

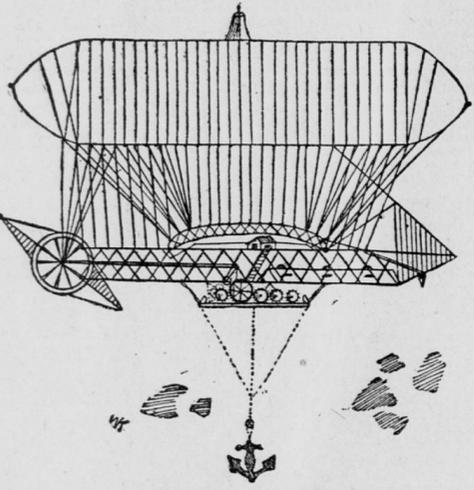
PREPARING TO SKIM THE CLOUDS.

A SAN FRANCISCO ARTISAN WILL COMPETE FOR A GOVERNMENT PRIZE.

AIRSHIP AND AEROCYCLE.

PAUL MONACO WILL MAKE GOOD USE OF THE LIGHT METAL, ALUMINUM.

There is a proposition before Congress to appropriate \$100,000 as an inducement to aeronautic inventors to go to work in earnest and evolve a successful flying machine, to be used in military operations.



MONACO'S AIR-SHIP.

[Reproduced from a drawing made by the inventor.]

for experiments not one machine but two. One will be an aérocycle, to be used by one man and operated by means of pedal cranks and springs, alternately.

Mr. Monaco says he has flown in the air twice near his native home, Ukraine, Poland. His first flight was in an airship, with his brother, Emil Monaco, now an oculist in Lucerne, Switzerland.

She was told that her spouse had gone down with the Montserrat.

Sara A. Souza was arrested and locked up at the old City Prison last night on a warrant sworn out by Timothy Lynch, a musician, charging her with bigamy.

When young and attractive she was married to S. D. Farmon, who divorced her. Then she married Julius Souza, a sailor, who, she says, was lost with the collier Montserrat, and then she married Lynch.

I am not certain that my husband was drowned, it was told that he had shipped with the Montserrat, and that it is so he is not on earth. He was a sailor, and like all sailors there was nothing certain about his movements.

Lynch says he knows that Souza is in the land of the living, and will produce him in evidence at the proper time.

It was the custom years ago for the Japanese ladies to gild their teeth.

GUESTS OF NEWSPAPERMEN. Rendezvous for Bohemians at the Press Club To-night.

The Press Club will give its initial "Late Watch" in its new quarters in the Thurlow block this evening at 8:30 o'clock.

metal, and a number of cogwheels and springs made of the finest steel. An upright shaft of steel supports and revolves a horizontal screw-wheel or propeller made of aluminum and the finest French satinized kid skin.

chain to a wheel and shaft, and is geared so as to sink very slowly and at the same time impart power and speed to the driving machinery.

In speaking of the airship yesterday Mr. Monaco said: "This idea is not a new one. An airship on the same principle was built and successfully tested at Landskron, Poland, 200 years ago, by a man named Wilkowsky."

A STEAMER IN SECTIONS. She Will Be Sent Two Thousand Miles for Launching.

A steamer is being built on Folsom street, near Main, in this city, which will take a sea voyage of many hundreds of miles before she is launched, and when she does find her native element it will be water so shallow that the crew can roll up their trousers, step overboard and lead her gently home.

WARRANTS MAY BE REFUSED. The Auditor Fears That Rosenfeld's Appointment Is Illegal.

Mayor Sutro says he intends to have the books of the Park Commissioners explicated and find out what is done with the \$200,000 or more per year which the Park Commissioners spend on the city's pleasure-ground.

"I do not intend to intimate that the funds are not properly used," said the Mayor yesterday; "but I think that the general public has much interest in the matter and, moreover, a right to know what the Commissioners are doing. I shall send Mr. Gaden, the expert whom I employ out of my private means, to the Commissioners with a request that they permit him to look over their accounts. Should they refuse I have other means of finding out what I want."

"The other means" are the books of the Auditor, which, while they will not give so many details as those of the commission, will nevertheless convey a general idea of the expenditures.

"I am sure I do not know what we are going to do about the matter," said the Southern Pacific Company still maintains the site of the fair. I do not believe that the police would assist in tearing up the track if I made such a demand, and the Superintendent of Streets would probably refuse to interfere with it on the ground that he has no jurisdiction over the park. I see no way to get rid of the track except by force, but where is the force to come from?"

"The Mayor asked me," said Auditor Broderick in reference to the matter, "whether I would permit my expert to go through the books of my office to gather some idea of the expenditure of the Park Commission, in case the latter would not give him access to their accounts. I told him that he could see whatever we have here, and, moreover, that he would probably be compelled to depend on us, for the park being entirely under the control of the commissioners and in no way connected with the municipal government, except as to the signing of their warrants by myself and the drawing of their money from the treasury, they would probably resent any interference from a municipal officer."

"The park matter is causing me a good deal of worry just now, and particularly in reference to the appointment of John Rosenfeld as a commissioner. As far as I can make it out from the laws I have examined I do not think that his appointment, by the vote of Commissioner Austin and the majority of the board, is legal, and unless I am shown authorities which will remove all doubt from my mind I shall refuse to sign their warrants until they show the signature of both Messrs. Scott and Austin. The law clearly says that their demands must be assented to by two commissioners and the Auditor before the Treasurer can pay them. It seems to me that Rosenfeld's appointment was rushed through that he could sign their February warrants as the first act of his official life."

"The general law says that the commission must have a quorum present in order to fill a vacancy, and I interpret the words 'quorum present' to mean the physical presence of two commissioners, and I do not look upon the presence of one commissioner and a proxy as a quorum. As I expected the salary warrants to come down to-day I sent word to the auditor of the board saying that if he would give me satisfactory legal grounds for a belief that Mr. Rosenfeld was qualified to sign the warrants, I would pass them; otherwise they would have to wait until the return of Mr. Scott or be sent on to him for his signature."

"Their demands average \$9000 to \$10,000 per month and I do not propose to sign the warrants and let the auditor pay the appointment turns out to be illegal, have some one come back on me and demand that I pay this money to the treasury out of my pocket. I would be sorry, however, to refuse to sign, for the money goes to pay the salaries of working men who need it for the necessities of life, and I certainly do not wish to delay their pay."

MR. ROSENFELD'S ELECTION. Park Commissioner Austin's Reason for Voting Scott's Proxy.

The election of John Rosenfeld to fill the unexpired term of Park Commissioner W. W. Stow, deceased, was accomplished by Park Commissioner Joseph Austin yesterday in a very simple manner. Mr. Austin held the proxy of Mr. Scott, who is in Washington, which he cast with his own vote for Mr. Rosenfeld.

"The law provides in case of the absence by death or resignation from the Board of Park Commissioners," said Joseph Austin last night, "that the unexpired term shall be filled through an election of a third member by the other two."

"Upon receipt of the news of Mr. Stow's death, Mr. Scott wired me this message: 'Record my vote for John Rosenfeld. I did so, after consulting Attorney George A. Knight. I think the action was legal. If it is not so considered by Auditor Broderick I shall not insist, but await Mr. Scott's return.'"

"My only object was to enable the park employes to receive the cash for their warrants for last month's work. The warrants must be signed by two members of the board. Mr. Rosenfeld and I signed them, and if the Auditor declines to audit them, then they must wait."

"If the action is illegal it is only technically so, on the ground of the absence of Mr. Scott and the irregularity of my voting for his proxy. It will make no difference in the election, for Mr. Rosenfeld will be the man in either event."

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EDWARDS DISSATISFIED. Accuses the City Hall Commissioners of Bad Faith.

Norton A. Edwards, one of the sculptors who was unsuccessful in the competition for the contract for the statue which is to surmount the dome at the new City Hall, presented a grievance before the Board of City Hall Commissioners at its meeting yesterday. He intimated that the board had not acted in good faith in permitting the successful bidder for the contract to make the statue larger than the original call for bids specified or in countenancing any increase in the contract price.

MANUFACTURERS WILL COME INTERIOR EDITORS INVITED TO AID THE FORTHCOMING CONVENTION.

Names of Those Represented Must Be Sent to the Secretary.

The call for a convention of manufacturers to take place on the 16th inst. has created general interest and it is expected will be responded to from every quarter.

Was Napoleon or Wellington the better fighter? Dr. Price's commands the baking powder.

MRS. JOHNSON'S REAL ESTATE. Property Valued at \$198,625 Has Been Sold.

A return of the sale of real property from the estate of Mrs. Kate Johnson, deceased, shows the following transactions; to George K. Fitch, lot on Filbert and Battery streets, \$8500; to John A. Lennon, lot on Guerrero and Twenty-third streets, \$17,000; to P. F. Dundon, lot on Howard and Main streets, \$9250; to Margerita Ginge, lot on Lyon, near Page street, \$7000; to P. C. Jordan, lot on Clay, near Scott, \$6025; to George Clark, lot on Jessie, near Fifth, \$6500; to G. Onesto, lot on Battery and Green, \$5000; to Thomas Magee, two lots on Clay, near Laurel, \$2150 and \$2150; to Henry Kunst, lot in same vicinity, \$2350; to Charles Clark, lot on Jackson, near Laurel, \$8000; to John Courtney, lot on L street and Third, \$4750; to M. H. de Young, lot on O street and Thirty-second avenue, \$1500; to John J. O'Farrell, house and lot on southwest corner of O'Farrell and Leavenworth, \$45,000; to Thomas J. Clunie, house and lot on Golden Gate avenue and Leavenworth street, \$74,000.

Notre Dame des Victoires. A mission will begin at the French church, Notre Dame des Victoires, on Bush street, the first Sunday of Lent, March 3, at 10:30 A. M. The forty hours' devotion will begin on the same day. The preacher will be Rev. Father Lyon, near Page street, and thirty-second street, on the corner of the house of the Marist Fathers at Paris. For many years he filled the pulpit in some of the largest cities of France. During the week, at 3 P. M., there will be a retreat, with sermon and benediction, mostly for married and young ladies. Some of the members of the choir of the Children of Mary will have charge of the music. Monday, Wednesday and Friday of the first week, sermon and benediction at 7:45 P. M.

Which baking powder wins at all the great fairs? Dr. Price's, of course.

YOUTH'S DIRECTORY WORK. Father Crowley Makes an Interesting Annual Report.

Rev. D. O. Crowley, director of the Youth's Directory, yesterday submitted to Archbishop Riordan his annual report on the institution as follows:

At the close of last year the children remaining in this home numbered 60 in all. During that time the institution has received 310 more, making the entire number cared and provided for during the year 370 children.

One hundred and eighty-one of these were sent to the directory by parents and relatives; the members of the Holy Family, 1 from the Sisters of the Holy Family, 1 from the Ladies' Aid Society, and 23 from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

During the year the disposition of children was as follows: To St. Vincent's Asylum, 136; the Infant Asylum, 32; guardians, 85; Girls' Directory, 14; homes with families, 22; St. Mary's Hospital, 1; left without permission, 2; total, 312; remaining in directory, 58.

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The awards of prizes were by ballot of the members of the society. Mrs. T. L. Walker took prize for the best three species of hyacinths, Mrs. J. H. Boden and Mrs. T. L. Walker divided the prize for the best collection of bulbs, and Mrs. E. Llewellyn and Miss McClellan took the prizes for the best collection of violets.

The society elected as new members: Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. Le Roy G. Harvey, Mrs. May Shaw, J. E. Wakeman, McClellan and Lee Ross.

It was decided to hold the sweet-pea exhibit during the second week in June. Promises of flowers for this show were received from a large number of people in different parts of the State.

It was decided to invite Dr. Behr to deliver a lecture at the next meeting on the "Flora of India and Australia."

Looking for Mrs. Martin. A Deputy Sheriff had another pleasant trip to the racetrack yesterday in search of Mrs. Isabella Martin, who was fined \$100 for contempt by Justice Kerrigan some time ago. It was reported that she was out of the city, but as J. J. Rauer, the complainant in the case, failed to testify in which led to the fine, deputy opportunity, the deputy was instructed to make every effort to find her.

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