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SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Katharine Tingley was a witness today in her suit against the Los Angeles Times for alleged libel. In her complaint she made denials of allegations that women inmates of the Loma-Brotherhood institution at Point Loma were abused to the point of death and kept at hard labor; that Mrs. Tingley was an impostor; that insane ceremonies take place; that inmates are kept in guarded cells; that children are kept on the verge of starvation; that she was a practitioner for the insane to go insufficiently clothed and "in their night-robes to a place known as Sacred Ground"; that immoral and improper practices exist; and that the institution is a fake. For the publication of such allegations, the plaintiff asks damages of \$50,000.

When Mrs. Tingley was called she walked to the witness-stand, with the aid of a crutch. She was the "theosophical head" of the Universal Brotherhood, which was her correct title. Asked to deny her sufferings caused by the publications, she answered: "Mentally, with apprehension, with constant insomnia, which greatly impaired my work, and I have not been doing half so much as I had done before."

WELL-KNOWN ACTOR DEAD.

Alfred Bouvier, San Francisco theatrical manager and politician. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Alfred Bouvier, widely known through his connections with theatrical affairs for many years, died here today. For more than a year he had been ill, but only recently his friends had been alarmed by his condition. Mr. Bouvier was known from one end of the country to the other from his theatrical connections. He was manager of the Opera-House, at Denver, and of the Baldwin Theater, at San Francisco, and recently had arranged for the building of a palace theater in San Francisco, which he was to be the manager. It was he who brought across the Continent, during successive seasons, the Grand Opera Company, as well as other large dramatic companies. He was president of the Pacific Transfer Company, and interested in many business affairs, and was a member of the Pacific Union and other clubs. Of a peculiarly gentle and lovable nature, Mr. Bouvier had hosts of friends everywhere. He was also a Republican politician, and was chairman of the Republican county committee two years ago. He was a native of St. Louis, but had been in California many years. A widow survives him.

(Mr. Bouvier is well known in Portland. He came here in 1884 as manager for the "Orpheus and Eurydice" Company, the first comic opera organization to visit this city after the completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad. It included Dicky Bell and Laura Joyce Bell. Mr. Bouvier since that time has often visited Portland.)

WISCONSIN COMING NORTH.

Was Delayed Owing to Arrival of New Commander. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The battleship Wisconsin has sailed for Bremerton navy-yard, to be repaired and overhauled, after which she will be sent to the Asiatic station. A Captain has not yet been appointed to succeed Captain Reiter. The executive officer is taking her to Bremerton. The United States cruiser, which will sail for Santa Barbara today, she will return to this port in about three weeks. It is stated at the Navy Department that the delay in the departure of the battleship Wisconsin from San Francisco for the Puget Sound naval station at Bremerton, Wash., where she is to be fitted out for service on the Asiatic station, was in order to permit the fitting of her new commander, Captain B. H. McCalla, who was ordered from Washington for the duty.

Cable Ship Has Good Weather.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The Associated Press has received the following cablegram from its correspondent on board the cable-ship Silverton, dated at "Position at noon today, latitude 23 14 north, longitude 122 50 west. Since noon yesterday 267 knots of cable have been laid, making the total laid 662 knots. The weather is good, and the ship's speed eight knots."

Wisconsin Held in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Orders from Washington, which would have taken the battleship Wisconsin to the Puget Sound for the Bremerton docks on Puget Sound, have been canceled, and Lieutenant-Commander Mayo, temporarily in command, awaits further instructions from the Navy Department.

Refuge Transfer of Chinese Crew.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Collector of San Francisco has stated that under instructions received from Commissioner of Immigration Sargent he will refuse to permit the transfer of the Chinese crew now on board the steamer Arab to the Danish steamer Stanley Dollar, formerly the transport Egbert.

Married Aboard a Battle-Ship.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 18.—Paymaster Hagner, of the training-ship Adams, and Miss Helen Ray, of Washington, D. C., were married on board the Adams yesterday. Mrs. Hagner is a daughter of the late Commander Ray, U. S. N.

Brainard Quietly Married.

BERKELEY, Cal., Dec. 18.—James W. Brainard, of Pittsburg, assistant manager of the Carnegie Company, has been quietly married to Miss Beatrice F. Adams, of Cleveland, O., at the home of the groom's parents in this city.

CASE GOES TO JURY.

Attorneys Finish Argument in Perjury Trial at Chehalis. CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—In the Ferris case, the attorneys finished their arguments this evening and the case will be taken to the jury in the morning. W. Ferris is charged with assault with intent to kill R. H. Holcomb. The trial began in the Superior Court before Judge O. V. Linn, Monday. A special venire was issued for 24 jurors, and from this the regular panel of jury was selected Tuesday, both sides exhausting all of their peremptory challenges.

Annual Angora Goat Show.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The fourth annual Angora Goat Show for the State of Oregon was held in the Polk County, Or., Wednesday and Thursday, January 14 and 15, 1902, under the auspices of the Polk County Mohair Association. Through a series of petty squabbles in the evening of both days, the show will be given to all prize winners.

GRANTS REQUESTION PAPERS.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Requestion papers were today issued by Governor Geer on Governor Gage, of California, for the return to this state of A. B. Johnson, who is wanted in Harney County for forgery. James E. Lawrence, Sheriff of Harney County, is appointed agent for the state. Johnson is at Ukiah, Mendocino County, Cal. While working for James Paul, in Harney County, Johnson is charged with raising a check from \$5 to \$50.

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