

AMUSEMENTS. BUSH-STREET THEATRE. M. B. LEVY, Proprietor. Chas. P. Hall, Manager. LAST MATINEE SATURDAY. POSITIVELY LAST WEEK (10) 'AN Natural Gas'

GILBERT, DONNELLY, & GIRARD. Next Monday, December 20th. Opening with Grand Holiday Matinee. THE BOSTON HOWARD SPECIALTY COMPANY.

CALIFORNIA THEATRE. Under the Management of AL. HAYMAN & W. MORRISON. Proprietor. Edw. J. Abraham, Manager.

Mainell's Cosmopolitan Congress. 4 ORIGINALS & 4 BIG VAUDEVILLE SYNDICATE. Saturday Next, Last Night of this Great Company.

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DIXEY. And Rice & Dixey's Big Burlesque Co. in ADONIS. New and Attractive Features.

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The Pirates of Penzance. Playing Nightly to Crowded Houses. Saturday Evening, December 24th.

MECHANICS' PAVILION. LINES' PAVILION PROMENADES. Every Evening and Saturday Matinee.

QUADRILLE OF ALL NATIONS. First Appearance in San Francisco of MILLE CARLOTTA NATALI.

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WRAPPED IN FLAMES. The Steamer San Vicente Burned at Sea Off Point New Year.

TWELVE OF THE CREW DROWNED. A Rush for the Boats—The Port Boat Captured Through Overcrowding—List of the Lost Seamen.

The perils of the sea were terribly exemplified yesterday in the burning of the coasting steamer San Vicente, off Cape New Year, and the loss of twelve lives. The news of the catastrophe was received at the Merchants Exchange about eleven o'clock in the morning, having been brought by the steamer Queen of the Pacific, Captain Alexander. The Queen of the Pacific was bound from San Diego to this port at the San Vicente was sighted late Tuesday evening on her way southward to Cruz. Soon after being first sighted she was discovered to be in a blaze, and Captain Alexander exerted himself to the utmost to rescue the crew. Three boats were lowered, and Captain Lewis, with the first and second mates and four sailors were saved. The San Vicente burst from 11:30 o'clock at night until 7:34 next morning, when she sunk. She was owned by the Pacific Coast Steamship Company.

The motion to quash the indictment against Fong Chung Shee, the Chinese prisoner, was argued yesterday afternoon in the United States District Court. Lyman Mowry appeared for the prisoner and Assistant District Attorney Weller for the government.

Further proceedings in the selection of a jury to try Clara Belle McDonald for shooting at Dr. R. H. McDonald were delayed three quarters of an hour yesterday by the absence of Juror Lee, who did not appear till nearly 11 o'clock.

The case of Rufus C. Hanks, charged with perjury, was up for hearing before Judge Tooley yesterday. Hanks, under the belief that his wife, Mary Hanks, was dead, married a woman in this city several years ago.

Officer Colby returned from Los Angeles yesterday with James M. Haley, who was arrested there on a bench warrant issued by Judge Tooley. Haley is charged with having defrauded the Sterling Furniture Company of \$500 worth of furniture.

In August, 1885, H. T. Walker was appointed by the Supervisors of San Bernardino county a license tax collector for that county in the sum of \$30,000. The bond was duly approved. Subsequently one of the streets in the city was named in honor of H. T. Walker and his name was on the supplemental bond which was approved. It is alleged that Walker, while acting as such tax collector, appropriated to his own use the sum of \$1500.00 collected by him for licenses. The state sued to recover from the bondsmen and recovered judgment, but the defendants appealed. Yesterday the Supreme Court affirmed the judgment of the lower court.

AFLOAT AND ASHORE. An Insane Plasterer Commits Suicide by Drowning.

A LITTLE NEWSBOY'S HONESTY. A Novelty in Advertising—Uncertainty Regarding the Fate of the Russian Cruiser Albat.

John Tiernan, a plasterer living at 125 Langton street, threw the passengers on the steamer Newark into a terrible state of consternation by suddenly jumping overboard while the vessel was on her 3 o'clock trip to this city on Tuesday. The steamer was promptly stopped and a boat lowered, but before the unfortunate man could be reached he had disappeared under the waves.

The ship Spartans sails to-morrow. The steamer Queen of the Pacific arrived from San Francisco yesterday morning, having been delayed by stopping to save the survivors from the terrible fire on the San Vicente on Tuesday night.

Death From Heart Disease. Mrs. Prinstrup died from the effects of excitement caused by the fire on the corner of Clay and East streets last evening. She had been suffering from heart disease, and, on hearing the alarm of fire, she went to the window to see where it was, and imagining it was close at hand, she was so affected thereby that she fell in a faint.

Chow Ah Hack, a notorious highbinder, who made his way down the gang-plank of the San Pablo yesterday morning in company with fifteen other ecclesiasticals, was arrested by Inspectors Pierce, Atkinson and Eston.

Burned to Death. Mrs. Lavinia Boyd, the wife of Captain William K. Boyd, a retired sea captain residing at 1007 Valencia street, while preparing dinner yesterday afternoon upset a panful of hot grease over the stove.

Democratic National Convention Committee. There was a meeting of the committee on the National Democratic Convention at the rooms of the Democratic State Central Committee last evening, Isador Gutte in the chair.

Two Small Fires. The explosion of a coal oil lamp at the residence of M. M. Oesler, 2070 Market street, caused an alarm to be sent in from box 84 at 6 o'clock last night. Ten dollars will cover the damage.

Art Sale. At the rooms of the San Francisco Art Association, 430 Pine street, Easton & Eldridge will this evening sell at auction a collection of paintings by the artists Henry Raschen and Carl von Ferbach.

SUNDAY SERVICES. Whenever the news has reached me of this or that rabbi having introduced in his congregation Sunday service, which proves to be a great success, the question has arisen in my mind spontaneously.

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THE LICK STATUARY. A Competition Among the Artists Would Be Better With Models.

SOME PLAIN TALK BY AN ARTIST. It Should Be Designed by an American. Executed by an American and Made of American Material.

A gentleman pretty well informed about art matters, in speaking yesterday about the competition among the different artists for the award of the contract to design and execute the group of historical statuary for the Lick Trust, to be placed in front of the new city hall, said: "In accordance with the terms of the deed of trust, designs were called for, as you know, representing by means of a group of statuary, well worth \$100,000, the three periods in the history of the state from the founding of the early missions to the acquisition of the territory by our government; from the development of agriculture, and from that period down to the founding of the trust. The usual custom is to call for models of the proposed statue or group of statuary. It is, in my judgment, the only fair and true way to conduct such a competition. Of course the models should be accompanied by explanatory drawings showing a section elevation and ground plan. It should give an idea of the artist's general and the general disposition of the group. In truth, a thing that entirely sculptural I have never known to be presented in competition in any other way except by the submission of a model. The artist's monument called for a model. In any other art community if a sculptor can not compete with a model, he will not compete at all, and undoubtedly many good artists have refrained from submitting their designs for the Lick monument called for a model. In any other art community if a sculptor can not compete with a model, he will not compete at all, and undoubtedly many good artists have refrained from submitting their designs for the Lick monument called for a model.

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