

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

The Committee on Health and Police Hold a Meeting.

NEW BOOKS FOR THE RECORDER.

Special Meeting of the Board of Health-Personal Property Tax Collections-New City Hall Commission.

The taxes on personal property are being paid rapidly and the large force of clerks in Tax Collector Kreling's office are kept constantly busy from 9 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night.

HEALTH AND POLICE.

A Move to Change the Location of the City Receiving Hospital.

The Health and Police Committee of the Board of Supervisors held a meeting yesterday morning, all the members being present.

The petition of the California Fertilizing Company for the lease for twenty years of "Market Place," on Channel street, between Fourth and Fifth streets, was refused.

The complaint of property-owners requesting the abatement of a nuisance in the shape of smoke and soot from the chimney of the Cutting Canning Factory, on Harrison street, near Seventh, was referred to the Health Committee to investigate.

Fidelity Lodge, Knights and Ladies of Honor, applied for permission to give a domino party, and the San Francisco Social Club for permission to give a masquerade ball.

Both petitions were granted, much to the disappointment of Supervisor Marton, who entered a most earnest protest against granting permits for Saturday night masquerades.

G. Alstead applied for redress on account of an alleged improper action on the part of a Deputy Pound-Master in loosening the fastenings of his horse and afterwards impounding it.

The Chairman of the committee and with Dr. Pescia were appointed a special committee to ascertain what arrangements, if any, could be made for the transfer of the City Receiving Hospital from its present quarters in the City Prison to a more desirable location.

Another recommendation that all bills for drugs supplied the Alms-house, Industrial School, City Receiving Hospital, House of Correction and County Jail be examined by the druggist of the City and County Hospital was voted down by the committee.

The petition of a number of property owners at the Potrero, asking that scavengers be allowed to fill in the mud flats in that section of the city by dumping their carts therein was not allowed.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

A Discussion on Appropriations and Public Vaccination.

The Board of Health held a special meeting yesterday afternoon, the full Board being present and Mayor Pond in the chair.

The object of the meeting was to consider the method of procuring a new supply of vaccine quills, and also to consider means of providing for the increased demand, so that the monthly appropriations will not again be overdrawn.

Health Officer Meares said he believed the present rate of applicants for vaccination would continue until the 8th of August, when the public schools would open for the autumn term.

At present the average number of applicants at the office of the Board of Health is in excess of 100 per day.

A discussion then ensued upon the urgent necessity of procuring more vaccine quills. All the members were in favor of purchasing an additional quantity at once, but the fact of the monthly appropriations being already overdrawn, in consequence of the extra demands upon the Health Office during the past two months, made the situation somewhat embarrassing.

In response to a query from Mayor Pond, the Secretary stated that the annual appropriation of \$5,000 only allowed for the expenditure of \$416 66, whereas the disbursements for July thus far were \$639 05, making a deficiency of \$222 39.

Drs. McCarthy and Perry were appointed a special committee to wait upon the Board of Supervisors and ask them to make an appropriation to cover the deficiency for the present month, and also to provide an additional appropriation of \$400 to provide for the extra expenses of the coming month.

Dr. Perry stated that the allowance of \$5,000 per annum was far too small for the purpose of a baggage room. In 1883 it was \$10,000, in 1884 \$7,000, in 1885 \$7,000, and in 1886 and 1887 but \$5,000. "The present time," said Dr. Perry, "is an emergency where we require about \$750 per month."

Dr. Meares reported that he had visited the Pest House and the eight patients there were all doing well. He believed the disease stamped out.

Dr. Perry thought otherwise, and gave statistics of the slow growth of the disease, covering three years, in New York City. It was on this account he thought vigilance should not be relaxed.

It was suggested that a communication be sent to the Board of Education, asking them to pass a rule requiring every child to present a certificate signed by a physician to the effect that they have had a good, effective vaccination within seven years.

Petitions and Protests.

Among the petitions and protests filed with the Board of Supervisors yesterday were the following:

J. Lakin, asking that he be allowed to add a wooden building to his hotel on Jackson street for the purpose of a baggage room.

W. T. Garratt complains of the condition of the sidewalk on the west side of Fifth street, between Bryant and Brannan, and asks that a suitable walk be provided for the use of pedestrians.

Sarah J. Sanders, who lives at 343 Beale street, complains of the Tax Collector's men compelling to take her name off the delinquent tax roll, as the taxes said to be delinquent have in fact been paid. Attached to the petition are the receipts in question.

Property owners on Silver avenue have petitioned the Board to have the avenue paved and put in good condition by utilizing the prisoners in the House of Correction to do the work.

Paving Leavenworth Street.

A number of property owners residing in the block of Leavenworth street, between Sutter and Post, have filed a protest against paving the street with basalt blocks, or any other material, or reconstructing the sidewalks.

They say:

We are ready and willing to repair the street and sidewalks opposite our property in accordance with the requirements of the law.

The petition is signed by Auditor Strother and others representing 377 front feet out of the 500 feet frontage of the block.

The Auditor's Office.

Auditor Strother is busily engaged in closing up the business of the last fiscal year and preparing for the opening of accounts for the coming year. The amount in hand to the credit of the General Fund is \$160,432 60

and \$12,485 transferred from other funds, making a total of \$172,917. This amount, however, will be absorbed by the bills passed by the Board of Supervisors at their last meeting.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

A Contract Awarded, and a Number of Bids Rejected.

The printing committee of the Board of Supervisors met yesterday afternoon. Present, Joost (Chairman), Boyd and Heyer.

The committee opened bids for printing, ruling and binding twenty five mortgage and thirty deed books and twelve blotters for use in the Recorder's office. Bids were as follows: J. R. McIntire, \$223 80; G. H. Clark, \$263 70; Payot, Upham & Co., \$278 30; and Athoff & Bahls, \$290 50.

The contract was awarded to J. B. McIntire as the lowest bidder.

The various bids received for lithographic maps for the Municipal Reports were rejected, and the Secretary was ordered to advertise for new bids, according to new specifications to be prepared by the Committee.

CITY HALL COMMISSIONERS.

The Board of New City Hall Commissioners held a meeting yesterday and passed the July salary demands.

THE SCHOONER "PARALLEL."

Ruling in the Action for Damages Brought Against the Owners.

In Department 2 of the Superior Court, yesterday, Judge Sullivan overruled the demurrer to the answer in the case of R. C. Pearson vs. S. B. Peterson et al.

The complaint recites at length the various facts connected with the loading of the schooner Parallel with dynamite at one of the city wharves and the wreck of the vessel and subsequent explosion on the beach below the Cliff House. Plaintiff claims that his property at the Cliff was damaged to the extent of \$5,000, and he brought suit to recover the amount from the owners of the vessel.

In their answer the defendants deny that the explosion was due to negligence on their part, and among other defenses they plead what is known as the Limit of Liability Act of 1851. To these matters thus set up as a defense, plaintiff demurred, on the ground that they constitute no defense in law to the matters set forth in the complaint.

In his decision, Judge Sullivan states that the statute relied on as exempting the owners from any liability was passed March 3, 1851, and then proceeds to define the liability prior to the passage of this Act, as also the origin of the Act. Reference was made to decisions by the United States Supreme Court construing the statute.

He said that counsel for plaintiff virtually concedes that their conclusions as to the absence of the owner's liability for injuries apply where the injury is fully inflicted on sea. But he questions the application to a case where, as in the present one, the property injured is on land and where, of course, the consumption of the injury is on land.

"As I understand the matter," said the Court, "it is that the defendant is not intended to cover matters peculiarly of maritime or admiralty jurisdiction, and is not by its terms or spirit framed to cover the assertion of a common law right of action for a tort committed on shore."

"On the authority of the cases cited, I am of the opinion," said the Court, "that the matters in dispute in this case are not maritime matters, and that the demurrer to the answer should be overruled."

FLOAT AND ASHORE.

Ships Waiting for Crews—A Sailor Drowned—Other Items.

A new landing is to be built at Bixby's Landing, fifteen miles north of Point Pinos.

The Captain of the schooner Del Norte, which passed within 200 yards of the new lighthouse building at Point St. George, reports that the foundation is up several feet.

The Chilean bark Estrella was released from quarantine late Thursday evening.

The ship Glory of the Seas is in port. Although her registered tonnage is 2,000 tons, she had a cargo of 3,625 tons of coal and drew twenty-seven feet of water.

The tonnage market is remarkably firm, quotations being 30 shillings for iron and 27 shillings 6 pence per ton for wooden ships to Cork for orders. It is thought that these figures will not advance materially.

At present there is a small margin left to owners of deep water ships after paying the running expenses. Coming this way from Liverpool rates from 18 to 20 shillings, from Cardiff 20 shillings, and from Australia 15 shillings. About 12,000 tons are due, and nearly 15,000 tons on the coast disengaged, besides the 58,702 tons lying idle in this port.

The British bark Altonby is unloading cement at Mission No. 2. She is the center of attraction at once, but the fact of the crew who express astonishment at her lengthy passage of 213 days.

There are forty-seven British vessels in the harbor at present. Of these twenty are under charter and ten are in the stream waiting for men. Those detained for want of sailors are the Glenogier, Denick, Turkish Isles, Crown of Denmark, Despatch, Casparyard, Soudan, Tansania and Turkistan.

THE DIVORCE RECORD.

Impriisoned for Non-Payment of Alimony—Divorces Granted.

Judge Levy has granted Alice Murray a divorce from John F. Murray, on the ground of cruelty, and the custody of the minor child has been awarded to the mother.

On the 26th of last April Judge Levy ordered the defendant in the case of Damiana Espinosa vs. J. Espinosa to pay alimony to the plaintiff, and he failed to do so, except the sum of \$10. Yesterday the Court ordered him imprisoned in the County Jail until he complies with the order.

The evidence in the case of Maggie O'Donnell vs. William O'Donnell has been submitted to Judge Maguire and taken under advisement. Defaults of defendants have been entered by order of Judge Levy, in the cases of Thomas C. Miller vs. W. S. Miller, and Kate Timlin vs. Jasper J. Timlin.

Judge Maguire has ordered the defendant in the case of Marshall vs. Frank Marshall to pay plaintiff \$25 per month alimony, on and after August 1st.

Judge Sullivan has granted Mary Jane Bowley a divorce from Samuel C. Bowley, on the ground of the husband's extreme cruelty.

Historic Lectures.

Major George A. Crall, Adjutant of James A. Garfield Post, No. 34, G. A. R., is delivering hourly lectures on the platform of the new hall, commencing Monday evening, at 7 o'clock, on the subject of Vicksburg, and after this week will be joined by Captain L. Hudson, of New York, whose battery is seen engaged on the right of the entrance, and who remembers much of the many things which the artists have represented and a number of other facts whose interest is other than artistic.

Killed by a Fall.

Henry Chapman, a laborer employed at the Union Iron Works, fell from the shed at the shipyard about noon yesterday and was killed instantly. He fell a distance of fifty feet and his left arm was crushed and he received internal injuries. Chapman lived on the corner of Twenty-seventh and Alameda streets, where he leaves a wife and three children. His body was taken to the Morgue.

Chinese Landed.

Judge Hoffman yesterday occupied the entire day in examining the cases of Chinese refused a landing by the Customs officials, the examinations resulting in the discharge of twenty-five. In the Circuit Court Judge Sawyer discharged four. During the day eighteen detained Chinese were brought into Court on writs of habeas corpus.

THE EASTERN SHORE.

News From Berkeley, Alameda, Oakland and Environs.

PROFESSOR HOLDEN'S SUCCESSOR.

Oaklanders Anxious for Office—A Twelve-year-old Thief—A Ten-year-old Criminal Recaptured—Chinese Lotteries Flourishing.

Berkeley.

Rev. C. McKelvey, of Grass Valley, intends to reside in Berkeley.

The case of H. P. Berryman against Brotherhood has been decided in favor of the defendant.

The work of repairing the bridge at Shattuck avenue and Adeline street has been completed.

Judge R. C. Lloyd's little daughter broke her collar bone by falling down the bannisters yesterday.

An Internal Revenue Inspector is visiting Berkeley for the purpose of inspecting the license business.

Last Thursday evening Mrs. Dean, of West Berkeley, was the recipient of a surprise party. A very enjoyable evening was passed.

Rev. Hobart Chetwood, of Oakland, has presented the Church of the Good Shepherd at Berkeley with a magnificent reading-desk and stall.

The members of the Fire Company will join the Berkeley Company in a grand entertainment, to be given one evening in Berkeley and one evening in West Berkeley.

Berkeley is excited over the rumor that a saloon is to be opened in the Weiner Block. Several citizens state that they will apply to the University and the School liquor laws.

A Berkeley paper speaks of City Superintendent of Schools Campbell as a possible successor to President Holden. The many friends of Professor Soule, of the State University, are urging him to become a candidate for the position.

In reply to an ALTA reporter's question yesterday, Mr. Soule stated that he did not seek the position. He seemed to be in favor of Mr. Welcker.

The public schools will open next Monday. The various grades have been assigned as follows: High School, T. W. McLean and A. C. Edwards; first and second grades, S. T. French; third grade, H. Lumbard; fourth grade, H. M. Gompertz; fifth grade, A. F. Keeler; sixth grade, N. D. Dibble; seventh grade, J. H. Miller; eighth grade, Mrs. C. P. Sprague; seventh and eighth grades at Rose-street School, Mrs. N. F. Norman.

Alameda.

Owing to the cold weather the baths are almost deserted.

Mrs. G. Cohen will be tried again next Tuesday on the charge of battery.

The artesian wells recently bored in Alameda have proved very successful.

The first arrest under the ordinance regulating public laundries was made yesterday. A Mongolian, named Jim Sing, was scooped for washing clothes in his laundry after 10 o'clock in the evening.

Oakland.

Every evening there is ball playing on Clinton square, East Oakland.

Flora H. Harting has brought suit for divorce against George C. Harting.

The jute mills in East Oakland are employing a large number of new hands.

To-morrow morning Robert Collyer will preach a sermon at Hamilton Hall.

The Auditing Committee of the Board of Supervisors are busy in auditing bills.

The Fifth Infantry Regiment Band rendered some excellent music at the City Hall Park last evening.

The work of excavation is progressing on Broadway where the new St. Mary's College will be built.

The Hall Safe and Lock Company yesterday filed a complaint against W. and A. Long to recover \$100.

Mary A. Higgins yesterday brought suit for a divorce against James Higgins, on the ground of cruelty.

The funeral of Miss Mattie Norvell took place from the residence of her uncle, J. J. Valentine, in East Oakland yesterday.

Last night at Germania Hall a pleasant musical, literary and social entertainment was given by Teutonia Rebekah Degree Lodge.

There is no hope of the recovery of Frank Atkinson who was shot by Bonjour. He still refuses to make any statement relative to the shooting.

In Judge Ogden's Court yesterday, Walter Reeves, aged 12 years, pleaded guilty to a charge of petit larceny. The lad will be sentenced this morning.

In the Police Court yesterday a Mongolian was found guilty of selling lottery tickets.

The Chinese lottery games in Oakland are every night.

Rev. Mr. Hobart of Los Gatos has been appointed by the First Baptist Church as assistant pastor to Rev. Dr. Gray, who has withdrawn his resignation.

The engine, tender and six cars of the freight train from Hayward ran off the track Thursday night at the station in Brooklyn. There was very little damage and no person was injured.

Thomas Mack, eighteen years old, fell off the narrow-gauge train at 6:30 last evening and was severely injured. He was taken to the residence of his parents on Second street, near Webster.

Joseph Springer, who left the City Prison in November last, without serving out the sixty days remaining on his sentence, was captured in San Francisco yesterday and brought to the Oakland City Prison.

Jesse Case, 10 years old, who escaped from the City Prison a few days ago, was pounced upon yesterday by Detectives Shorey and Holland and lodged in jail. The lad is serving a sentence for a minor offense.

Last evening the Young Men's Christian Association held their regular monthly entertainment at their rooms, 865 Broadway. A very interesting part of the programme was a military drill by the Temperance Cadets of East Oakland.

It is understood that J. J. Pennyhaecker will be appointed City Wharvinger at the next meeting of the City Council. There are several candidates for the office of Captain of Police. No change will be made for the present, unless Captain Thomas sees fit to resign.

The Aeme Club gave a very interesting exhibition Thursday evening at College Hall, which was crowded. Fred M. Campbell, President of the Club, was master of ceremonies, and Professor Watson of the Olympic Club of San Francisco was the referee.

Articles of incorporation of the De Maly Club, composed of colored citizens, were filed yesterday. It is an amusement club. The capital stock is \$5,000, of which \$1,000 is subscribed by the Directors, E. H. Morris, G. E. Washington, H. S. Morris, J. Blackson and Wm. Glenn.

The funeral of Mrs. Veronica McFadden, wife of Mr. McFadden, daughter of Mrs. J. M. Driscoll, took place yesterday morning from St. Francis de Sales Church. A solemn requiem high mass was celebrated. The celebrants were Rev. Father Mcweeney, Deacon; Rev. W. Cummings, Sub-Deacon; Rev. Father Lally, of Temescal, and Master Tommonies, Rev. Father Coyle. A large number of clergymen from different parts of the State were at the altar. Bishop O'Connell delivered an eloquent address on the virtuous life and happy death of the deceased lady. The funeral was largely attended. An account of Mrs. McFadden's death was published a few days ago in the ALTA.

A Cashier's Creditors.

R. D. Shepherd, who recently resigned his position as cashier of the Naval Office, and disappeared, is said to have left a large number of creditors in mourning. Shepherd is said to have gone to the mines.

A DOUBTFUL STORY.

Disbelief in the Alleged Suicide Boat Sailed.

Escaped From Mendocino.

Bismarck News-From was lodged at the City Prison last night, en route to Mendocino County, to complete an unexpired sentence.

THE CITY.

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The State Board of Horticulture will move into its new quarters, 220 Sutter street, next Monday.

Charles Goodman, the seven-year-old negro boy arrested upon the warrant of Mrs. Roller for battery, was dismissed yesterday.

Joseph Dalton, a plumber, fell from a house on Willow avenue, while he was working yesterday morning, and broke his left ankle.

The preliminary examination of William Oberst, who shot and fatally wounded John McLaughlin, was continued yesterday until Monday.

J. Macdonough, owner of the property No. 105 Taylor street, has brought suit against L. N. Choyanski to recover \$75, rent of the premises.

The feast of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus, will be celebrated by the Jesuit fathers at St. Ignatius Church, on Hayes street, to-morrow.

P. J. Hawkins was arrested yesterday on a charge of malicious mischief. He is accused of having torn down bill boards belonging to Dupuy & Co., rival bill posters.

A remittent was received from the Supreme Court yesterday affirming the sentence of thirty days' imprisonment imposed upon Jennie Perkins for keeping an opium den.

The charge of burglary against Eugene Honthal, arrested for stealing clothes from a lodging-house, was dismissed in Police Court, No. 2, yesterday, as it could not be proved that he took the garments.

The Herald of Trade Publishing Company filed articles of incorporation yesterday. The capital is \$50,000, and the Directors are B. N. Bowley, G. Wild, Henry Eckhoff, B. F. Jacobs and J. Federlein.

Sergeant Thompson and posse raided a Chinese lottery place on Ashburton Place yesterday. The officers gained an entrance by cutting through the roof. Two Chinese, three whites and a lottery layout were captured.

Judge Maguire has rendered judgment in favor of W. T. Y. Schneck and against the Directors of the Pittsburg Mining Company for \$1,000, because of the failure of the Directors to render monthly statements of the financial affairs of the company.

The tug Sea Lion will make another trip to the Cordell fishing banks to-morrow morning under the management of L. L. Wright, leaving Washington street wharf at 1:30 A. M., returning about 10 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The excursion on last Thursday was a very successful one, some of the party catching 500 pounds.

Gus Cohen was locked up at the City Prison yesterday for drunkenness. Soon after Detectives Harper and Bee recognized him as a petty thief who had escaped from the Alameda County Jail while serving a six months' sentence. The officers then booked Cohen en route to Oakland.

A gentleman named Henderson, who recently arrived from the East with his wife and two children, suddenly dropped dead from a paralytic stroke as he was entering his boarding house at 407 Leavenworth street at 10 o'clock last evening. He was a man of about fifty-five years of age, and up to the moment of his death was apparently enjoying the best of health.

Your instructions to the Secretary of this Board, explaining the position the Board occupies in regard to the employment of assistant counsel in the test case of the Pure Wine law, to be argued on the 1st of August, are hereby accepted with pleasure and regret, and I shall take the earliest possible opportunity to discharge the public mind of such an impression.

GRAND ARMY TOURISTS.

Time Limits and Other Information for the Western States Passenger Association.

The Western States Passenger Association, governing rates in the Missouri River territory, have fixed the limit of issuing tickets for the Missouri River points so that the tickets are sold "from and including September 24th to and including September 27th going, coupons to be limited until September 28th, with limit of ten days from date of sale for returning passage; provided, an arrangement shall be made to enable the Chairman of Transportation, G. A. R. (on certificate signed by himself), to procure for G. A. R. members through the general agents of terminal lines in St. Louis an extension of time for such members, as desired to take extended trips either west or south of St. Louis, the extreme limit of such extension not to exceed October 31st, such extension to be made within the limits of the ticket.

It will be seen that those going to the engagement must be in St. Louis by the 28th of September, and such tickets must be sold in California within the time fixed by that association, making allowance only for the difference in distance to the Missouri River, so that passengers may receive their tickets between the 24th and 28th of September, inclusive.

Mortality Report.

For the week ending July 29, 1887: Total deaths, 97—male 58, female 39. Total deaths for corresponding week last year, 99.

Nativities—Pacific Coast, 38; other States, 8; foreign countries, 47; unascertained, 4. Race—Caucasian, 86; Mongolian, 11.

Age—Under one year, 23; from one to two, 3; two to five, 4; five to ten, 4; ten to fifteen, 3; fifteen to twenty, 1; twenty to thirty, 3; thirty to forty, 12; forty to fifty, 12; fifty to sixty, 11; sixty to seventy, 8; seventy to eighty, 6; eighty to ninety, 4; ninety to one hundred, 1; over one hundred, 1.

Deaths in public institutions, 22; casualties, 5; suicides, 1; homicides, 1; casualties, 5; convulsions, 3; diphtheria, 5; enteritis, 4; heart disease, 4; inanition, 6; old age, 3; paralysis, 3; phthisis, 12; pneumonia, 7.

Burglary, Larceny and Vagrancy.

George Murray was arrested by Officer Horigan yesterday afternoon and locked up at the Southern Station on charges of petty larceny and vagrancy. Last night Horigan learned that Murray had been implicated in the robbery of a Harris' tailor shop, on Third street, near Harrison, about two weeks ago, and placed an additional charge of burglary against him.

A Murderous Opium Fiend.

Policemen Parrott and Kennedy raided an opium place on Pacific street last night, and arrested three Chinese. Ah Sin, the proprietor of the place, drew a knife and made an assault on the officers. The latter caused an additional charge of an assault with a deadly weapon to be recorded against him.

A BUILDING PICNIC.

Alameda's New Turn Verein Hall to Be Built in a Day.

There will be a novel building affair in Alameda to-morrow. A new Turn Verein Society has been organized in that town, but the Society is without a hall or the means to build one.

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