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EARLY DAYS IN CALIFORNIA WHEN **GOLD WAS COMMON DESCRIBED** Mrs. Nina Churchman Larowe Recalls Incidents of Long Trip Across Plains and Tells of Later Joys of Riding by Stage When Every Boy's Ambition Was to Handle Spirited Steeds.

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VOMAN TELLS HOW SHE OVERCAME ADVERSITY. The accompanying article by Mrs. Nina Churchman Larowe, a well-known Portland woman, is the second installment of an autobiography that is of general interest to women. In it Mrs. Larowe contrasts the prosperous surroundings of her early life

Nina Churchman Larowe. you see their names have remained with me through all the years and also the memory of a little pun-ishment I received for going over there one day without leave. It was a

there one day without leave. It was a just one, because my aunt was indul-gent and allowed me to go when asked, but not without permission. There was a partition fence between the two back yards. I had always gone in a ladylike way by the front door, but one day I discovered a break in the partition and crawled theman

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Stewart, Aaron A. Sargent, George Hearst; Attorney-General John R. Mc. Connel. John Garber, Harry J. Thorn-ton and Judge James Churchman (my father), appointed by Lincoln as Con-sul-General to Chile; and many others, all of whom made their mark then and in after years. They did not confine their law prac-tice to Nevada County. So great was their reputation they were wanted all over the state. My father used to be summoned to Sacramento, the capital San Francisco, Downieville, Placerville, Monterey and all the great mining cen-ters. In California in those gold beginning days no poverty existed. Everybody carried a bag of golddust and if lacking coin they paid for what they bought with the dust. Had I not been poverts asseed of parents who were adepts in good discipline, I might have been a apolled child. Today I fervently thank them. According to good old Quaker ideas I was taught very early to bo obedient, and obedience soon became a fixed habit. Especially was I warned not to handle things-to stand and let my eyes do the work.

that poor little walf, myself, away out on the plains with comparative strang-ers, on which portion or where nobody could tell, possibly to be killed by In-dians, perhaps to be a victim of cholera, lost perhaps forever to my parents and daily causing a world of anxious per-turbation and gloomy foreboding. Yet nobody was to blame, the best had been done that was possible, considering the times and conditions then prevailing. Mary Bersense

Immes and conditions then prevailing.
Many Became Famous.
Nevada City and Nevada County were the seat of the richest placer mines in all the state and here were gathered for a long time the most brilliant inw-yers of the day. Glants in intellect, they nearly all became famous. Here they are: Judges Lorenzo Sawyer, who studied with my father; Thomas P. Hawiey, of the United States courts; Supreme Judges Addison Niles, Niles Searles, T. B. McFarland, Frank Dunn, Stephen J. Field; Senators William M. Stewart, Aaron A. Sargent, George Hearst; Attorney-General John R. Mc. Connel, John Garber, Harry J. Thorn-

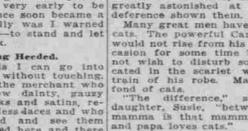
ART POSTER OF STILL LIFE - THE PORTLAND ROSE-OREGON SCENERY - LANDSCAPE - RIVER, OUNTAINSI, AS ALSO IN COMPOSITIONS, POETRY, RHYMES, ESSAYS, PUZZLES, A N IDEA OF YOURS mailed us may send Contest Manager, Schwan Plano Co., 1913, Portland, Or. 1913, Please find inclosed my answer, with ideas requested, subject to the conditions of competition, and I agree to abide by the de-cision of the judges, O. a \$400 Piano or a check for \$50 with a certificate for \$90, for composition, to your home. Signed. Second Prize \$50 Credit Certifi-cate for Hest Drawing. Second Prize \$65 Credit Certificate for Best Composition. Street. R. F. D. State JUDGES — These well-known nuthorities have kindly agreed to act as judges: Miss Eather W. Wuest, Mr. H. F. Wents, Mr. Albert E. Doyle, Mr. C. C. Chapman. All answers must reach Contest Manager before 6 o'clock P. M. June I, at 111 Fourth Street. Ex-hibit June 2 and during Rose Fes-tival Week.

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Ask any boy at that time what he wanted to be when a man and in-variably came the answer, "A stage driver." The stage driver was the word









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Mary thought it was for general use.
She exchanged the gold for whatever she bought.
Banks were scarce and people kept their money wherever they could. It know that our mattresses were lined with it. We used \$50 gold pieces. They were eight-sided and we called them slugs. Actually they had no more value in our eyes than a \$5 gold piece mould today. Men would give children wile the men rounded up the borses and cattle, after which all went to bed to sleep with one eye ever open in fear of indians. One never knew when they might come. Then there was ever the same wakening at daylight to take our weary march again.
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there preparing to go were inter-viewed and at last one having a little girl my age consented to take charge of me, but it took much persuasion.

girl my age consented to take charge of me, but it took much persuasion. Punishment is Recalled. In Bulwer's novel of "Riensi," after whose heroine, Nina, as I have said be fore, I was named, there was a com-panion and loved friend of Nina, Irene. Training the count is first of the count of the strain of the strain

My mother had given me up for good. Nobody thought to break my coming to her, but all the town arrived at the door at once. She heard a loud knocking, there were no bells then,

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weeks occan journey or the long stage-ing across the plains with still danger of Indians. No railroad spanned the the Central Pacific was talked of peo-ple laughed in derision at the imprac-ticability of such a project. Letters weeks to come and postage was

Miss Lois Ladd, of Portland, had no opposition for vice-president. Myrtis Toby, of Eugene, is opposing Helen Currey, of La Grande, for the secretary berth. Booth Langley was unanimously

elected treasurer of the class. Miss Echo June Zahl, of Portland, was nominated for sergeant-at-arms without opposition.

Admiral Jellicoe's signal after he had rel swept the North Sca without seeing e German findt was the shortest signal n record. It read: "No luck."

Girls With Beautiful Faces or Graceful Figures

PROHIBITION WILL ELIMINATE "NEIGHBORHOOD INSPECTORS,"

Washington Until Recently Also Had Post of Wreckmaster to Which Men Were Elected for Joke.

though obsolete, has been held by the Supreme Court to be still in effect. Under its provisions any board of County Commissioners is empowered to appoint a liquor inspector for each "vill-lage or neighborhood" to sample all liquor for sale, the statute specifying that the word liquor should comprehend all "champagnes, wines and ciders." no mention being made of beer, which was not in general use at the time the law was enacted, in 1860. The inspector was authorised to con-

was enacted in 1860. The inspector was authorised to con-demn liquors found impure, and was to receive a fee of 50 cents a barrel for inspecting bulk goods or 12% cents a dozen for inspecting bottled goods. The recent Legislature abolished the leature off was of was to bar of the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, an old femedy

American girls have a world-wide reputation for beauty, but, at the same ime, there are girls in our cities who possess neither beauty of face nor form, because in these instances they suffer from nervousness, the result of disorders of the womanly organism. At regular intervals they suffer so OLYMPIA, Wash, May 29 .- (Special.) much that their strength leaves them; When the Washington prohibition law they are so prostrated that it takes goes into effect January 1 it will have days for them to recover their the effect of wiping from the statute strength. Of course, such periodic disbooks a picturesque territorial law pro- tress has its bad effect on the nervous viding for the appointment of "neigh-borhood liquor inspectors," which the dark circles and crow'sfeet about though obsolete, has been held by the the eyes, the straight figure without