibernia Bank, and of the late Mrs. Ada Eugenia Sullivan, and a brother of Attorney Frank J. Sullivan.

The deceased graduated at St. Mary's College a few years ago. Thereafter he went to Stonyhurst College, in England, where he won the philosopher's prize. He traveled through Spain, Italy, Greece, Germany, Norway and Sweden, Great Britain and Ireland, and finally made Paris his abiding place.

About a year and a half ago Mr. Sullivan became ill from lung trouble and returned to this city, bringing with him mementos of all the countries he had seen.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Murphy Estate Company to Elizabeth Lightner, lot on S line of Vallejo street, 122:10½ E of Laguna, E 22:9 by S 107:6; $10.

C. W. and Frederica L. Marwedel to Carrie H. Marwedel, lot on N line of Union street, 66:9 E of Scott, E 30 by N 110; $10.

James Aitken to Charles J. Raighin, lot on W line of Devisadero, 32 S of Page, S 25 by W 100; $10.

Mahlon B. Sturges to Nettie English, re-record of 1550 d. 145, NW corner Fell street and Masonic avenue, W 28 by N 100; $10.

Henry and Dora C. Brown to Christian Wurst, lot on W line of Rondel place, 181:6 S of Sixteenth street, S 52:2 by W 64; $10.

City and County of San Francisco to Nancy McVerry, lot on SW line of Ninth street, 75 SE of Harrison, SE 75 by SW 100; $—.

John Heffernan to Patrick Heran, lot on N line of Hancock street, 205 E of Noe, E 25 by N 114; $10.

Estate of John M. Anderson (by Francis S. Cook executor) to Rose Dugan, lot on SW corner of Twentieth and Hampshire streets, W 25 by S 102; $7500.

William Noonan to Johanna Noonan, lot on NE line of Boardman place, 150 SE of Bryant street, SE 25:2 by NE 117:6; gift.

John M. and Martha Ward to Charles M. Stolz, lot on E line of Tenth avenue, 235 S of California street, S 25 by E 120; $10.

A. P. Lorentzen to Charles H. Lewis, lot on W line of Tenth avenue, 200 S of Clement street, S 35 by W 120; $10.

Philip Bruton to E. S. Farnham, lot on E line of Twenty-eighth avenue, 225 N of L street, N 50 by E 120; $158.

John P. and Catherine A. Sweeney to Daniel A. Sweeney, lot on W line of Ninth avenue, 214.68 S of M, S 133:30 by W 120; $5.

Ellen O'Neill to Patrick O'Neill, lot on NE line of Corea street, 150 W of Yazoo, W 50 by NE 100, block 166, Central Park; $10.

Leo Bruener to Patrick W. Riordan, lot on SE corner of Shotwell and Army streets, E to Folsom, S 300, W 180, W 116:8, N 125, P. V. Lands; $10.

Patrick W. Riordan to Henry J. and Catherine Drewes, lot on SW corner of Folsom and Army streets, W 100 by S 50, same; $10.

O. F. and Matilda von Rhein to Daniel R. Sewell, lot on NW line of Tiffany avenue, 632 NE of Twenty-ninth, NE 25, NW 122:6, SW 25, SE 120; $10.

ALAMEDA COUNTY.

Eliza Jane Starr (trustee of estate of Louis M. Starr) to Henry K. Beldon, lot on SW corner of Lake and Oak streets, W 60 by S 100, Oakland; $6000.

J. K. Emmett (by Tax Collector and J. W. Striker, Tax Collector) to A. L. Payne of Vermont, lot 3, block C, Rooney Tract, Berkeley; $2.

Johann Rudolph and Paul Greub to Gustav A. Greub of Oakland, lots 8 and 13, block H, Newbury Tract, Berkeley; $10.

Albert Meyer of San Francisco to Simon and Leontine Blum, undivided one-half interest in lot on E line of Broadway, 93 N of Durant, N 46:6 by E 150, portion of lot 2, block F, Fountain Place, Oakland; $3000.

S. C. and Grace M. Talbott to H. T. Waite of Oakland, lot on NW line of Eleventh avenue, 100 NE of E Twenty-third street, NW 75 by NE 50, portion of double block 143, Clinton, East Oakland; $1.

James E. and Lillian D. Gettings to Michael Mulvihill of Oakland Township, lot on E line of Telegraph avenue, 60 N of Shasta, N 30 by E 150, portion of lot 24, block B, Vicente Peralta Reservation Tract, Temescal, Oakland Township; $800.

Alfred and Rose B. Bannister to Jesse E. Godley of San Francisco, the N 80 feet of lots 1 to 8, block 10; also lots 1 to 4, 7 and 10, block 15; also lots 2 to 8 and 10, and N 40 feet of lot 9, block 17; also lots 8 and 9, block 18; also the S 40 feet of lot 6 and N 80 feet of lot 7, block 19, Berkeley Villa Association, Berkeley; $10.

H. M. and Lulu B. Maxfield of Alameda to Kittie F. Hill of San Francisco, lot on SW line of Nicol avenue, 400 NW of Peralta avenue, NW 37:6 by SW 150, lot 18 and E half of lot 19, block F, corrected map, Nicol Tract, Brooklyn Township; $10.

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