ESTATES ARE

Grand Jury Will Endeavor to Have the Laws of Public Administration Amended.

OPPORTUNITY FOR LOOTING TOO GREAT.

No Charges Preferred Against John Farnham—It Is the System That Is Condemned, Mrs. Slow. but Not the Execution of It.

session, called to take up the nost disgraceful one, permitting of the looting of the estates of absentee

law be so amended as to permit of rightful heirs securing their rights and preventing the absorbing of whole estates by administrators and law

firm of official experts. He ex-ined the system of administering

the present system of pub-

Public Administrator Farnham de a statement relative to the fees

\$1325 30 in fees. There are outstanding, according to the expert's report, about \$400 in delinquent fees. These will all be paid at the proper time, if found to be correct and money comes into the estates that are being administered by me. I am not required to pay fees out of my own pocket for in-

solvent estates.' Superior Judge Coffey has been examining the report of the experts of the Finance Committee in so far as it refers to cases that were in his de-partment. He has found that eight of the cases attributed to his department were passed upon by Judges in other departments. In two other cases the fees were remitted by order of Judge Coffey, the Judges having statutory authority to remit fees in their discre-

HIGHWAY ROBBER RUNS INTO ARMS OF POLICE.

Edward Doherty, a steamship fireman who lives at 27321/2 Mission street, was booked at the City Prison last night on a booked at the City Prison last night on a charge of grand larceny. It is charged that about midnight he was talking with his friend, O. Rindell, quartermaster on the steamship Queen, at Dupont and Pacific streets, and seeing that Rindell's gold chain, promised rich plunder, he grabbed the chain, broke it and ran off with the watch. Rindell at once raised an alarm and Officers Silver and Skein gave chase. They pursued Doherty to Bartlett alley, where Detective McMahon saw the party coming and caught Doherty.

Two pages of first-class Christmas fiction for children in Sunday's

AMATEUR ATHLETES MEET. At a meting of the Pacific Athletic Association held last evening in the Emma Spreckels building, the Bisbec Emma Spreckels building, the Bisbec Gymnasium Club of Arizona was elected to membership in this association. The atsociation will send out invitations to the various athletic clubs on the Coast to fiske an exhibit of photographs of winning teams, gymnasiums, etc., at the St. Louis Exposition. W. A. E. Woods was elected a delegate of the association to represent it on the board of governors of the Athletic Union. A rule was passed prohibiting amateur ethletes from seconding any professional and also from becoming a member of a training corps. Word has been received that Alex W. Pape of the Dolphin Club, who has been matched with Fred W. Ayres of the Alameda Boating Club for the single scull champlonship of the Pacific Coast, will not be able to take part.

Owing to the increasing interest on this Coast of the sport of Fasket-ball, the association will take hold of a large tournament for the State championship and if is expected that there will be at least con or twelve teams entered. Among those entered will be the University of California. Stanford University, Occidental Athletic Club, two teams; St. Ignatius College, two teams, and the various high schools and Young Men's Christian Associations of Oakland and San Francisco. The association has decided to offer a trophy to be awarded to the victorious team. The registration committee has taken the matter in hand and circular letters will be sent out in the next few days. Gymnasium Club of Arizona was elected

the next few days. Labor day poem on a Police Commissioner.

EASILY ROBBED & SOCIF

Miss Edna Middleton is bidding her friends to a tea to be given at her home, 2431 Green street, Tuesday, Decem-

avenue was thronged with visitors again yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. John F. Merrill, Mrs. John Brows, Morrill ond and last reception. Handsome flow-Ledle Moody, Mrs. Rudolph Spreckels, Mrs. Henry Oxnard, Mrs. W. O. Mills, Mrs. Henry Payot, Mrs. Chauncey Winslow, Mrs. Henry Crocker, Mrs. James B. Stetson, Mrs. L. L. Baker, Miss Beaver, Miss Ethel Beaver, Mrs. Charles Wheeler. Mrs. Ayer, Mrs. Hermann Schussler, Miss Alice Schussler, Mrs. Timothy Hopkins, Mrs. A. N. Towne, Mrs. Herosco Wilson, Mrs. A. N. Towne, Mrs. Herosco Wilson, Mrs. Normal Victoria Charles

Helen Dean and Miss Christine Pomeroy.

Mrs. G. L. Simmons of Sacramento, who has been the guest of her sister.
Mrs. Everts, for a few days, returned to
her home last evening.

Miss Elsie Sperry is asking a few friends informally to tea on the after-noon of Sunday. December 20th. Another . entertainments at which

Miss Margaret Mee has issued cards corps by reason of the membership of a for a large tea to meet Miss Margaret son or a husband in the organization.

BUT NO LIVES LOST

tle Street, Where Car Tele-

scopes a Passenger Train.

OAKLAND, December 11.-At 5:54

passenger train, fortunately empty. collided with an extra work train at

the foot of Myrtle street. The work

train consisted of two engines and two

cabooses, and was also east-bound,

and was just pulling on to the main

track when the passenger train came

down behind it at an increased rate

of speed and the two engines tore off each other's cylinders and drive wheels.

The passenger engine ran some yards down the track before it could be controlled, and the leading freight en-

gine was knocked off the rails, to-gether with two cars of the passenger train. That none of the crews were

train. That none of the crews were hurt is the most remarkable feature of the accident. The two cabooses on the work train, full of workmen, the two engines attached to it having each an engineer and fireman, and the engineer and fireman of the passenger train, all of whom stayed at their posts, escaped without any injury. The wrecking crew was at once on the ground under the direction of Division Superintendent Palmer and Master Car-Builder Engelbright. By diligent work they had the tracks open

diligent work they had the tracks open for traffic within half an hour from the time of the collision. A brakeman from the work train had gone ahead

to open the switch that allowed it to run on to the main track, but he did

not see the passenger train in time to prevent the two engines from col-liding. It is said that there was not

enough fog at the time to make the signals invisible, and that these were

The Alameda engine was in charge of Engineer Hammond and Fireman Burns. On the other two engines were

Engineers Burns and Shaw and Fire-

PLANS SILK WORM STATION.

BERKELEY, December 11.-A silk

BERKELEY, December 11.—A silk worm experimental station is the object for which investigations in California are now being made by C. R. Marlatt, entomologist and field expert of the United States Department of Agriculture. Yesterday Professor Marlatt was in consultation with Professor E. W. Hilgard of the University of California, making inquiries particularly regarding the climatic conditions to be found suitable for this work.

DELEGATES SELECTED.

BERKELEY, December 11.-Three del-

BERKELEY, December 11.—Three delegates to the American Association of Universities. which will meet in February at New Haven, were chosen today at the meeting of the Graduate Council of the University of California. These three men will go particularly prepared to present the question of "University Publications." President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Professor Charles M. Bakewell and Professor Irving Stringham are the delegates.

TO GIVE EUCHRE PARTY.

set correctly.

men Anton and Lassee

TRAINS WRECKED,

MARTINEZ DIES ON THE SCAFFOLD

Harry Stetson will give a dinner of prty guests on the evening of Wednesaw, December 16th, at the home of his

Accident Occurs at Foot of Myr- Murderer of Deputy Sheriff Lodge vesterday afternoon, President A. Casey Pays the Maximum | B. Spreckels and Commissioners Sullivan and Altman were present, constituting just a quorum. Most of the session | Miners of Colorado.

SAN QUENTIN, December 11.o'clock this morning an east-bound Displaying the same unconcern that characterized his confinement in the condemned cell, Julius Martinez, the murderer of Deputy Sheriff James Casey of Calaveras county, mounted the scaffold this morning and paid the penalty of his crime. Among the witnesses were Richard and John Casey, brothers of the victim of the condemned man. Both expressed grim pleasure in the spectacle and voiced but one regret, that the suffering of the murderer was not prolonged.

longed.

On July 26th of this year Martinez shot and killed the deputy, who, after arresting him for disturbing the peace, was about to re-enter his cell to relieve him of the weapon it was well known he carried. Martinez escaped, but his liberty was short, for Richard Casey followed in his tracks and recaptured him after tracks Richard Casey followed in his tracks and recaptured him after inflicting dangerous wounds. That his life did not pay the forfeit then and there was miraculous, for another brother of the man he slew thrice placed a pistol to his head and pulled the trigger but each time the weapon missed fire. A mob organized to lynch him was only deterred from carrying out its intention by a physician's statement that Martinez was fatally wounded.

The condemned man was born in the backwoods, could neither read nor write and the little mind he had was totally undeveloped. His father died when he was a boy of 10 years and he was then turned out into the world to shift for himself. When he was furnished a suit of civilian clothes this morning he remarked that heretofore overalls and a jumper were high tofore overalls and a jumper were his chief articles of apparel.

It was just 10:29 o'clock that Martinez emerged from the death cham-ber, accompanied by Fathers Phillips

tinez emerged from the death chamber, accompanied by Fathers Phillips and Walsh, who administered the last ritual. Turnkey Swan adjusted the black cap, the signal was given to spring the trap, and at 10:50 o'clock, the exact time stated in the death warrant, the body of the murderer was cangling at the rope's end. Eleven minutes thereafter Drs. W. F. Jones of San Rafael, J. M. Flint of San Francisco and O. C. Hyde, the pricon physician, pronounced him dead, and the body was cut down. This was the first execution under Warden Tompkins and differed from Warden Tompkins and differed from all previous ches, in that witnesses were restricted to relatives and persons immediately interested. As a result but twelve spectators were present outside of the actual partici-pants in the panging. The drep was fixed at five feet ten inches. On Friday next Bert Ross, who murdered Deputy Sheriff Ward and who has gained several stays of execution, will

C. L. A. S., No. 2, is to have a euchre party Monday evening at St. Charles' Hall, 390 Shotwell street, to help increase its funds, as the demand for charity is great at this season. The finest present ever given want advertisers will be given "Chronicle" advertisers to-day. Read about it on page 10 of this paper.

also expiate his crime.

AIDS ATHLETES

for Football Supplies to Be Illegal, and Stops Payment.

dated October 15th. The items on the bill were as follows: September 11th, six padded jerseys at 2 75, \$16 50

was a mass of pretty flowers, violets predominating in the drawing-room, delicate pink roses in the dining-room, while the hall showed the different reds of holly. Christmas flowers and deepshaded chrysanthemums.

The receiving party comprised Mrs. Preston, Mrs. Willard Drown, Mrs. H. Macdonald Spencer, Mrs. L. D. Owens, Mrs. Swartley, Miss Laura Hamilton, Miss Edna Hamilton, Miss Ruth McNutt, Miss Helen Bertz, Miss Elsie Sperry and Miss Linda Cadwallader. September 4th, four padded jerseys, a: \$2 75, \$11.

The demand was made

helped the girls' basket-ball teams, and I think that it is a matter on which the Board is competent to

rectors, but said he thought Wood-ward had voted against allowing the

PARK COMMISSIONERS

MEET AT THE LODGE Monument to Father Junipero Serra Will Be Erected at an

Penalty for His Crime, was taken up opening bids on supplies for the Park for the next two months PROMOTION COMMITTEE

and awarding contracts for the same. Five hundred copies of the annual report were ordered printed at a cost of The petition of Arthur Hughes, a workman, who was injured by the Dutch windmill a few months ago, for an allowance in lieu of wages lost was granted and \$73 50 voted him, notwithstanding the fact that the Commission was not legally responsible for his injuries. Juries.

The loan of a painting entitled "A Street in Monterey." by Isabelia Hunter, and offered by M. D. Stein, was accented.

cepted.

Ex-Mayor Phelan, having offesed to donate a statue in honor of Father Junipero Serra, founder of the Franciscan Missions of California, a committee was appointed to consider the question of selecting a site. The offer came through Archbishop Riordan.

Reports from the children's quarters and the tea garden show that these institutions are just about self-supporting at this dull season of the year.

ARGUE IN EPPINGER CASE. Argument was heard by Judge Lawlor yesterday on the motion made by the attorneys for Herman Eppinger to quash the indictment found against him for obtaining money by false pretenses. The indictment was based on alleged obtaining money by false pretenses. The indictment was based on alleged crooked transactions of the now defunct grain firm of Eppinger & Co. and the defendant claims that the means employed to obtain his testimony before the investigating body were illegal. This claim was made the basis of the motion.

THE CITY IN BRIEF

WOODWORTH RETURNS. United States Attorney Marshall B. Woodworth returned yesterday from an official trip to Fresno. He was absent for one week. TROUBLE FOR JOHN DOE.—A burglary warrant was issued by Police Judge Mogan yesterday on complaint of Carl Strohn of 1045 Mission street, who alleges that on December 4th "John Doe" entered his room at that place and stole everything of value. FALLS FROM A SWING.—Earl Hughes, a schoolby living at 959 Mission street, fell from a swing at the playgrounds at Seventh and Harrison streets, yesterday afternoon and sustained a fracture of the left arm. He was treated at the Contral Emergency Hospital. TALK TO YOUNG MEN.—Rev. M. M. Haynes, one of the most prominent divines of Chicago, will address the mass meeting for young men only at the Young Men's Christian Association to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mr. Haynes will speak on a special theme to young men and all are invited. The California University Chinese Quartet will sing. University Chinese Quartet will sing.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday: Angelo Mickelotti. 222 Broadway, axed 21, and Angelina M. C. Garbarini, 222 Broadway, 19: William J. Whipple. 12 Mason street, 25, and May E. Kohler. Oakland. 20: John Sancer, 860 Mission street, 48, and Katharina Knuity, 890 Mission street, 47: Eilas Donner, 308 Howard street, 26, and Annie S. Shubert, 905 Folsom street, 18: Edgar H. Sweetland, Carson City. Nev., 26, and Minule R. Rubin. Carson City. Nev., 19: Johan Strom, 803 Filbert street, 2: and Tillie Sweggen, 803 Filbert street, 2: Hjulmar Tietzen, 3928 Nincteenth street, 22. and Dorica Pallesen, city, 23: John C. Coatello, 522 Larkin street, 36, and Margaret Ford, 213 Langton street, 24.

Peculiarities of Greenway's ball. Read the Wasp on them. The Oakland Branch Office of the "Chronicle"

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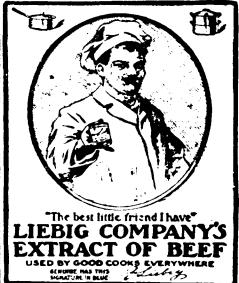
New Monthly Will Afford Information About the State to Prospective Settlers.

The first number of For California, a monthly magazine published by the Call-fornia Promotion Committee, has been menthly magazine published by the Callfornia Premotion Committee, has been issued. This magazine will appear on the 10th of each month. The purpose of the committee is to furnish information concerning the State to persons outside of California and to persuade them to settle here, as well as to keep up the interest of Californians in the development of the State. Reliable and unbiased statements regarding the rescurces of the various parts of the State and of the opportunities for advancement which this great commonwealth affords to men and women will be presented in this monthly.

The first issue contains an excellent picture of "a California Christmas tree bearing oranges." made from a photograph which was taken in December; an article by Governor Pardee on "The Land of Opportunities," a sonnet on "Shasta" by Charles Keeler, a sketch of "Dairying in California" by William H. Saylor, and other matter. L. Maynard Dixon furnishes several illustrations. The January number will contain articles by David Starr Jordan, James D. Phelan and others and the opening chapters of a serial story. No advertisements are to be printed in the magazine.

COAL TEAMSTER INJURED. Owen Hughes, driver of a coal wagon, lost control of his team at Fourth and Bryant streets yesterday at noon and Bryant streets yesterday at noon and fell beneath the wheels, sustaining serious injuries. At the Central Emergency Hospital it was found that he had a fracture of the right hip, fractures of toes of both feet, a fracture of the frontal bone of the skull and numerous abrasions of the body. Hughes lives at 3 Hollis street. He was later removed to St. Luke's Hospital.

MISCELLANEOUS.



UNIONS FAIL

Auditor Believes Expenditure Complain of Bad Treatment Ignore Communication From the Restaurant Keepers to Meet Them in Conference.

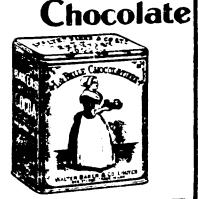
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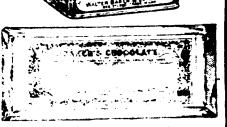
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VERY Hat, trimmed and untrimmed, in our stock has been reduced nearly ONE-HALF and will be placed on sale this morning. We intend to get rid of all stock in our millinery department, and have marked the lowest sale price at the commencement of the clearance, so marked the lowest sale price at the commencement of the clearance, so that every one of our customers will have equal chance for a fine bargain. Our millinery department has gone through a most successful season, and the workmanship and Hats turned out by it were not excelled or even equaled by any other store in this city. We had splendid importations, a few of which are still in stock. We don't want to carry anything over the new year and have made it an object for you to visit our rooms.

ELEGANT BLACK GAINSBOROUGH HAT, with long \$6.98 ELEGANT BLACK GAINSBOROUGH HAT, with long black plume and trimmed with black satin ribbon; black ribbon black plume and trimmed with black satin ribbon; black ribbon bandeaux. Worth \$ 0.00.

SHIRRED BLACK VELVET TURBAN, Empire shape; pompon and greettes complete trimming. Regular \$8.50 value.

JET HAT, WITH HIGH CROWN, finished with bunch of Prince of

Vales tips and velvet trimmings. Regular \$10.00 hat.

FANCY BRAID TURBAN, trimmed with swansdown, pompon and velvet. /orth \$8.50.

HANDSOME SHADED TAN BEAVER, Continental shape. It has a white and tan pompon and brown velvet trimming. Valued at \$9.00.

BEAUTIFUL WHITE MALINE HAT, with long white plume and trim-

WHITE FELT GAINSBOROUGH trimmed with cut Ostrich \$3.48 WHITE FELT GAINSBURGE Worth \$6.50.
WHITE ASTRAKHAN GAGE HAT trimmed with wings

nd cream velvet. Valued at \$6.50.

BLUE CHENILLE AND FELT TURBAN trimmed with blue military. ELEGANT GRAY FELT trimmed with gray tips and shades of old rose

MISSES' CASTOR BEAVER trimmed in two shades of red. Worth \$6.00.

Children's Hats

\$1.95 RED FELT trimmed with red satin ribbon. Poke shape. A bargain.
TAN VELVET shape with trimmings of pink silk. Very pretty.

Untrimmed Hats 75c.—Children's sailor hats; all colors. These hats were sold at \$1.50.

50c.—Untrimmed hats. All colors. \$1.50—Untrimmed velvet shapes; three styles.

\$1.98—Fancy Braid shapes. \$2.98—Fancy shapes in black and pretty colors. Worth \$4.50.

\$1.00—Black felt untrimmed shapes.

75c.—Cut Ostrich pompons.
25c. and 50c.—Coque pompons.

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