

AMUSEMENTS

### IMPORTANT NOTICE!

All seats ordered must be called for before 5 p. m. TO-DAY, Tuesday, or they will be sold. Reserved seats \$1.50, \$1.00 and \$0c. General Admis-sion 50c and 25c.

Thursday Afternoon, December 14.

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MONSTER CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE IN AID OF THE

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The FRAWLEY COMPANY, in "THE LITTLEST GIRL," from the California.
An act of "THE CHIMES OF NORMANDY," from the Grand Opera House.
An act of "Mother Earth" from the Alcazar.
CAMILLE D'ARVILLE, MR. and MRS. EDWIN MILTON ROYLE, CORNILLE, GEORGE FULLER GOLDEN and the Cream of Vaudeville, from the Orpheum.

FERRIS HARTMAN and an Operatic Sur-ORIGINAL GEORGIA MINSTRELS, from MAJOR MITE and Big Things, from the MOHRING BROTHERS, from the GRAND OPEN AIR CONCERT AT NOON BY THE \$5000 CHALLENGE GEORGIA MIN-STRELS BAND.

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San Jose and way stations. Arrive at San Bruno at 12:45 p. m. Leave San Bruno at 4:00 and 6:45 p. m.

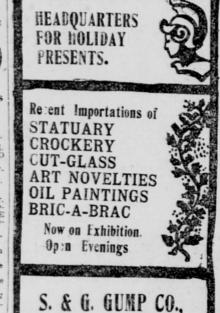
Rates: San Francisco to Tanforan and return, including admission to track, \$1.25.

W. J. MARTIN, President.

F. H. GREEN, Secretary and Manager.

Nearly Killed Himself.

MARYSVILLE, Dec. 11.—The 13-yearold son of J. M. Cutts of Linda Township
had a narrow escape from death last
evening. While returning from hunting
he pulled his shotgun over a fence after
him, muzzle first. The hammers struck
the top barb wire and both barrels were
discharged. One charge of powder burned his ear and tore away a large piece of
the scalp from the side of his head. The
shot did not penetrate the skull and the
boy was able to walk home.



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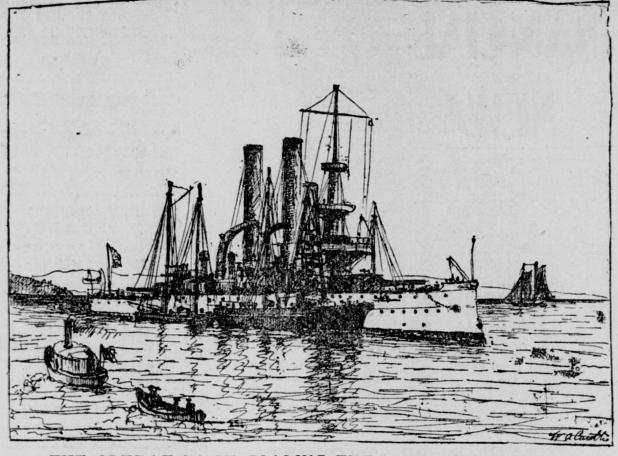
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### THE OPERATION OF COALING THE BATTLESHIP IOWA.

THE record of the coast was broken yesterday in the supplying of the big warship with fuel. A thousand tons given. When the day's work was done it was about a standard was put aboard in eight hours, or an average of 125 tons an hour. It was a case of rivalry between the port and starboard watches, and the officers were as much interested in the contest as the men. A blackboard was hung on the Magdalena Bay for gun practice.

# AND TRANSPORTS ARRIVE IN PORT

Zealandia and Para
Will Be Released.

OVERDUE DEEP-WATER SHIPS

SOME OF THEM ARE CAUSING
MUCH UNEASINESS.

Two mail steamers and one transport
made port yesterday. The America Maru
got in from Hongkong via Yokohama and
Honolulu with Ti cabin, 14 Europeans, 42
Chinese and 18 Japanese in the steerage.
She made the run from Honolulu in the
fast time of five days twenty hours. The
Sam Jose came in from Central American
ports with seven cabin and twelve steerage passengers. She made the run from
Panama in twenty-two days. The City
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passengers. The passage was an uneventful one. Both the City of Para and Zealandia, which arrived from Manila Sunday, will be returned to their owners as
soon as the damage to them has been assessed by a board of survey.

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The British steamer Bloemfontein is now overdue at Honolulu from Newcastle, N. S. W. She is loaded with coal, and was nearly seventeen days late when the America Maru left Honolulu. The chances are than her machinery broke down and that she will be picked up and towed into port by some ocean liner.

The overdue British ship St. Enoch, now out 184 days from Panama for Portland, has been heard from again. Last November 5 per cent reinsurance was being paid on her and then she showed up off the Columbia River bar and took a pilot aboard. That was on November 17, and about that time the southeaster came up and ship and pilot were driven off shore. From that time until yesterday morning nothing was heard of the St. Enoch, and the reinsurance on her had gone back to 10 per cent. Now she has appeared again off the Columbia River and will probably be safe in port to-day.

Another vessel that is and has been causing uneasiness is the French bark Louis Pasteur, now out 133 days from Limerick, Ireland, for Portland, Or. She was spoken in August last in latitude 40 degrees north, longitude 27 degrees west. Later she was in company with the ship Blanca off the Horn, and as the latter was wrecked grave fears are entertained for the Louis Pasteur. The underwriters are paying 25 per cent reinsurance on her, Gray & Mitchell's new steamer Dispatch received a thorough baptism on her first voyage to Portland. She had to fight a gale both going and coming and suffered considerably in consequence. When off the Columbia River bar the lightship signaled that she wanted to speak the Dispatch roceived a thorough baptism on her first voyage to Portland. She had to fight a gale both going and coming and suffered considerably in consequence. When off the Columbia River bar the lightship signaled that she wanted to speak the Dispance of the Horn and as seen the chief engineer of the lightship wanted to

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go ashore. He was taken aboard the Dispatch, but it was nearly a week before the steamer could stand in over the bar. When Astoria was reached the chief engineer discovered that the vessel he had left five days previously had been driven from her moorings and was a total wreck. On the return trip the Dispatch found trouble again. The windows were smashed in, railing carried away, cabin flooded and other minor damage done. Through it all the steamer proved herself an admirable seaboat.

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# GEORGE CROCKER IS HOME AGAIN

Viewed P. I. Company Property.

THE PLANS OF LIQUIDATION

MANY YEARS REQUIRED TO WIND UP AFFAIRS.

George Crocker, second vice president of the Southern Pacific Company, arrived in San Francisco night before last and yesterday received many callers at his office in the yellow building. Before Mr. Crocker left New York for the Pacific Coast The left New York for the Pacific Coast The Call announced that he would travel via New Orleans and tarry en route to inspect properties of the Pacific Improvement Company in Louisiana and Texas. He was asked yesterday if his plans in this respect had been carried out. Speaking of the Pacific Improvement Company he said:
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"Many newspaper reports regarding the affairs of the Pacific Improvement Comaffairs of the Pacific Improvement Company and particularly the stories that the company's property is to be sold outright are incorrect. The Call's statement that the affairs of the company will be wound up by liquidation is correct. I left New York with the intention of acquiring information concerning the value and condition of the company's property and where I did not make personal inspection I secured data from records and agents. "Ten or fifteen years' time may be needed to wind up the affairs of the company.

ed to wind up the affairs of the company. The amount ultimately realized will de-The amount ultimately realized will depend upon conditions of prosperity and the development of the country. I cannot approximate the value of the Pacific Improvement Company's property. The holdings consist of coal mines, steamships, timber lands, hotels, railroads, stocks, bonds and securities. For example the Carbonado coal mines, where the recent disaster occurred, belong to the company. The hotels of Castle Crags and Del Monte are owned by the concern. The company owns a railway and coal mines on Vancouver Island, British Columbia, also valuable lands near Santa Barbara, Cal. In Louisiana and Texas the company has large interests."

Concerning the rumor of his resignation from the office of vice president of the Southern Pacific Company Mr. Crocker remarked:

"I am still second vice president of the company. I have not resigned. I shall probably serve until next January, when my successor may be chosen. My present plans are to remain in California for six weeks. No, I cannot tell you when C. P. Huntington will leave New York for California or how long he will remain after his arrival here."

Mr. Crocker does not care to discuss the Senatorial situation. In fact he frankly admits that the newspapers are much better informed than he is regarding the plans of the candidates. pend upon conditions of prosperity and

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THE WORLD'S GREAT ARTISTS.

Contributors to this course: Dr. John C. Van Dyke, Dr. Russell Sturgis, Dr. A. L. Frothingham Jr., Arthur Hoeber, Frank Fowler and others.

fraternity of the church for which the canvas was painted, and Van Dyck, in order to dispose of it to a private patron at this price, was obliged to throw in a portrait, by way of good measure. After this he painted a "St. Augustine in Ecstasy," and his price was advanced to 600 florins; once more his patron demurred at the expense, and this time it was a small head of Christ that he gave to induce him to keep his contract. Happily, he had no trouble after this in finding commissions, and for five years the work poured in. Among his great compositions of this period are "The Crucifixion," "The Marriage of St. Catharine," the "Ecce Homo," "The Raising of the Cross" and "The Infant Christ Crowning St. Rosa-

VII. SIR ANTHONY VAN DYCK.

BY ARTHUR HOEBER.

(Concluded.)

It was with religious pictures that Van Dyck now occupied himself for awhile. His first subject was "The Adoration of the Shepherds," for which he was to get 400 florins, or about \$160, not, it will be admitted, an exorbitant price; but even this modest sum was objected to by the confraternity of the church for which the canvas was painted, and Van Dyck, in order to dispose of it to a private patron of the SIR ANTHONY VAN DYCK was an extraordinarily rapid worker; his touch was maryelously again.



### VAN DYCK'S "BABY STUART."

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lie." In all more than thirty important religious compositions were executed, while in between Van Dyck did many splendid portraits and made a long series of remarkable sketches in tints, many of which he subsequently etched, while others were engraved and published by Martin Vanden Enden.

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It was impossible to achieve all this success without inciting the malice and envy of some of the lesser minds among his contemporaries, and Van Dyck, who was of a highly sensitive nature, was deeply irritated by the covert attacks subsequently made upon him. They finally became so annoying that he concluded to leave the country for awhile, and in 1629 he went to England. This visit was not successful, however, and for some reason leave the country for awhile, and in loose he went to England. This visit was not successful, however, and for some reason or other he did not attract much attention from the King and the court. He had come upon the invitation of his friend and patron, the Earl of Arundel; unhappily, at that time Arundel was not in favor with his royal master, but three years later, the Duke of Buckingham being dead, the Earl was once more permitted to bask in the sunshine of the royal presence, and with the consent of his august master an official invitation was this time issued to the great Fleming to repeat the visit, and so he returned under the best of auspices.

Coming to London in the early spring of 1632 Van Dyck received a reception belitting his rank as a painter of the greatest distinction. He was properly lodged and all his avrenses were borne by the crown.