

## THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

A CONDENSED COMPILATION OF CURRENT EVENTS.

**Important News of All Kinds Boiled Down and Arranged for Busy People. All Superfluous Words Removed and the Essence of the News Preserved.**

Over 6,000 people are employed in the boyards of Sonoma county.

The grand council of the Young Men's Institute of California held its annual session at Marysville.

Ormonde, the \$150,000 stallion, the property of Mr. McDonough, has arrived safely at Menlo Park.

The Pioneers' society of San Francisco has adopted resolutions condemning H. H. Bancroft's History of California.

Seattle Parlor No 1, Native Sons of California, celebrated Admission day at Seattle with a grand banquet.

The Breckinridge-Pollard breach of promise suit at Washington will probably never go into court. A settlement is reported to have been reached.

Chris Buckley, the famous blind politician of San Francisco, with his wife and child, has arrived at Boston from England. After a short stay in that city he will come to San Francisco.

The California state fair opened Monday at Sacramento. The attendance was unusually large. The fair is said to surpass all its predecessors in every particular.

Governor Markham has offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of George Clark, alias James Barrett, the ex-convict who murdered Special Officer Charles W. Wetzel at Sacramento.

United States District Attorney Denis of Los Angeles has received information from Secretary Carlisle and Attorney General Olney that the government has no funds with which to deport Chinese convicted under the Geary law.

Henry Irving and Ellen Terry opened their American season at San Francisco. A tremendous crowd attended the first night. Mr. Irving and Miss Terry received a flattering reception from both the audience and the critics.

Dr. Johnson, who analyzed the contents of the stomach of the late John Martin of Weaverville, Cal., reports that no poison was found in the viscera. It was generally reported that Mrs. Martin had poisoned her husband.

Gamblers who expected to make a stake at the state fair at Sacramento, are sorely disappointed. The managers of the fair have shut down on all games prohibited by the penal code. Sheriff O'Neill has prevented the games being run in the city and the sports are disgusted.

At the Pan-American Medical congress at Washington Ernest Hart, editor of the British Medical Journal, delivered an address on the ethics of the medical profession, in which he classed the homeopaths with quacks and as men not to be recognized as doctors or to be consulted with.

Governor Markham of California has sent a dispatch to Secretary Gresham complaining that the Geary law has not been enforced, and says he cannot be held responsible for what may happen if there is much longer delay. "The fact it has not been enforced by those in authority furnishes an excuse for those lawlessly inclined to break the laws of our own state, and that, too, with the sanction of many of our citizens."

Saturday, Sept. 9, was California's day at the World's Fair, and the attendance was over 230,000. In comparison with the celebration days of other states at the fair this number has been exceeded only by that of Illinois. Large quantities of California fruit were given

away on the occasion. The address was delivered the address of welcome, and Senator White, as orator of the day, made a speech, giving a sketch of the history of California.

The first license to mine by the hydraulic process under the Caminetti law has been signed by the United States debris commissioners of California, and from now on the Eureka Lake and Yuba Canal company can begin taking out gold from their mine in Nevada county. This is the first contested case that has come before the commissioners, and powerful argument was brought to bear by the anti-debris association against granting the license.

The new Cunard Atlantic liner, the Lucania, has arrived at New York, having made the fastest maiden voyage across the Atlantic on record. This new giantess is 620 feet 6 inches long over all, 43 feet deep to the upper deck, and has a gross tonnage of 12,950. Her horsepower is 30,000. Each of the funnels is 160 feet high and 19 feet in diameter, and, gigantic as are the engines, every one of the boilers, the engineers say, could be packed into one of those stacks. The lifeboats would make a fleet, and the life-preservers stowed in different parts of the ship would keep a regiment from drowning. There is a banquet hall where 430 can sit down to dinner.

Monday last was celebrated by the workmen throughout the country. Labor Day exercises and parade were held. The unemployed in the cities paraded in large numbers. Governor Altgeld addressed the workmen at Chicago. Referring to the present industrial and commercial depression, he said: "You are not responsible for this condition. The men here and in Europe who call themselves statesmen have inaugurated policies of which this is the natural result. Considering the increase in population, the increase in industries and the commercial activity of the world, as well as the increased area over which business is done, there has been in recent years a practical reduction in the volume of the money of the world from 33 to 40 per cent, and there had to follow of necessity a shrinkage in the value of property to a corresponding extent. Combination and concentration are the masters of this age. Let the laborers learn from this and act accordingly."

A dispatch from Adelaide, Australia, states that the government is losing no time in enforcing the provisions of the Chinese restriction act. Vessels from Hongkong and other eastern points are not allowed to carry Chinese only in proportion to the net tonnage instead of gross tonnage, as formerly. A bill is pending in the legislature providing for a restriction act that shall apply to all colored Asiatics.

Three judges of the county court of St. Clair county returned to Kansas City and went back to jail for contempt of the United States court for refusing to order a tax levy to pay a bonded indebtedness to construct a railroad never built. They were released from jail on furlough last spring, pending election to compromise the matter. The proposition was defeated. The judges will remain in jail until 1895, when their sentence will be completed.

The fight against the Chinese has begun at Redlands, but according to law. Deputy United States Marshal Faris arrested seven Chinese on warrants issued by Judge Ross under the Geary law, and five more warrants are out. Laborers from the ranches in the vicinity were selected. These 12 warrants are the first of 170 asked for by the citizens of Redlands. More will be issued as fast as the cases can be tried in the United States courts.

Captain J. B. Adams of Massachusetts has been chosen commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The police at Cleveland, O., had to club the Bohemians, Hungarians and Poles who were preventing laborers from working.

Hamilton Fish, secretary of state under Grant, and one of the greatest statesmen of the century, died suddenly at New York.

Major Muirhead has arrived at Victoria, from England, to superintend the construction of the fortifications at Esquimaux.

Massachusetts Prohibitionists have selected a state ticket upon the usual platform. The Virginia Prohibitionists did the same thing.

The Woman's Board of Missions of the Pacific Coast met at Santa Cruz the other day. The board was organized 20 years ago at Santa Cruz.

Thomas O'Donnell has sued the Oakland and Haywards Electric Railroad company for \$60,000 damages. O'Donnell's 13-year-old son was killed by an electric car.

The raisin-growers, in session at Fresno, decided on the rate to be paid laborers this season. White men will get \$1.25 per day and Chinese \$1. White labor will be given the preference.

The United States troops have been forced to use fires to unearth the "sooners" on the Cherokee Strip. A number have been captured in this way and their names taken.

In the mail race between the American line steamship New York and the White Star line steamship Teutonic, ended at London, the New York won by more than three hours.

At the Sunday-school congress at St. Louis a plan was adopted for the appointment of workers for Japan and southeastern Europe. The next convention will be held in 1898.

The city engineer of San Francisco has submitted plans for a sewage system for the city. He recommends that the supervisors at once provide funds for the work and give work to the unemployed thousands now in this city.

J. A. Rounds, aged 22, the son of a well known citizen of Portland, has been arrested on a charge of attempted blackmail. Young Rounds wrote letters to several prominent society women demanding \$50, and threatened to make public scandals about them.

Midway Plaisance is agog over a story that Miss Jenny Hammond of Bellaire, O., and Abdul Latif, the manager of the Turkish village, have fallen in love and will be married. They first met while the young lady was visiting the fair.

A syndicate, called the Lake Superior Consolidated Iron Mines, has secured control of nine-tenths of all the iron ore production in the United States, with a cash capital of \$20,000,000 and a reserve of \$100,000,000 more in aggregate property.

The Russian Prince Galitzan, who has just arrived at Victoria, B. C., from Japan, will tell the New York Geographical society next month about the religion of an exclusive people he discovered on his travels from Lousseteng to Karakesh.

Henceforth no member of the National Union of Brewery Workers can be a member of the militia of any state, and members of the union now enrolled in the state guard must get out at once, and no member of the citizen soldiery of the country can be admitted to the union.

Two-thirds of the banks which suspended throughout the country during the recent panic have resumed business or will do so shortly. In the great Eastern manufacturing centers workshops and factories are being reopened. Money is getting easier, the premiums on currency in New York has disappeared, and the prospects for a good fall season are improving.

## RECORD OF CRIMES AND ACCIDENTS.

The Sells-Rentfrew circus train was wrecked on the Nevada narrow-gauge near Colfax, Cal. Two men were killed.

The 10-year-old son of H. A. Lammers of Portland was caught in machinery and so seriously injured that he died.

Cashier M. J. Bofferding of the Bank of Minneapolis shot himself dead. It is supposed the deed was the result of brooding over the action of Paying Teller Scheig, who absconded with \$15,000 of the bank's money. Bofferding's accounts are straight.

Samuel Noble, a young man employed in a slaughter-house at Davisville, Cal., fell into a vat of scalding water and was badly burned, the skin slipping from the flesh about his shoulders and back. His injuries are not regarded as fatal, but his agony is something terrible.

## NEWS FROM ABROAD.

Prince Bismarck is very ill at Kissingen.

The Irish home rule bill in the house of lords was defeated by an overwhelming majority—the vote being 419 against the bill and 41 for it.

Gladstone has announced that the government has decided at the close of the debate on supply to adjourn parliament until November.

A party of disbanded troops in Nicaragua captured a convoy of government treasure, killed all the escort and fled with the money—\$180,000—into Honduras.

Active hostilities have begun in German East Africa with the natives. The German forces stormed and captured the fortified camp of the Sultan at Kilimanjaro.

The French government has agreed to call a conference of members of the Latin Union in Paris to decide the question of the nationalization of fractional silver currency.

Work has begun on the finest hotel in the world, on the site of her majesty's theatre, in Haymarket and Pall Mall, London. The site is a magnificent one, and the building is to cost \$5,000,000. It will be built by American capitalists.

A night clerk in a drug store at Chicago was attacked by two men, shot in the mouth and beaten about the head with billies until he became insensible. The men then took the money in the cash register and \$20 from the clerk.

The United States Marine hospital at Port Townsend was destroyed by fire, caused by a defective law. Loss, \$3,500; no insurance. The patients were removed to temporary quarters pending the construction of a new building.

John Stockwell was stabbed in the breast by Dan Sullivan at the San Jose racetrack, and his recovery is doubtful. The two men had come from Sacramento with some horses, and the crime is said to be the result of a drunken quarrel. Sullivan was arrested.

Hall Miller, alias James Miller, son of Joaquin Miller, the poet, was released from San Quentin after serving a term of 18 months for stage robbery in Mendocino county. After leaving the prison he was again arrested and taken to Oregon to serve out his unexpired term. He was serving a sentence of six years for burglary in the Oregon state penitentiary when he escaped.

Advices by the steamer Empress of China state that a Japanese emigration stock company has been organized in Yokohama, which proposes to procure and dispatch to foreign places farmers, artisans and fishermen, who shall remain under the control of the company, and thus promote the welfare and power of the state. The company will purchase desirable land on the Pacific Coast, United States and Canada, and send out emigrants, who shall send their products to Japan to sell on commission.