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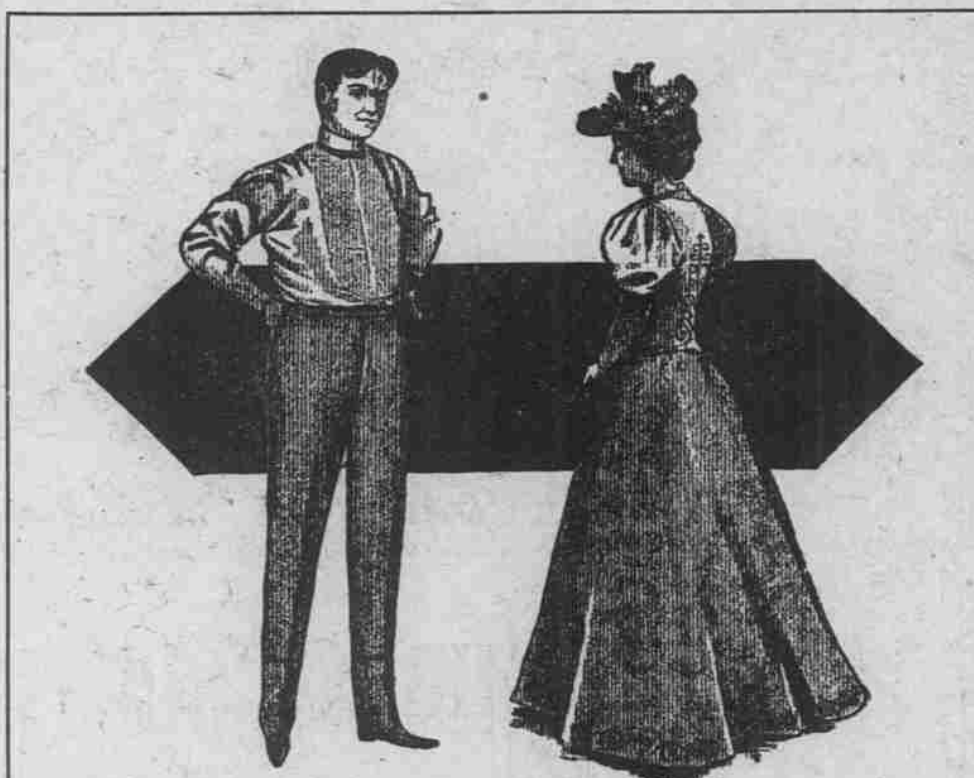
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the last day.

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\$5.00 buys two pair of \$5.00 Pants during this sale, or one pair for \$2.50.

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BALDWIN HOTEL BURNED TO ASHES

Famous San Francisco Hotel Consumed
Wednesday Morning.

FIVE LIVES LOST MANY INJURED

Impossible to Get a Complete List—
Latest Estimates of the Loss Caused
By the Fire Places the Total at
\$1,500,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—At 3:25 this morning the Baldwin hotel caught fire and was entirely destroyed. There were 800 people, guests and employes, in the hotel at the time the fire broke out, and certainly five, probably many more of these people, lost their lives.

The fire is said to have started in the kitchen, located in the basement. It worked its way through a flue to the sixth floor and before the first alarm was sent in the flames had gained great headway. The first alarm was followed by others in rapid succession, until five calls had been sent in, summoning every piece of apparatus at the command of the department.

For years the Baldwin has been re-

garded as the most dangerous firetrap in San Francisco. Built of wood, six stories high, with narrow and tortuous hallways, it is a wonder half the people in the hotel escaped. They were slow to awaken. Many were dazed and stupefied by smoke when the police, firemen, and hotel employes, hurrying through the hallways, kicked open the doors and notified the people of the great danger. When they managed to reach the windows and fire escapes there were no ladders. Many attempted to jump from the windows to the streets, but were warned not to do so by the crowd below. Then the firemen got up ladders and commenced taking people to the ground, rescuing many.

In the interior of the hotel and explosion in the theater caused that portion of the building to cave in. The explosion also extinguished the electric lights throughout the building. There were many people in the upper halls and corridor at that time, and firemen and police were endeavoring to lead them to the Market and Powell-street windows. The entire top floor was then a blazing mass.

Escape By a Rope.

The story of the rope is a thrilling one. For eight years Kate Richardson has been an employe of the hotel, occupying a room on the fifth floor. Five years ago, as a precautionary measure in just such emergency, procured a rope long enough to reach from her room to the street. When the alarm was given, Miss Richardson, with the assistance of Miss Gussie Johnson, a companion, secured the rope to a piece of heavy furniture and threw the free end out of the window. The two girls were about to make the descent when three lady guests rushed into the room and begged to be saved. The two brave girls gave precedence to the guests, and then Miss John-

son took her position on the rope and went down hand over hand. Miss Richardson was the last to leave, and she had gone down but one story when Captain White, who occupied a room on that floor, called to her, appealingly begging her not to jump. Miss Richardson stopped and begged the captain to take her place on the line. This he refused to do, and only after dint of much persuasion could he induce Miss Richardson to save herself, promising to follow in her wake.

Miss Richardson reached the street in safety and Captain White had launched himself in the air, when suddenly the rope broke and he fell to the ground below, a distance of nearly 100 feet.

It is impossible at present to estimate the death loss but indications are that it must increase. The police department is compiling a list of guests, and checking them off as fast as reported safe. So far the list is as follows:

Jonathan L. White, capitalist, residing in the hotel.

Lewis Meyers, secretary Laluya Bay Gold Mining Company.

John J. Carter, associate judge of California Jockey Club.

Tate Pryor, sheetwriter to J. J. Carroll.

J. M. Lighththead, purser of the City of Sydney.

A careful estimate of the loss caused by the Baldwin hotel fire places the total at \$1,500,000, on which at the outside there was not over \$150,000 insurance. The insurance, \$50,000, carried on the hotel was ridiculously small. About \$900,000 of the mortgage covers the Baldwin hotel property, and the opinion is entertained that the site alone is worth at least \$500,000 over the mortgage.

Now is the time to have your Xmas Fotos made by Gifford. 1-1ra

GOVERNMENT FOR HAWAIIANS

Territorial Form Will Be Recommended
By the Commission.

WILL TAKE THIS FORM AT PRESENT

Commissioners Have Completed the Bill
and Its Report Will Be Ready
When Congress Assembles.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The commission appointed by the president to recommend a form of government for the Hawaiian islands as a part of the United States, met in Senator Cullom's committee rooms at the capital today, for the first time since leaving Honolulu, Senators Cullom and Morgan, and Representatives Hit and Frear being present.

The meeting was devoted to discussing details of the bill, and the report which the commission will make to congress, which had not been decided upon at the last meeting. The legislation which will be recommended by the commission will be included in a bill, which to all intents and purposes, will be an enabling act,

and very much like the bills providing for the admission of new states into the Union, except in the important detail that it provides for the admission of a territory and not a state. The bill has been completed but probably will be amended in detail.

The report has not been completed, but the commission has decided upon its important features. One of these is a recommendation that the system of importing laborers under contract shall be discontinued. The commissioners have concluded that as the system is contrary to the laws applying to this country as a whole, it would not be wise to continue it, even temporarily in Hawaii. It is understood that a majority at least of the members of the commission do not accept the theory that Americans and Europeans cannot do manual labor in the islands.

The commission will recommend a regular territorial form of government, with a governor, a delegate in congress, and a legislature. The legislature will be elected by the qualified voters of the island, but there will be property and educational qualifications imposed upon those who vote for members of the upper house of the legislature. The franchise will not be extended to the Japanese or Chinese in the island, but the Portuguese who become citizens will not be excluded, under the restrictions imposed. The commission will present full details of the value of the property acquired, the income of the tariff taxes and other important facts bearing upon the government of the islands. They estimate that the property secured to the United States will amount to more than \$10,000,000.

Lost in the Mountains.

PENDLETON, Or., Nov. 23.—Several thousand sheep are imprisoned in the mountains near here. Two feet of snow

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has fallen there. Sheepmen have kept their sheep on the mountain ranges as long as possible, on account of dryness and a lack of grass outside, S. E. Boettcher has two bands at Wilbur, over 6000, and Robert Potwine 3000. One band belonging to Marshall & Furnish is lost. Herders hunted for it for three days, but found no trace of it. Unless chinook winds blow and melt the snow, sheepmen will have difficulty in bringing their sheep out without heavy loss.

For Sale.

The improvements of the fair grounds, fences, tanks, water cart, grand stand, pavilion, stables and sheds. Sealed bids will be received for any part or whole of this property by the undersigned on Dec. 1, 1898, the property to be removed from the grounds by January 1, 1899. Right reserved to refuse any or all bids.

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