



NEILSON AND ALTHEA.

The Fair Plaintiff Again Under Defendant's Fire.

A PROPOSED IMPEACHMENT.

What Tyler and Neilson Were to be Paid in Case Althea Should Win Her Case Against Senator Sharon.

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THANKSGIVING DAY.

The Manner in Which It Will Be Observed in This City.

WHY WE ARE THANKFUL.

A Stroll Through the Markets—A Magnificent Display—Various Amusements—The Churches and Parks.

Through their broad and matchless domain, the American citizen will to-day observe with the usual ceremonies this occasion set apart for general thanksgiving and praise.

The origin of Thanksgiving Day is found in the Hebrew Feast of the Tabernacles; but history notes the earliest Thanksgiving Day in October, 1575, at Leyden, Holland, on the first anniversary of the day of that city's deliverance from the siege.

The Pilgrim Church, which was exiled from England and went to Holland, carried the custom with them in their voyage in the Mayflower. In July of 1623, after a day of fasting and prayer on account of a great drought, rain fell and the Governor appointed a day for thanksgiving.

On the adoption of the Constitution, in 1789, President Washington recommended a day of national thanksgiving in honor of the event. There was no regular observance of the day, however, until 1864, when President Lincoln issued a proclamation for a day of national thanksgiving for the success of the Union Army in the Civil War, and since that time the day has been most faithfully observed.

The day will be undoubtedly perfect as regards weather, and throughout the length and breadth of this great State, the broad and populous valleys and the mighty stretches of mountain ranges will be bathed in a wealth of mellow sunshine, equal to the balmy May-time of the East, while our less fortunate brethren beyond the Sierras will be chilled with the cold November blasts.

And could they be transported here to witness our prosperity and comforts, they could but say that, as a people, Californians have greater reason to offer up thanks for past and present blessings than any others on all the globe to-day.

Let any Californian who thinks he does not belong to the banner State of the Union take a stroll through one of the large markets and be convinced of his error; for there can be found by the seeker after solace for the inner man all that the most fastidious could crave in the line of substantial meats, fish and fowl, which can be obtained in one land; fruits and delicacies, embracing five kinds of grapes, apples, pears, oranges, lemons, limes, bananas, peaches, strawberries, raspberries, figs—all fresh and luscious; vegetables of every description, including stock, fat new potatoes, tomatoes, radishes, and all others obtainable only in the height of the season in Eastern markets.

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE. Thanksgiving praise services will be held to-day in the Central Presbyterian Tabernacle, Rev. Dr. A. S. Chapman, D. D., associate pastor, will deliver the sermon. The music will be of the highest order and will consist of: 1. Voluntary, concerto for organ and quartette of wind instruments, Vogel, Dr. E. S. Kelley, conductor; 2. Invocation, "Old Hundred," Choral, "St. Stephen's Wake," from the sacred oratorio of St. Paul, Mendelssohn, chorus with quartette accompaniment, arranged by Mr. J. H. Rosewald; 4. Soprano solo, "Let the Bright Seraphim," with cornet obligato, by Madame Julia Rosewald and Mr. Donagan. Miss Mrs. Dir, who can be excelled in no land; excellent, will officiate in that capacity, and Mr. Will Peabody will act as the precursor.

At Trinity Church the musical programme will be at the morning service: Special anthem, instead of the Venite, Te Deum and Jubilate (Dr. Nares), by Mendelssohn; hymn, "The Church is the Body of Christ," by Mendelssohn; hymn, "Oh Lord, in the second hymn, "Judge Me, Antiphony," first Scripture lesson; hymn 1310, tune "Duke Street;" second Scripture lesson; prayer; offertory, "To Thee be Praise Forever;" introductory remarks, Rev. Dr. Barrows; hymn 1309, tune "Usbridge;" address, Rev. Dr. Stebbins; choir, "Thanksgiving Anthem;" prayer; offertory, "America;" benediction; organ postlude.

Union services will be held at 11 A. M. in St. John's Presbyterian Church (Dr. Scott's), when the First Presbyterian, Calvary and Westminster Churches will unite. The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Mr. Barry, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. J. Q. Adams, of the Westminster Church. The public are cordially invited.

The Zion Baptist Church will unite with Plymouth Church in Thanksgiving services at 11 A. M. in Plymouth Church, Post street, near Webster. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Dr. Sawtelle.

Grace Church, California and Stockton streets, has been elaborately adorned with floral ornaments, and the service to-day will be particularly attractive. The congregation celebrates its Harvest Home Festival, and in the decorations will be represented "the kindly fruits of the earth." This service is the church's most grateful expression of thanks, and it is deemed to be especially appropriate at this time. Rev. Dr. Fouts will preach a sermon, and the music from the choir will be from a specially prepared programme.

At the Church of the Advent, Howard street, Rev. W. L. Githens, the rector, will preach. The service will be the regular Thanksgiving service, no special programme having been prepared. The choir has been practicing for some weeks its music, which will be excellent and of a joyous character. The service takes place at 11 A. M. The decorations of the church are unusually handsome.

BAY DISTRICT RACES. The running races at Bay District Park will be one of the greatest attractions of the day. The first race on the programme is five eighths of a mile to two-year-olds, which has three starters—Rapid, Ichi Ban and Mischief. There will also be a one-mile race, in which Fiano, Billy the Kid, Prince of Norfolk and Billy Johnson are entered, but the event of the day will be the two and a quarter mile dash between Lucky B., Patsy Duffy and Garfield, the three horses which so distinguished themselves in the great four-mile dash last Saturday.

The sport will close with a mile and a quarter dash, in which the flyers Glendair, Forest King and Philip S. are entered.

CENTRAL PARK. This new place of amusement, on Market and Eighth streets, which is destined to become very popular, will be formally opened to the public to-day, with a good programme of outdoor sports. The grounds have no superior on the coast, and the grand stand is so arranged as to command a view of the entire Park. The programme will include Scottish games, wrestling, club-swinging and feats of strength. The exercises in the evening will be under canvas, with every convenience for the public comfort. The gravity railroad, on the grounds, is a novelty that will prove a great attraction. Intending competitors are requested to be on the grounds as early as possible, in order to facilitate their carrying out of the programme, which is very lengthy. The following is a list of entries for the different events, open to all amateur athletes on the Pacific Coast: One-mile handicap run—F. J. Spencer, R. S. Adams, T. McCahey, P. N. Gafney, J. Hagen, W. Gail, E. Dalton, W. Craneburg. Two-mile handicap walk—J. D. Mann, E. Dalton,

Official Bonds. Filed by Some of the Newly-Elected Municipal Officers. The following official bonds were filed with the Mayor and Auditor late yesterday afternoon: Peter Hopkins, Sheriff; bond, \$75,000, with the following sureties: Robt. F. Morrow and William Dunphy.

Philip Rouch, Public Administrator; bond, \$50,000; sureties, A. J. Bryant, Geo. C. Perkins, Thos. M. Quackenbush, Elizabeth G. Welsh, John Hines, and E. B. Pond.

Washington Bartlett, Mayor; bond, \$25,000; sureties, Charles Kohler, Louis Sachs, Adam Grant and M. P. Jones.

Washington Bartlett, City Hall Commissioner; bond, \$10,000; sureties, Geo. Robbins and Sampson James.

Charles S. Ruggles, Superintendent of Streets; bond, \$25,000; sureties, William Cantelow and S. S. Morton.

C. C. O'Donnell, Coroner, \$10,000. Sureties—John Staudé, Amadié Mans, Lawrence Felvey and Thos. Donnelly.

D. M. Cashin, Recorder, \$20,000. Sureties—Joseph M. Taylor and M. J. Kelly.

J. C. Pennie, Justice of the Peace, \$5,000. Sureties—James McGinn and John Staudé.

Ira G. Heit, School Director, \$5,000. Sureties—Louis Sloss and Wm. L. Merry.

The Campbell Trial. The Campbell fraudulent voting case was resumed in the United States District Court yesterday. The prosecution concluded its testimony, and several witnesses for the defence were examined. The line of defence is an alibi. The hearing of the evidence was finished in the afternoon, at which time the defendant was placed on the stand, who in his testimony denied that he was at the polling place as charged in the indictment.

The School Vacation Extended. A majority of the School Directors having signed a paper reconsidering and rescinding the action of the Board of Education ordering the schools to be kept open on Friday, November 28th, the Thanksgiving vacation will extend as usual to Monday.

STREET COMMITTEE.

Contracts Awarded and Franchises Granted.

A meeting of the Street Committee was held in the rooms of the Board of Supervisors at the new City Hall yesterday afternoon, Supervisor Ashworth in the chair. There were present Messrs. Burton, Griffin, Lewis and Sullivan.

The bids for lumber were taken up, and Pope & Talbot were awarded the furnishing of Oregon pine at \$12.50 per M, and A. M. Simpson redwood at \$13 per M.

A contract to build a sewer from Fillmore and Bidley streets to Fourteenth street was awarded to John Dolan, who contracted to build the sewer for \$5,267.60.

Peter Connolly's contract to build a sewer on Ninth street from Howard to Bryant for \$10,496 was also accepted.

The Committee reported in favor of accepting Park avenue, from McAllister street to City Hall avenue, and Langton from Howard to Folsom street, and the paving of the crossings on Folsom and Seventeenth streets; also, in favor of repairing Webb street, between California and Sacramento streets.

A communication was received from property-owners on Ivy avenue, between Polk street and Van Ness avenue, 110 feet west of Polk, asking that the said property be condemned. The matter was referred to the City and County Attorney.

An application was read from William Dunphy, G. D. Nagle and J. McDonough, for a franchise for 50 years, to run a cable railroad from the city front along Market and Bush streets to the west line of Central avenue; also, from Market to Mason street, and Montgomery avenue to Beale street and the water front. The Committee reported favorably. Chairman Ashworth voted "no," and Supervisor Burton refused to vote in any manner upon the question.

Thomas R. Hayes, Charles Main, C. F. McDermott, S. C. Bigelow and George W. Prescott desired a franchise for a similar road and routes, as did Charles J. Hendry, Abner Doble and Charles G. Clinch, all of which were granted.

The Directors of the California-street Cable Railroad petitioned for an extension of that road on Gough street, along Grove and Haight, and from Grove along Gough to Haight. The Committee reported in favor of the project, with the exception of Chairman Ashworth, who voted "no."

William J. Kohlman petitioned for a right to change a pre-arranged route and construct a railroad from Eddy street along Powell, Broadway and Taylor streets to the Beach, said road to be run by cable or electricity. The matter was laid over for one week.

The San Francisco Bay and Ocean Side Railroad Company asked for a franchise to run a road from the intersection of Sacramento and East streets to the county line of San Mateo county, and also petitioned to change the intended route in some respects. Laid over until next meeting.

The matters relating to the South San Francisco Railroad Company were referred to Messrs. Burton, Sullivan and Griffin, as a committee appointed to examine into the requests for a franchise.

M. J. Kelley petitioned for the payment of \$1,561 for street work performed by him in 1877. The committee reported in favor of settling the indebtedness.

Another McKenna. Mr. John McKenna, residing at College Hill, Mission road, desires that the public and his friends should be informed that he is not the person charged with being implicated in the alleged outrage on Mrs. Jennie Wilkinson, but that the person so charged was another person of a similar name.

SHAKESPEARE TABLES. Something really sensible for a centre or card table for sale by the California Furniture Co., Nos. 238 to 246 Bush street.

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Those Confederate Bonds. The majority of the members of the San Francisco Stock and Exchange Board of both political persuasions are highly indignant over the action of a small Republican faction in the Board who, on Tuesday last, negotiated washed sales of Confederate bonds during the "local securities" call.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the board yesterday morning, Scott Wilson, who in a vigorous speech denouncing the action as tending to lower the dignity of the institution and bring it into disrepute in the East. Out of a number of brokers interviewed yesterday, only one claimed that any legitimate sale had been negotiated, which he said had been made by Mr. Schmiedell in obedience to a telegraphic order received from the East.

When questioned in regard to the matter Mr. Schmiedell positively denied that he had received any such order or purchased any bonds, stating that the whole affair was merely a practical joke. Other brokers denounced it as the work of a few spiteful Republicans who had lost money on the late election and took this means of venting their political spleen.

The Police Courts. In Judge Webb's Court yesterday morning Wm. Browning, charged with robbery; George Smith, charged with grand larceny; and J. E. Langford, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, were discharged as innocent. Frank Johnson and Louis Harrington were held for trial for robbery, with bail fixed at \$2,000 each.

In Judge Lawler's Court James Philtoun, a confidence man, was sent to the House of Correction for six months. John Wilson and Ah Sing, burglars, were held for trial, with bail fixed at \$2,000 each, and Mary Gillespie, a Potrero landlady, was held in \$1,000 for assaulting a boarder with a carving-knife.

Missing Boys. Thomas and Charley Higgins and James Bailoy, all boys under 12 years of age, took a boat from the foot of Hyde street Tuesday morning, and have not since been seen. Their parents fear that the boat has been seized by their unskillful management, and that the youngsters have been drowned. Along the water front the opinion prevails that they have drifted out to sea with the tide, and that they will be picked up by some passing vessel.

Good-bye, Street-Sweeper. The contract of the city with Weed & Co. of the street-sweeping machine expired last night and the cumbersome machines made their last trip this morning along the city streets, to be replaced by the new machines which should be secured. The streets will now remain unswayed for some time to come, or at least until the present Board of Supervisors solve the problem now pending before them as to whether the streets shall be swept by hand labor or machine.

Fighting Tars. John Carroll and John Holms, two drunken sailors, engaged in a fight over the price of a drink in a Stearns-street saloon last night, and after using his fists for some time the latter drew his knife, with which he cut Carroll on the left temple, severing an artery which discharged blood so freely that he nearly died. Holms was arrested for assault to murder.

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