

NEWS IN GENERAL FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

A QUEER CHARACTER.

A few days ago the San Francisco Report, speaking of Pat Lynch, described him as a violent lunatic and said he had once been a member of the State Senate.

The Carson (Nevada) Appeal said that Pat Lynch, an "ex-California State Senator," had served a term in the chain-gang in that town about a year ago.

Pat Lynch never was a California Senator. Many years ago he was a member of the Oregon Legislature. He is known to all the old-time politicians of California, and he has not missed many sessions of the Legislature. He was on deck last Winter, pretending to have an important measure to pass.

Patrick appeared to be as smart as a steeltrap. He could talk like a streak of lightning, and no one could get in a word edgewise when he had the floor. He invariably ended his important conversation by borrowing a dollar from the man who had listened to him. Some time while talking, he would be come so excited that would jump high into the air, crack his heels together, and yell like an Indian.

In recent years the old man's mind has been deranged and last night an acquaintance of Lynch said he was once confined in the insane asylum at Napa.

"But he was entirely to crazy for that place," continued the speaker, "and they turned him out. He came pretty near talking everybody to death."

Gov. Tillman Knocked Out.

St. Louis, Nov. 10.—A Republic special from Columbia, S. C., says: At the state fair yesterday one W. B. Metz was selling "rice beer." Governor Tillman heard of it, and sent word that it must be stopped. Metz refused. The governor told Sheriff Cathcart to stop it, and Cathcart said he would make no arrests except under a trial justice's warrant. The governor, accompanied by some penitentiary guards then ordered the sales to cease, Metz telling him he would only recognize the authority of state constables when they were armed with a warrant. The captain of a local militia company was appealed to, and said he could not get his company together. Meanwhile Metz dispensed more beer. Then the governor mustered a large posse, armed them, telling them to shoot if necessary, but to carry out his orders. He marched at their head. Two of Metz's clerks were arrested in Metz's absence, but he appeared suddenly and ran all the posse out, and said that they would

interfere with him at their peril. Governor Tillman said they could arrest Metz under the dispensary law without a warrant, and ordered them to do so.

"The first man that crosses my counter to arrest me without a warrant I will shoot," said he. No one tried it. Neither would Metz allow his contract to be revoked by the secretary of the fair, when the latter tried to do so at the governor's request. Finally Metz sold out all his beer, and the war was averted.—Toledo Blade.

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