

AROUND THE WATER FRONT

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The Olympia has a rival now as the only deep-water vessel in the bay, as the big British ship Peleus came down from Port Costa yesterday and anchored off Bryant street. She is low in the water with a cargo of wheat for Europe and will sail next Tuesday.

The pilot-boat Gracie arrived yesterday morning from Santa Cruz, making the run against a head wind from port to port in twenty-four hours, or to the whistling-buoy in seventeen hours.

The bituminous rock crossing over East street to the Oakland ferries is being relaid, as the first pavement placed upon the concrete foundation, which is very smooth.

The winners at the track yesterday were Silver State, Nellie G, Joe K, Del Norte and Mulberry.

Wages of steel-workers at the Pacific Rolling Mills were advanced 10 per cent voluntarily yesterday.

The revenue officers are searching for a 12-bell distillery that they are sure is located in San Francisco.

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The new California giant begonia will be exhibited at the State Floral Society's show of begonia July 13.

The military board of location will begin to muster out more companies in the National Guard to-morrow.

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A regimental and battalion formation is now spoken of as the plan most likely to be adopted by the military board of location.

The old Emeryville racetrack will soon undergo a thorough overhauling. Repairs to the extent of \$75,000 will be made there.

Lizzie Shepherd, an old woman living at 112 Grove street, disappeared last Monday, and it is supposed she has committed suicide.

The State harbor tug Governor Irwin has been stripped with fire hose and will assist the fire tug Markham in guarding the wharves.

The fruit-growers throughout the State are taking action looking to the establishment of union salesrooms for California grown fruit.

The National Guard is considerably demoralized in consequence of the impending changes the board of location is making in the service.

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The Southern Pacific Company notified its freight agents yesterday that exhibits of paving material shall be carried free to and from the Mechanics' Fair.

W. C. Lewis and W. J. Hollinger, carpenters working on the gymnasium at the State University, Berkeley, were killed yesterday by falling from the roof.

Mrs. Gussie Anderson has reported to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children that her husband desired her and her two children last Tuesday.

Chief Crowley says the traffic in lottery tickets has decreased fully one-half. The State has exposed the swindling methods of the many fake lottery concerns.

Governor Budd has telegraphed to a Chicago inquirer that the present indications are that California is to experience better times, good crops and renewed prosperity.

The members of the San Francisco Schuetzen Verein are in a jubilant mood over the success which has attended the efforts of the members in the New York National Schuetzenfest.

The Corinthian and San Francisco yacht clubs will return this afternoon from their midsummer cruise. The Corinthians, in particular, had a most enjoyable outing on the water.

Melville Lindon, an employee of the Columbia Engineering Company, was arrested yesterday for forgery and made a plea that he wanted money to visit his mother, who was dying in New York.

J. S. Herberman and W. E. Mennow, who were arrested in San Jose for stealing a gold watch and chain from Charles F. Reynolds' room, 501 Broadway street, were booked at the City Prison yesterday.

Superintendent of Streets Ashworth in an interview yesterday denied the charge of neglect of duty made by Mayor's Expert Gaden, and said that the Mayor "got a check on this reformer."

Thomas O'Hara was arrested for vagrancy yesterday morning and last night a charge of carrying a concealed weapon was added to his record. He was booked at the City Prison.

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Willie O'Brien, whose parents live at 1912 Dore street, has not been seen or heard of since he was on the Valley road. The police are looking for him. He was last seen on the streets of San Francisco on July 1 and the police have been unable to find any trace of him.

Arrangements have been made for the incorporation of an American flag day association, to be held on the 4th of July. The association will have as its object the celebration of the adoption of the stars and stripes as the flag of the United States.

John Lapique, a butcher who was arrested yesterday on a charge of grand larceny, was booked at the City Prison. He was charged with working upon John Louis Ader, an old man, that in less than two weeks he got out of him about \$5000 and a gold watch.

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Small as the quantity was that left San Francisco it was doled out and distributed in drops to several institutions of learning in England, France and Germany. In every case the scientific men whose specialty is the microscope were most enthusiastic over the innovation, and already orders are coming in daily at the offices of chemists who prepare the gum in bottles for Europe.

The Eastern microscopists have also discarded the old formula and are using the new exclusively, finding that it gives marvellously improved results, which must soon lead to a complete revolution in the knowledge of bacteria and cellular construction previously acquired with the aid of their instrument.

The substance that has been almost universally accepted in the first trials is known as Gum Thus. It is a vegetable extract of the resinous order taken from pines in some of the Eastern States. Its chief characteristic which places it above all other viscous compounds is its singular transparency, combined with a high refractive index that almost absolutely steadies the rays of light falling upon the object under the glass.

This latter quality enables the observer to see through the microscope with very infinitesimal outline of the objects keenly defined, where before there was a blur and an indistinctness very annoying to those who would learn more of what they were studying. In the study of microbes it is hardly understood yet what new discoveries may be made, though great things are expected from the application of this translucent, crystal-like American pine gum.

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"I know of no statute directing or authorizing the making and filing of a report by a Grand Jury. The law contemplates action by the body and not the expression of opinion. If public officials had been guilty of offenses cognizable by the Grand Jury it should proceed against them by indictment or presentment in the manner prescribed by law, and not by the filing of a report concerning them, nor, for that matter, praising them. The majority of the jurors, however, constituting the late Grand Jury, having been heretofore permitted to file a report, in accordance with custom, the same privilege will be accorded the minority."

ARRESTED FOR ARSON.

Joseph Ferris, Proprietor of the Fruitstore on Scott Street, in Prison.

Joseph Ferris, proprietor of the fruitstore 217 Scott street, which was destroyed by fire under suspicious circumstances on Friday morning, was arrested yesterday morning by Fire Marshal Towe and Detective Handley on the charge of arson.

The Fire Marshal and detective made a thorough investigation into the cause of the fire yesterday morning, and from information they received and other facts they at once placed Ferris under arrest.

The officers, while not disposed to make public all the evidence they have obtained, but they point to the fact that the building was insured for \$150, and it can easily be duped for \$75. Ferris' stock was also insured for \$85, and they state there was not more than \$25 worth of stock in the store.

Ferris also made entirely different statements, first to the Fire Marshal and later to Detective Handley, as to what he was when the fire broke out, and also as to how he came to have his hands and clothing covered with coal oil. The smell of the oil can yet be easily detected on the floor he was wearing on the morning of the fire.

Ferris is only 18 years of age, and says he was born in Oakland. He lived with his brother-in-law, W. F. Dawson, who has a bakery almost directly opposite the fruitstore. He protests his innocence.

The Merchants' Association, which has the contract for street-sweeping, is having considerable difficulty in keeping the downtown streets in a presentable condition. According to President F. W. Dohrmann, the difficulty is attributable to two causes. One is the wretched condition of the cobblestone paving, the other the seeming carelessness of some of the fruit-dealers and vegetable-market men.

The association has done work enough, he says, to have kept that portion of the City in comparatively as good condition as other portions, but without the co-operation of those from whose business houses the dirt is accumulated the desired results cannot be accomplished. Speaking on this subject last night Mr. Dohrmann said:

"When we began the street sweeping we had great difficulties to overcome, but soon had the dirt in the streets reduced to a district below Montgomery street, between Sacramento and Jackson. The street paving was in very bad condition and the accumulations of dirt were almost insurmountable. We were disappointed in reaching any respectable condition during the wet season. But when the dry season came on we got down to bedrock. But our troubles did not end even then. As soon as we had got the streets clean, the accumulation of dirt was so great that they looked as if they had not been cleaned at all."

"Finding it impossible to do the job justice in the day time, we put a night force on, they could finish their work by 6 o'clock in the morning. The dirt in the streets would be almost as dirty as on the previous afternoon. This fact led some persons to think that no sweeping was being done in that district."

"We tried to induce the dealers to keep their rough cobblestones clean, but our worst contention was with the dealers, whose sweepings accumulate so rapidly. They claim that they pay garbage men to carry away the refuse. But the trouble is that their employees had been so long used to dirty streets that they used no care in sweeping the streets and sidewalks."

"All these streets could be kept in a clean condition if the dealers would have the careful co-operation of those interested. One firm by the name of Vancovich has at our request furnished a large receptacle for the dirt and the sweepings being placed there, and the dirt is in the work."

"We notice a great improvement on the uptown streets where the sweepings are placed in piles. It is not the duty of a street-sweeping contractor to remove the accumulations of dirt that come from the streets, but to keep the streets clean, and if we can have the dirt left in proper shape to be easily reached by our sweepers."

"There has been marked improvement in business in sections where the streets are kept clean. The dealers are beginning to extend to the downtown districts if the dealers had their own interests at heart."

WHY FOR THE WISE.

Some of the Reasons for the Hub's Extraordinary Offers.

In another part of this issue will be found a unique advertisement from The Hub Clothing Store. It announces a dissolution of partnership in the old firm and at the same time a great dissolution sale under the new management of Charles Keilus & Co. Mr. Keilus, who remains as the head and front of the new firm, is known to every purchaser of high-class clothing in San Francisco. He has been for many years recognized as among the best of the city. He is a man of high character, and his business is a "good form" in men's and boys' dress, and his assumption of the entire management of the establishment which he has done so much to place in the leading position among the clothing stores of the city, as an assurance of the future prosperity and popularity of The Hub.

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CALIFORNIANS AT THE TOP.

They Will Bring Back Some Valuable Prizes—Career of Young A. H. Pape.

While the cracking of the rifles at the great National Schuetzenfest in New York stirs the atmosphere there, glad echoes are being awakened out here in the hearts of the members of the San Francisco Schuetzen Verein over the performances of their fellow members in the shooting contests.

Ever since the festival began there the local marksmen have been watching the reports, and as in each successive event the Californians came out with flying colors pride in their achievements began to swell, and with the records made by Helm, Strecker and young Pape pride burst out in a glad spirit of jubilation.

Helm was looked upon as a sure winner, although his winning of 75 out of a possible 75 came as a surprise. He had made that perfect score a year ago in this City, at the Midwinter Fair Exposition, but such scores are not often duplicated, hence the surprise.

Next to Helm the Schuetzen members are interested in their youngest marksman, A. H. Pape. Although he has been a member of the Verein but two years he has performed some feats with the rifle which have astonished some of the old members, and a promising future as a marksman is predicted for him. He was the first man to make three bullseyes on the honor target, Germany, during the tournament, and so far holds the record for four consecutive red flags on the point target, while his 47 on the standard is only one point below the score. On the honor target Columbia he has made 65.

Young Pape is only 23 years of age and is a native of this City. His father, Frederick Pape, is an old and respected member of the local German colony. It is rather remarkable that of the three Pape boys each one has distinguished himself in some peculiar acquirement. The eldest son is an artist, who has earned a reputation for himself in Paris and received several prizes in the Salon. He is now connected with the Century Magazine staff. Another son, who is also a native of this City, is a clerk in the local German colony. The youngest son, who is also a native of this City, is a clerk in the local German colony.

The latter joined the San Francisco Schuetzen Verein in April, 1893. In his first year's shoot he won the third-class medal in three successive months. In the same year he joined the Columbia Pistol and Rifle Club and won the pistol, rifle and all-around championship medals.

Arrangements are already under way for giving the local marksmen a young reception when they return to their home.

The "moorings" has been deserted for nearly a week and Herr Kolb has been very lonely indeed. On last Wednesday afternoon the Corinthian fleet left for Suisun and way ports to celebrate the Fourth. Nearly all the yachtsmen made the upriver trip, and those who did not have been in hiding to give out the impression that they were good gunners. To-day the yachts will return from Mare Island, coming down with the San Francisco fleet and a number of other craft which went up to meet them. Several of the California Club's boats also made the long trip, and from all accounts the sailor boys have had a merry and successful cruise.

The Corinthians journeyed along in easy stages, dropping anchor where they chose and generally spending the night on shore. They were treated royally wherever they went, and many a broken heart they leave behind them. Eddie Kolb received a letter from the fleet yesterday, in which were recounted some of their experiences. Following is an extract:

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