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SAN FRANCISCO, THURSDAY, JAN. 5.

CITY ITEMS.

RUNAWAY, AND PROBABLY FATAL ACCIDENT.—About 9 o'clock A. M. yesterday, Mr. Samuel Harding, the constable, was driving through Merchant street, between Montgomery and Kearny streets, when some one, who deserves to be prosecuted and heavily fined, pitched an armfull of paper-hanger's refuse out of an upper window into the street, frightening the animal so that he ran away, throwing Mr. Harding out of the wagon, and turned into Kearny street, down which he started at lightning speed. At the intersection of Clay and Kearny streets, the animal made a short turn around a street car, and dashed down Clay street unchecked. Judge Sawyer was walking across Clay street at the time, in company with Miss E. A. Shaw, a teacher in the Denman School, who was on her way to the rooms of the Board of Education. The lady did not see the animal at all, on account of the car, and was struck from behind by the wagon, which knocked her down and inflicted dangerous, if not fatal, injuries on the back of the head and shoulders. She was taken to the rooms of Dr. J. Murphy, on Clay street, where surgical assistance was rendered.

Since the above was written Miss Shaw has been removed to the residence of Judge Sawyer, and was reported so much easier that strong hopes are entertained for her recovery.

SHARP'S THE WORD.—A few days since detective Rose, while walking along Jackson street, saw a Chinaman carrying a roll of cloth under his arm, and, believing him to be a thief, chased him into a cellar, captured him, and took him to the calaboose. Yesterday, the Chinaman, who occupies the cellar where the arrest was made, came to the Police office and charged Rose with assisting in abducting his wife. On investigation of the facts, it was found that when Rose ran into the place, a Chinaman who was present had taken advantage of the presence of the officer to abduct the wife of the proprietor of the place, leaving the latter under the impression that she had been taken away by some sort of legal process. As soon as Rose heard the particulars of the case, he started out, found the woman, belted the crowd who had her in charge right and left, and restored the almond-eyed beauty to her anxious liege lord's arms. The couple had been regularly married by Justice Wells, some time since, and a clearer case of abduction could not be made out.

SHIPWRECK AND LOSS OF LIFE.—The barque *Ann Parry*, Capt. Trask, with lumber from Puget Sound for J. G. Jackson & Co., Steuart street, was telegraphed off the Heads on Tuesday evening, but owing to the fog and want of a fair breeze, she could not come in, and lay-to off the bar for the night. Yesterday a despatch was received at the Merchants' Exchange that the vessel had gone ashore south of the Cliff House during the night, and had been broken up by the heavy ground swell, and that Capt. Trask and three of the crew were drowned in the surf. The *Ann Parry* was owned by Capt. Chase, and was valued at $10,000 to $12,000. Her cargo consisted of 300,000 feet of lumber, valued at $5,000. Captain Trask has two brothers sailing as officers on vessels from this port, but leaves no widow or children.

AN OLD LANDMARK EFFACED.—The building at the northeast corner of Dupont and Jackson streets, long known as the "Old Armory Hall," has been so altered and improved by the putting in of a new iron front, the building of a large hall in the upper story, and other changes, that old residents can no longer recognize it. The City Marshal's Office, Police Court Room and Calaboose were located in this building in 1851-'52, and was one of the notable relics of old San Francisco. It has now "all the modern improvements," and the stores on the lower story are already occupied.

TEACHERS CHOSEN.—The teachers elected by the Board of Education on Tuesday evening are Sextus Shearer, jr., Miss Nellie J. Baldwin, Annie M. Hucks, M. J. Norton, H. E. McBride, H. Minerva Gates, Helen L. Weaver, Hannah Cooke, J. D. Littlefield, Mary F. Smith, E. M. Campbell, Lydia Derby, Philena Sawyer and E. M. Shaw. No teacher was chosen for Miss Wade's class in the Rincon School, and under the rules, the Superintendent of City Schools has the power of appointment.

INSTALLATION.—At a Regular Council of California Tribe, No. 1, of the Improved Order of Red Men, held January 3, 1865, the following officers were installed for the ensuing year: T. Ansbro, W. S.; J. Strelitz, S. S.; A. A. Dunham, J. S.; Edward Barthop, C. of R.; B. Levy, K. of W.; S. Marks, G. of W.; A. Wiener, W. P.; W. H. Pilner and H. Lundo, P. SS.; H. Lundo, W. H. Pilner, and A. Ginsburg, Trustees.

IMPROVED.—The old Grace Church building on Powell street, between Jackson and Pacific streets, now owned and occupied by an African congregation, has recently been raised so far as to admit of a school room being built under it, and otherwise altered, repaired and improved. It is now quite a pretty lot in the present owners and occupants, and speaks highly for their enterprise and energy.

PENNSYLVANIA FIRE COMPANY, No. 12.—At a regular monthly meeting of the above named Company, held last evening, the following named gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year: President—F. L. Jones, (reelected;) Foreman—J. J. Robbins; Assistant Foreman—E. A. Stevens; Secretary—I. D. Barnard, (reelected,) Treasurer—John H. Gardner, (reelected.)

A NEW PHYSICIAN.—The injured leg of the boat-keeper, of the pilot boat *Fanny*, was skilfully dressed last evening, by Dr. James Greenwood, Graefenburg Physician and West Indian Philosopher. The report circulated by Mr. Stimpson, to the contrary, Dr. Greenwood, on first being called, insisted on cutting the leg off with a carpenter's handsaw, is not correct in any particular.

CONVICTED OF ARSON.—The jury in the County Court, in the case of Phillips, charged with arson, in setting fire to his building on Commercial street, for the purpose of recovering the insurance, returned a verdict, last evening, of "arson in the first degree." The penalty for this is death. No previous conviction on the same charge has been had in San Francisco, if in California.

POSTPONED.—The examination of McCarthy, for libel on James Nisbet, Esq., did not come off in the Police Court, yesterday, owing to the inability of Mr. Winans, attorney for the prosecution, to attend, he having received a severe injury to one of his legs by a fall. The case is now set for the 13th inst.

MISPRINTED.—Among the passengers who left for the East on the *Constitution* yesterday, was D. Epstein, of the firm of Epstein & Co., southwest corner of Sansome and Commercial streets, whose name was printed in the list yesterday as A. Ehstien.

IN HONOR OF SHERMAN.—At a meeting of the Templar Guard on Tuesday evening, it was voted to change their name, and adopt that of General Sherman. The corps will be known henceforth as the Sherman Guard, Co. E., First Regiment C. M.

MUSHROOMS.—We are indebted to Master Samuel Alexander Taylor, of Mountain View, San Mateo county, for a box of fine mushrooms, gathered by him on the 3d inst. They proved exceedingly fine flavored and palatable.

SOLICITOUS FOR A ROW.—José M. Solice was arrested again last evening by officer Cook, on the charge of threatening to do a violent personal injury to the corporeal body of one Ignacio Arenas.

SIDEWALK OPERATOR.—David Keefe, a sidewalk breaker, was arrested on Filbert street, yesterday, by officer Coffey, on the charge of misdemeanor, by driving on the sidewalk.

THE PRIZES.—The winner of the second prize at the target excursion of the Oakland Guards, was private Shuey; and the winner of the fifth was private Lowell J. Hardy.

ARRIVED SAFE.—A telegraph despatch, received yesterday, announces the safe arrival of the steamer *Oregon* at Portland, at midnight, on the 3d inst.

"HERE'S YOUR POPPED CORN."—A package of choice corn, in kernels, for the "popper," has been presented to us by D. L. Perkins, the seedsman and pomologist of Oakland.

THE late storm raised the Yuba river to a point within about eighteen inches of high-water mark of the season.

MONTHLY MEETING OF THE PIONEER ASSOCIATION.—The regular monthly meeting of the Pioneer Society was held last evening. In the absence of the President, N. Holland was called to the chair. The Secretary being also absent, Wm. H. Clark was chosen temporarily to act as Secretary. The minutes of previous meetings were read and approved. The letter received from General Sherman acknowledging the receipt of the communication from the Society electing him an honorary member, was, by vote, ordered placed on the minutes of the Association. The thanks of the Society were extended to Frank Bret Harte, for the poem written by him for the last annual celebration. The freedom of the rooms was also granted to the same gentleman for his services on that occasion. The following were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, By a dispensation of Divine Providence, our much esteemed fellow citizen and beloved brother, S. C. Simmons, has been called from earth to Heaven, in the midst of his usefulness and maturity of his power; and, whereas, our late Brother, S. C. Simmons, as well in his capacity of Comptroller of the Pueblo of San Francisco, during the years 1849 and 1850, under the "Ayuntamiento, or Town Council," as in all his other business relations, was characterized by rigid integrity and gentlemanly demeanor; and in his social intercourse sustained his reputation for strict morality, gentleness and sincerity—qualities which endeared him to all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance—therefore,

Resolved, That by the death of Brother S. C. Simmons, our fellow citizens of San Francisco have sustained a loss not easily to be repaired, and this Society have been deprived of one of its most valuable, influential, and dignified members.

Resolved, That the Society of California Pioneers express to the relations and friends of the deceased our condolence for their grief, occasioned by this sad bereavement.

The following named gentlemen were declared duly elected members of the Society: N. K. Masten, Almarin B. Paul, J. C. Spencer, Edw'd D. Wheeler, A. G. Bradbury, George A. Loyd, Stephen H. Covert, N. W. Knowlton, C. F. Fargo, Leander Van Orden, Jos. W. Drew, Leon Charnaux. The meeting then adjourned.

FURTHER DISASTERS.—The sea, outside the Heads and on the bar at the entrance of the Golden Gate, continued very heavy all day yesterday, and as there was not wind enough to give vessels a fair headway, a number of serious accidents occurred, in addition to the loss of the *Ann Parry*.

The brig *Tanner*, in coming over the bar on Tuesday night, shipped a heavy sea, which stove part of her stern and set her leaking.

The *Sunny South* also shipped a very heavy sea, but was less injured.

The ship *Rose Standish* and Italian ship *Rey de Italia*, both bound for Port Angelos, collided outside the Bar. The *Rose Standish* lost her fore-top-gallant yard, jibboom and bulwarks stove. The *Rey de Italia* had part of her stern stove; unshipped her rudder, broke her main yard and received other damage. Both ships will return to port for repairs. The steamer *Constitution* was lying off and on with the *Rey de Italia* up to six P. M. last evening. The anchor of the *Italia* was reported dragging at nightfall, and it was greatly feared that the vessel would go ashore before morning.

The pilot boat *Fanny* shipped several heavy seas; stove in her cabin doors and skylight; stove both her boats, and filled her half full. The boat-keeper was badly injured by being washed off the deck and thrown into the cabin. The steamer *Constitution*, bound for Panama, lay by her some time, in case she should require any assistance. Other particulars will be found in our marine report.

AT a meeting of Magnolia Lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., held Thursday evening, the following officers were installed by G. M., J. A. McClelland and officers of the Grand Lodge, to serve the ensuing term: Julius Samuels, N. G.; Alexander Hoy, V. G.; Hermann Stern, R. S.; Ernst Suskind, Treasurer; Herman Schultz, P. S.; Simon Wolf, R. S. N. G.; John Glasby, L. S. N. G.; Joseph D. Connel, W.; Joseph Lufkin, C.; A. Morgenstern, R. S. V. G.; Charles Bitel, L. S. V. G.; Adolf Kaskel, R.S.S.; William Lyser, L. S. S.; S. Isaac, I. G.; Richard Fox, O. G. The installation of officers being concluded, the retiring N. G., J. Perrault, was the recipient of two handsome silver goblets, the gift of the members of Magnolia Lodge. The presentation speech was made by P. G. W. Van Zandt, in the name of members of the Lodge, in that gentleman's usual happy style. It was responded to in an elegant and neat manner by P. G., J. Perrault.

TEMPLAR LODGE, No. 17, I. O. O. F.—Last evening the following officers were installed by R.·.W.·. Deputy District Grand Master W. R. Satterlee: Wm. Hayes, N. G.; J. D. B. Stillman, V. G.; J. B. Johnson, R. S.; Robt. Cairns, Treasurer, (reelected.) During the ceremonies of installation the Junior P. G. was made the recipient of a magnificent gold-headed cane, bearing the following inscription: "Presented by Templar Lodge, No. 17, I. O. O. F., to Robt. Irwin, N. G." The presentation was made on behalf of the Lodge by P.·.G.·.M.·. Samuel H. Parker, in a neat and appropriate speech.

HORRIBLE BRUTALITY ON SHIPBOARD.—William B. Curtis, mate of the Government supply-brig *Gen. Jessup*, was arrested last evening by officer Glover and P. Daley, on the charge of beating the steward, an East Indian, in the most brutal manner with brass knuckles. The steward, when brought to the Calaboose, was covered with blood from numerous wounds in the head, and presented a shocking appearance. He states that he had not yet recovered from a similar beating received before the vessel entered port, and that such things are common on board the vessel.

SHANGHAING IN OUR HARBOR.—The boy Wood, who was released from the custody of the officers of the ship *Ida Vinyard*, by writ of *habeas corpus*, in the Fourth District Court, yesterday afternoon, stated in Court that three or four other boys who had also been Shanghaied, were then on board the vessel. Whether the statement of the boy is true or otherwise we, of course, do not know, but from the circumstances attending this case we think it advisable for parents whose boys are missing to look into the matter.

INCENDIARISM.—About half-past 10 o'clock last evening an attempt was made to burn a stable belonging to Mr. Hittell, on Carolina street, between Folsom and Harrison streets, by means of rags saturated with turpentine. The building was considerably damaged, but the fire was extinguished by the members of Hibernia Engine Company (now disbanded), Mr. Gallagher (late Foreman of the Company), and special officer Van Ness.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.—The San Francisco Philharmonic Society are busily engaged with their rehearsal for their first instrumental concert, which will probably take place next week. Among other morceaux they will give Mozart's Jupiter Symphony in C, and a work of Beethoven's—both seldom given in our vicinity.

MR. LAWLOR'S BENEFIT AT Maguire's Opera House, last evening, was largely attended, and his personation of Hamlet won frequent and hearty applause. Mr. Lawlor's Hamlet gives evidence of careful study. He reads well without straining for effect, and in an intellectual point of view his embodiment of the character reflects great credit. No young actor, since the days of Edwin Booth, has made an equal success in Hamlet in San Francisco as Mr. Lawlor; and we can only hope the kind encouragement he has received will stimulate him to increase his efforts as an actor. Mr. Wheatleigh, Mr. Anderson and Mesdames Stewart, Jordan and Perry, were excellent in their various *roles*.

MAGUIRE'S OPERA HOUSE.—Mr. Charles Wheatleigh will appear this evening as Bagshot in "The Bull in a China Shop," and as Count Wulfild in the extravaganza of "The Enchanted Forest."

MR. CHAS. WHEATLEIGH, one of the best actors on the American stage, will take his benefit at Maguire's Opera House, on Friday evening. Mrs. Leighton will also appear.

MRS. EMILY JORDAN will take her farewell of the California stage, at Maguire's Opera House, on Saturday evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—Miss Fanny Brown, supported by Mr. Courtaine, will appear this evening in the spectacular drama of "The Lakes of Killarney," and the comedietta of "The Pretty Girls of Stillberg," in both of which pieces she appears to great advantage.

HIPPODROME.—The daring, dashing and exciting arenic acts which are nightly presented at this establishment, give the most unqualified satisfaction. No one visits the Pavilion without feeling that the performances are really worth the praise they have elicited.

SACRED CONCERT.—Manager Maguire announces another Sacred Concert for the night of the 8th.

THE Marysville *Appeal* has entered upon its eleventh volume. It did yeoman service for the Union cause during the last Presidential campaign.

The Bogus "Extra" Case.

The case of the parties charged with getting up and circulating the bogus "EXTRA ALTA AND BULLETIN," which was issued on Saturday, the 24th of December last, came up for hearing in the Police Court at two P. M. yesterday. The first case called was that of Gustavus DeYoung, Charles DeYoung, and Augustus K. Henry, charged with "conspiracy to defraud by false pretences," Lewis Shearer and Mr. Louderback appearing for the prosecution, and Judge Freelon for the defence. The original charge of "misdemeanor by counterfeiting or simulating a trade mark," was withdrawn by the prosecution before the examination. Another charge of "misdemeanor by publishing a false, fraudulent, and simulated telegraphic despatch," under the special act of the Legislature regulating the telegraph, had been made against A. K. Henry, and Judge Freelon moved for its dismissal, before the examination on the charge of conspiracy was begun. He claimed that the venue was not laid in the complaint, and that the "Extra" was so worded that it did not purport to contain matter received by telegraph in any shape, and that the publication of it did not constitute an offence under the law. Judge Shepheard examined the second section of "An Act for the Regulation of the Telegraph," etc., approved April 18, 1862, which is in terms as follows: "If any agent, operator, or employé, in any telegraph office, *or any other person*, shall, knowingly and wilfully, SEND by telegraph to any person or persons any false or forged message purporting to be from such telegraph office, or from any other person; or shall wilfully *deliver, or cause to be delivered*, to any person any such message, *falsely purporting to have been* RECEIVED *by telegraph*, * * * * * the person or persons so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed $1,000, or imprisonment not to exceed one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court,"—and decided to go on with the examination of Henry, under that charge, leaving the charge of conspiracy against all three to be examined subsequently.

Mr. Munson, sworn—I am engaged in the office of Francis Valentine & Co., on Commercial street; the "extra" now in my hands was worked off at that office, but I do not know where the form was made up; the form was brought there on the evening before Christmas, by A. K. Henry, who had made a bargain at about 2 P. M. for the printing of 4,000 copies of a paper; we often do such work for other offices, and I supposed that it came from the office of Towne & Bacon; he agreed to pay $10 for the work; there were several of us in the office when it was being printed, none of us knew, however, what the contents of the paper were; he told me, in advance that it was a "private job," and, he had worked some seven years in the office I did not inquire further, supposing it all right; he took the copies as fast as printed and placed them on the table; I left, to go to dinner, at 5 P. M., before the work was finished, and had not read the "extra" at that time; I am not positive that this is one of the sheets printed on our press at that time, but it looks like it; the form was taken off the press by Henry, immediately after the printing, and removed from the office.

James Moffitt, sworn—Mr. Henry bought paper of me on the 24th of December, and made application for a job of printing, which I refused to do, as he would not tell me what it was.

Wm. R. Yontz, sworn—I am managing operator in the Telegraph Office; no such despatch as this was ever received at the ALTA office; had I not known otherwise, I should have said this purported to be an "Extra" from the ALTA office, containing telegraphic despatches received at our office; I saw Henry in our office, in company with Mr. Munson; he stated that he came there to extract DeYoung, Valentine & Co. from any responsibility, stating that they were not to blame in any shape; I should further state that this "Extra" contains items copied from the ALTA of the morning of December 24th—(some of which I wrote myself)—for the purpose of giving it more the appearance of genuineness; these items were put in after the pretended despatches, apparently for the purpose of filling out the columns, but really to render the fraud more perfect.

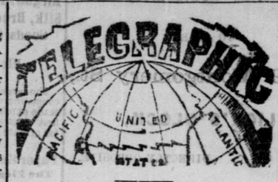
Charles De Young, sworn—I have seen sheets similar to that before me; I can make no statement with regard to Mr. Henry's connection with this matter without criminating myself; I decline answering any questions on the subject.

Mr. Towne, sworn—A portion of the material used in printing this extra was taken from my office; I found that some of the type used in the heading had been taken, and on examination found where it had been employed; I did not know at that time that Henry had the freedom of our office, but subsequently learned that he had been seen in the place about six o'clock in the evening, and that he had a key to the place; he had formerly been employed in our office; some of the quotation marks taken from our office have not yet been returned. But I can pick out a whole line which was used in the "Extra" and brought back; I did not see the matter taken away or returned.

The case was rested at this point by the prosecution, and Judge Shepheard announced that he would give his decision in the case at two P. M. to-day, when the joint charge of conspiracy will be taken up.

COMMISSIONS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR OF NEVADA.—December 19th, Charles H. Hayes, Notary Public, Ormsby county, vice L. C. McKeeby, resigned. December 22d, Milo George, Lieut. Colonel, 1st Cavalry. December 29th, O. C. Pratt, 1st Lieutenant, "National Guards," Virginia City, Storey county. December 29th, Charles G. Hortop, Captain "Sheridan Flying Artillery," Silver City, Lyon county. December 29th, William Ives, 1st Lieutenant "Sheridan Flying Artillery," Silver City, Lyon county. December 29th, Michael Goldsticker, 2d Lieutenant "Sheridan Flying Artillery," Silver City, Lyon county. December 30th, Thomas V. Cummings, Captain "Dayton Guards," Dayton, Lyon county. December 30th, J. E. Sabine, 1st Lieutenant "Dayton Guards," Dayton, Lyon county. December 30th, M. W. Starling, Jr., 2d Lieutenant "Dayton Guards," Dayton, Lyon county.

GOVERNOR LOW has commissioned the following officers: George B. Tolman, Assistant Surgeon, Sixth Regiment Infantry, California Volunteers; James Mohan, Second Lieutenant, Company D, Sixth Infantry Regiment, California Volunteers; Harry M. Raymond, Second Lieutenant, Company A, Sixth Infantry Regiment, California Volunteers.



SHERMAN'S RULE IN SAVANNAH.

The People of that City Desire to Resume their Allegiance.

They Claim the Privileges of the President's Proclamation.

Sherman Preparing for the Field.

More Fortifications in Course of Construction at Charleston.

The Richmond Sentinel Prefers an Alliance with England, France or Spain, to Subjugation.

LATEST DESPATCHES.

Porter's Fleet Safe at Beaufort, N. C.

Sherman to Operate against Charleston.

Hardee Reported Brought to a Stand.

Jeff Davis' Organ is Willing to Abolish Slavery if England and France will Recognize the Confederacy.

The Rebels said to have Passed a Bill to Arm the Slaves as Soldiers.

THE POPE ON THE REBELLION.

Juarez Said to Have Issued Letters of Marque Against French Commerce.

Sherman's Operations.

FORTRESS MONROE, January 2d.—Admiral Porter's fleet is reported at Beaufort, safely anchored, having successfully weathered the storm off Wilmington.

NEW YORK, January 4th.—The supply ship *Massachusetts* arrived last evening at Philadelphia, from Charleston bar the 30th. She reports that the fleet of ironclads had reached Charleston harbor, and were to cooperate with General Sherman in an attack on that city.

It is reported that Hardee had been brought to a stand, and would probably be obliged to surrender.

From Rebeldom.

NEW YORK, January 4th.—The following is the concluding paragraph of a long editorial in the Richmond *Sentinel*, Jeff. Davis' organ: "If France and England will enter into a treaty with these Confederate States, recognizing our nationality, and guaranteeing our independence on the abolition of slavery in all these States, rather than continue the war we should be prepared to urge the measure on our readers. We think such a proposition would be favorably received and acted upon by these nations, and it ought to be made to them."

NEW YORK, January 4.—A special despatch from Washington says advices from Richmond are of such a tenor as to induce belief among certain officials that the rebel Congress has already, in secret session, passed a bill giving Jeff. Davis or General Lee authority to call or order for detail not less than fifty thousand slaves for service in the army as soldiers.

Miscellaneous.

NEW YORK, January 4—The steamer *Costa Rica*, from Aspinwall, the 26th ult., has arrived.

CONCORD, N. H., January 4th.—The Republican State Convention nominated Hon. F. Smith, of Manchester, for Governor, on the first ballot.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Quebec advices say there is trouble in Canada, over the enforcement of the draft for militia-men to serve on the frontiers. The French have refused to serve, and the drafting officers were driven out of several counties. A strong force has been ordered out to put down this insurrection.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Capt. Wise, of the Naval Ordnance Bureau, has already determined to withdraw the one hundred-pounder Parrott from service, and the feeling among naval officers induces the belief that his views will be sustained by the Examining Board and Department.

EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE

Dates to December 25th.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The following is the intelligence received per steamer *Asia*:

The Pope of Rome, in response to a manifeste of the Confederate States, applauds the pacific sentiments expressed therein, and deplores a further continuance of the bloody struggle between the North and the South. He will not fail to avail himself of a favorable opportunity to urge peace.

The *Shipping Gazette* says advices from Nantes confirm the report that Juarez has issued letters of marque to Americans, against French ships, especially against the steamers of the French Transatlantic Company, all the steamers of which, having on board two hundred thousand pounds in specie, are convoyed from Vera Cruz by a French man-of-war.

The *Army and Navy Gazette* ridicules the idea that Sherman was obliged to leave Atlanta.

THE grass is already an inch and a half high on the plain, and will fill up in a short time, and are beginning to get fat. We hear of upwards of 600 acres of cotton to be planted this season. This will tend, if successful, to bring an emigration into the valley, and encourage the dilatory to be up and stirring. Land is changing hands rapidly. This looks well; for those who buy, do so with the determination to go to work. About twenty miles from here a good bed of coal has been discovered, which, on trial, has been found superior to that of Mount Diablo, and within a few hundred yards of the beach, where good anchorage is found.—*Wilmington Journal.*

It seems that a permanent, safe and feasible steamer landing near Anaheim has become a fixed fact; a commodious warehouse, permanent wharf and new and safe lighters have been constructed by the "Anaheim Lighterage Company," for the accommodation of shippers of Anaheim and surrounding country—which is rich in wine, wool and other products of the country. The point above named is the outlet for a large area of country which is now being taken up for agricultural and grazing purposes, with a "change of programme" from that of olden times. The shipment of wine, wool, etc., from the locality above mentioned, in years past, has been quite extensive; it is estimated that the amount of business in that quarter will be increased four fold the coming season. The coast steamer and other vessels from San Francisco now make regular trips to the above port. The attention which this port is now and must necessarily receive in the future, on account of its favorable locality, is wholly attributable to the enterprise of the people of Anaheim; nature placed within their reach a safe moorage for shipping, and industry is doing its part in bringing it into useful and profitable requisition. The "charm is broken;" the stubborn will which has ever retarded the growth and prosperity of Southern California is overshadowed by growing equality. The "good times" of monopolies in California have passed: money can't always rule—the will of the masses is against it, while nature ordains to the same end.—*Los Angeles News.*

YOUNG KLEPTOMANIAC.—Yesterday morning a lady at the Russ House, on K street, hung up her dress in her room, leaving therein a purse containing the sum of $41. Shortly after she went about her work down stairs, and on going to her room at noon, found that some one had given her a call during her absence, and, ransacking her room, had carried off the money and a black belt. Suspicion at once rested on a young girl of scarce twelve years of age, a visitor at the house, who had been engaged in playing with other but smaller children. The services of officers Barrett and Chamberlin were called into requisition, and after a few hours skillful work on their part, the girl acknowledged the crime and passed over to them a $20 gold piece. She had gone shopping with the balance of the money, and had purchased various articles, visiting stores on her travels from J and Seventh streets to K and Third. Two large pound cakes, lace handkerchiefs, doll babies, toys, can oysters, sardines, and any amount of candies and nuts, had been purchased. These articles were returned by the officers to the stores from whence they were procured, the proprietors cheerfully giving back the amount of money paid for them. On account of the youth of the girl, no arrest was made.—*Sacramento Union, 4th.*

SINCE the 10th of March last, 62 indictments have been entered on the books of the Clerk of the Storey county Courts, most of which were caused by the indiscriminate use of deadly weapons.

A DETACHMENT of 122 soldiers from Salt Lake has lately arrived at Camp Union. They have served nearly three years and will be mustered out of service in a few weeks.

A SACRAMENTO paper announces that a letter has been received in that city, to the effect that the Keans will give a series of public readings there before leaving California.

JAMES STARK, a pioneer member of the dramatic profession on the Pacific slope, is playing a brief engagement in Washoe, prior to his departure for the Atlantic States.

JOHN B. GILLHAM, convicted of murder in the second degree in Lander County, Nevada, has been sentenced to State Prison for life.

AN employé of the Midas mill, in Austin, named A. J. Landis, was murderously assaulted by some would-be assassin, a few days ago.

GEORGE BUCKMAN, who was so severely hurt in Freeport, a few days since, died on the first instant.

A DIVIDEND of $24 per foot was declared by the Belcher Mining Company, on the last day of the year—the first since August last.

STAGING through the Napa and Sonoma Valleys has lately been rough.

BY STATE TELEGRAPH.

From the North.

YREKA, January 4th.—A man named C. M. Kidder was injured by a bank of earth caving in on him yesterday, on Humbug Creek, and both hips were broken.

The weather seems to be settling to-day. It is clear, and colder than usual.

The Nevada Legislature.

CARSON, January 4.—The Governor has approved of the new Bond bill.

The Legislative Fund bill ($90,000) has passed the Senate.

A bill for the appointment of a Sealer of Weights and Measures for Storey county was introduced in the House.

The State Printer's bill also passed.

Notice was given to extend the time for the collection of taxes in Douglas and Storey counties, and to punish contempts and trespasses.

Weather Report.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 4, 9 A. M.—Weather cloudy, with dense fog; calm; thermometer, 50°.

STRAWBERRY, 9 A. M.—Weather clear and cool; roads below in bad condition; stages are making good time.

VIRGINIA CITY, 11 A. M.—Weather cloudy, with wind from the southwest; thermometer 44°.

SALT LAKE CITY, 9 A. M.—Weather clear and pleasant, with wind from the east; thermometer 45°.

MARYSVILLE, 9 A. M.—Weather foggy, with no wind; thermometer 40°.

DUTCH FLAT, 9 A. M.—Weather colder; roads are growing better.

YREKA, 10 A. M.—Weather clear; no wind; thermometer 30°.

SAN JOSE, 9 A. M.—Weather foggy, with no wind; thermometer 54°.

SOUTH SAN JUAN, 9 A. M.—Weather clear and cool; wind from the west.

SANTA CRUZ, 9 A. M.—Clearigg wind from the north; thermometer 50°.

PORTLAND, Jan. 3, 9 A. M.—Weather misty, having rained during the night before; thermometer 66°.

STATE OF THE OPHIR MINE.—Our readers will remember that we mentioned the fact, a day or two since, of another rush of water having occurred; at the Ophir mine, by which the main shaft was filled to the depth of 160 feet, or to the sixth gallery. We yesterday visited the mine for the purpose of seeing what progress was being made towards freeing the shaft of this large amount of water. We found the pump going and preparations being made for hoisting water with some large buckets or tanks. A considerable quantity of water can doubtless be raised by means of these tanks when completed and put in operation, but with both the pump and these the work of freeing the shaft must be a very discouraging and almost endless task. One might almost as well undertake to bail out Washoe Lake with a frying-pan. In the first place, the machinery is altogether inadequate to the work with which it is tasked. The main driving-wheel of the pump is too light to sustain the strain which the working of the pump-shaft brings upon it. The face of the wheel is but about six inches in width, and every cog would soon be crushed out of it but for its being held squarely to its work by friction-rollers placed against either side at the point of contact with the smaller wheel into which it is geared. The pump used is a small one with but 26 inches stroke, and when worked up to its utmost capacity cannot raise a very large amount of water. The machinery has been crowded day and night ever since the present influx of water, and yesterday the water had only been reduced about thirteen feet in the shaft. This might be considered somewhat encouraging, could the company be certain that the work of freeing the shaft would continue in the same ratio. But this is very uncertain. This morning there may again be 160 feet of water in the shaft. The water may be lowered two or three feet, when there will be a sudden increase, and then the water will at once rise five to eight feet in the shaft, in spite of the pump. This occurred several times. With the present inefficient machinery there is no certainty that the shaft will ever be drained, and, if freed from water and the work of drifting and tunneling recommenced, before another twenty feet another body of water may be tapped, and the workmen again driven from the mine. Working as they are, the company are making the further development of their mine a long drawn agony. They have here in the valley, over their ears, a powerful engine, a large pump—10-inch bore and 6-feet stroke—with all other needed apparatus; yet, instead of setting up this machinery, they continue to work through the shaft of the Central Company, using the small engine and inefficient apparatus of the company. By sinking upon one of their own shafts and setting up their own fine and powerful machinery, they would be able to go ahead steadily with the opening of their mine, in spite of water. As the company are working now, it looks a good deal like "saving at the spiggot and losing at the bung." The Ophir is one of the best mines in the State, and we should like to see the company put up machinery proportionate in efficiency to the value of their property. Once this is done, we shall soon see the mine yielding its millions, as of old.—*Territorial Enterprise, 23th.*

THE LIVE STOCK ON WHEELS.—For several months a line of fast freight wagons has been run between our principal places and Sacramento, says the Carson *Post*. These conveyances are run at a rate of speed quite equalling that of the mail and passenger coaches. The advantage of running freight very rapidly is great among our citizens; but the wagons, which have high boxes, have been put to a purpose not at first intended. We might say that the live stock business has been added to the freight business; for, on returning to California, the wagons carry passengers. Thousands of persons who wish to leave this delightful country, go in the big wagons, pay less than stage fare, and ride as comfortably. On coming in from Virginia, sometimes, some of these wagons are packed with people, their heads only being visible. In fact, the boxes are so high and some people are so short, that not more than half the heads reach up enough to be distinguishable, unless you gain an eminence and look down. Going to California by the fast freight line is becoming far more common and fashionable than going below in a hand-barrow. The means is certainly a great relief—a benefit to the poor who are not ashamed to acknowledge their poverty, and are deeply set in the opinion that they could not do a more honorable piece of work than that of going to California as freight. Perhaps they couldn't—perhaps they are deluded, and may be they'll come back. We judge not for any man's good, but sometimes we feel that a bird of passage, even though he be flying as fast freight; nay, moving as "slow freight," nay again—toiling afoot, is a lucky bird!

IN Austin, a short time ago, an experiment was made for the purpose of ascertaining the relative value of the Humboldt and Smoky Valley salt, for chlorinizing silver ore in roasting furnaces. An equal quantity of each salt was mixed with equal quantities of ore of like richness in silver, and were roasted in separate ovens, and treated alike in tue pans; and the result was there could be no difference found in the product, either as to quantity or quality—showing thereby that the prejudice existing against the Smoky Valley salt is without foundation in fact. The trial was conducted under the supervision of Mr. O. Jennings, one of the most careful and skillful assayers of this city, and of its correctness there can be no doubt. When the Mill Company were convinced that the salt furnished so cheaply by the Smoky Valley Company, was equal to the high priced Humboldt article, they felt as if they had found a new mine of wealth. In a very close assay, there is a slight difference found between the salt from the two fields, but in practical working the difference is not perceptible.

THE *Union* says that the Central Pacific Railroad Company drew from the State Treasury on the 3d inst., $51,555 interest on the railroad bonds for the payment of the interest on which the State became responsible by legislative enactment. This amount is the interest on all the bonds except twenty-seven, which the company had parted with.

B. B. REDDING has been appointed by the Governor a Trustee of the State Library, *vice* Dr. J. F. Morse, of this city, resigned.

—A popular music teacher in East Boston has eloped with a beautiful girl of seventeen, both members of the same church choir. The man has left behind him a wife and child.

—Why is the devil a gentleman? Because the imp of darkness could not be imp-o lite.—*Boatswain's Whistle.*

—The Richmond papers say that city is but a shell—the Kernel is gone.

—Deep "scollops" are fashionable.—*N. Y. Fashions.*

—The dying milkman renounces the Pumps and Vanities of this life.—*Ex.*

—Parisians are going crazy from experimenting with "hashish."

—Prentice asks where in France are there the most babes? At Brest.

—The rebel army is in want of soap. No wonder—their cause is dirty.

—The Paris papers already begin to talk of the Prince Imperial as Napoleon IV.

—The Appenines are tunnelled and the railroad between Florence and Turin open.

—The Sultan of Turkey has just had his portrait painted and likes it.

Song of the Petroleum speculators—"The *oils* of Greece! The *oils* of Greece!"

—Gentlemen's hats are only $175 each in Richmond.

—A French church is to be erected in Chicago.

—The debt of the city of Philadelphia is $11,052,957.

—The salary of the Mayor of Boston has been raised to