

SAN FRANCISCO LETTER

Per O. & O. S. S. Oceanic, San Francisco, August 1st.

[From our San Francisco Correspondent.]

Explorer Peary's Bad Luck.

A dispatch from St. John's, N.E., of July 31, says: Lieutenant Peary, according to reports from Labrador, was in bad straits there last week. He reached Battle harbor on July 18th, after a passage of three days from here, during which he encountered very tempestuous weather. The heavy seas swept over the ship, damaging her and injuring the burros that are part of his outfit. They were perishing when Battle harbor was reached, and he stopped two days to enable them to recuperate and to repair damages.

An attempt to buy dogs there was unsuccessful, there being none to be had. He tried Turnavick, the next port of importance, but there the residents demanded so much for them that the lieutenant declined to buy. He next tried Hopedale, but there, too, the inhabitants asked exorbitant prices. He was contemplating slaughtering the burros when the Labrador mail steamer Windsor Lake met the Falcon there.

Lieutenant Peary was much exercised at the delay which was being caused, and which would injuriously affect his project of reaching Greenland. By rights he should be there by this time. The kite, with the relief expedition, reached McCormick bay last year on August 2d. Lieutenant Peary does not believe he can reach port before the end of this month or reach Bowdoin bay before late in August. He will therefore run the risk of finding the ice pack impervious or, if he gets through, of having his steamer frozen in there all winter.

This is the most likely contingency, and she also runs the risk at this late period of being ripped and crushed by the heavy ice. Any of these contingencies would seriously affect is not ruin the expedition.

Arms For Hawaii.

The San Francisco Call of July 29 prints a statement that within the past month arms have been shipped to Hawaii, and the belief is that an attempt is being made to place the natives in a position to effect a successful counter revolution against the Provisional government.

As long ago as March, Winchester rifles and cartridges have been shipped to the South Seas by a sailing fleet and most of them found their way to Hawaii. Twenty-eight cases of Winchester rifles are also said to have been sent by steamer, consigned simply to the initial "D." These weapons were purchased of a local dealer by a mysterious person, who refused to say for whom they were intended, but the agent paid cash. This was a month ago. The steamship people, however, deny that any such shipment was made.

San Francisco News.

Three thousand dollars worth of opium was seized by Deputy Surveyor Ruddle on the 29 ult. The "Silverites" had a big mass-meeting in Metropolitan Temple recently. About 3000 bi-metallists were there. The crusade against side doors and "Ladies Entrances" to saloons still continues, the W. C. T. U. pushing the matter. It is probable that action will be taken by the United States government to have the Sailors Home property revert to the Federal authorities, and that the government will run the place. Governor-General Sergins, etc., Douschovskoi of Siberia left for America by the Peru recently. He traveled incognito in this country. Negotiations for the settlement of the affairs of the Pacific and People's Home savings banks are in progress but the banks have not re-opened. Daniel McSweeney, known all over the country as the "Irish Suspect," died at his home in this city last week. He took a leading part in the Land League troubles and was once eighteen months in a British prison. Millionaire E. F. Searles has given several valuable pictures to the Hopkins School of Art. The scandal attached to the purchase of the bog site for the post-office at 7th and Mission streets is to be investigated at the coming session of congress. General Eckels of Washington has published a statement to the effect that the National banks of this city are in stronger financial condition than during any previous period in the United States.

dramatized in order to provide a fund for Evans' defense. Evans' wife and daughter are both to appear.

Judge Ross of the United States district court, Los Angeles, has decided in a test case that the penal parts of the Geary law are unconstitutional, but that Chinese may be deported. The Chinese lawyers are determined to take a new test case to the United States supreme court.

The headquarters of the Californian Magazine have been removed to New York for economical reasons.

The body of John Martin, the Weaverville mining millionaire, is to be exhumed and the stomach examined for arsenic. It is suspected that his wife poisoned him. J. B. Stetson has started a movement to get a government appropriation to blow up Arch rock and Shag rock in the harbor.

The establishment of Buyer & Reich, at No. 221 Bush street, was burned out on the 31st. Loss \$250,000; insurance \$150,000.

Attachments have been secured by the Thompson-Houston Electrical Co. against the cars of the San Francisco and San Mateo Co. to secure payment for electrical cars. The attachment has been raised and a big litigation is promised.

H. B. Hunt, of the firm of Moore, Hunt & Co., wholesale liquor dealers, died on the 21st ult., aged 55 years.

The opposition ferries to Oakland are doing a big business.

General John Daggett has assumed the superintendency of the mint, succeeding General W. H. Dimond.

Sporting.

Jack Dempsey, ex-middle weight champion, has gone to New York to offer to fight any welter weight for the championship at 140 pounds.

Jackson has returned to America from England. He says he is glad he is to meet Corbett next June. He thinks Corbett will defeat Mitchell without trouble.

Considerable trouble is being found in deciding where Corbett and Mitchell are to fight. Corbett wants Coney Island, N. Y., and Mitchell the Columbian club at Raby, Ind. A disagreement seems probable.

George Green of San Francisco (Young Corbett) was defeated by Paddy Smith at Raby, Ind., on the 31st, in twenty-nine rounds.

The American yacht Navahoe was beaten in the regatta of the Royal Yacht club at Cowes, England, on the 31st ult. Both the Britannia (owned by the Prince of Wales) and the Valkyrie passed her.

W. Heffelfinger, Yale's great right guard, has been engaged by the Olympic club to coach the Olympic club football team for the coming football season.

Stansbury, the Australian oarsman, has been challenged by Jake Gaudaur to row three miles and a turn for \$2500 a side (charter-ship not included). Gaudaur is now champion of the world by having defeated Stansbury in Austin, Texas.

Hobart and Havey have won the American championship (doubles) at Chicago in the tournament just closed. Tobin and Taylor were not in it.

Adolph Spreckels is erecting a splendid stable at the entrance to the park near Dickey's place. He will spend about \$25,000 on the place. His trotting horses have lately done remarkably well both here and in the East.

Morello won the Wheeler handicap at Chicago on July 22d in 2:05, equalling the world's record for a mile and a quarter.

LAHAINALUNA SEMINARY.

The Term Will Open on the 11th of Next Month.

MR. EDITOR: Please notify your readers, for me, that Lahainaluna seminary will open again on the 11th day of September next. The teaching force will be full and I expect a prosperous year. All boys who bring certificates of honorable dismissal from the school last attended, who are willing to work with hands and heads, and who have pursued the studies of the public school course as far as to include an elementary knowledge of fractions, will be welcomed. It is particularly desired that all boys, old and new, present themselves promptly at the beginning of the term.

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Leases of Land Sold.

Two leases of government land were sold yesterday at noon in front of the executive building. The lease for ten years of the Kohala Pili lands comprising 7973 acres, was sold at the upset price of \$250 per annum to the estate of James Woods.

The lease of 323 acres, comprising the government lands of Analea, Haana, Kaniapuna and Kaniapuna, was sold to Dr. J. Wight for

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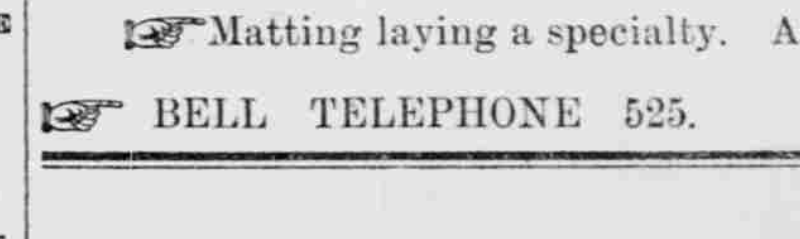
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