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ish man in their arms and carried him to the waiting ambulance. The aged millionaire, unconscious of what was going on, prattled on to the men who were carrying him and seemed oblivious that he was being taken from his home

down in the doorway while they prepared the wagon for him. After the horses had been turned heading toward the gateway the men returned for the aged capitalist. They carried him down the stairway in spite of the pleadings of Miss Sutro.

ambulance through the doorway that opened in the rear of the wagon, when Miss Sutro grasped the whip from the seat of the conveyance and gave the horses a stinging cut that started them to wreck the ambulance and so thwart the designs of her sister and the guardian of her father until she could summon assistance from her brothers and so keep the declining philanthropist at his home until the end of the few days

he has left on earth. Away the horses went down the driveway, overturning the statuary that peeps from the shrubbery and which has made the Sutro Heights of world-wide fame. The horses, however, trained to drag an ambulance and to avoid obstacles with the vehicle behind them made a poor runaway. They circled around the grounds a few times and came to a standstill in the main driveway without doing much damage to the rig. There their drivers caught them and soon had them at the door of the residence again. In the ambulance the feeble old man was placed and he was soon on the way to the residence of Mrs. Dr. Merritt at the corner of Van Ness avenue and Sutter street. The reasons alleged by Mrs. Dr. Merof the stricken capitalist. Edgar E. Sutro, a son of the ex-Mayor, left a sick bed last night for the purpose of refuting the story that his father had been kidnaped. He stated that he had seen him at 1 o'clock at his sister's home, looking contented and enjoyed the best of health. He knew of his removal from the Heights and said it was done for the purpose of giv-ing him the best of care, which could not be given him out there. He said the kidnaping story had been circu-lated by disappointed parties and thought it outrageous. When told that a story was in circuritt for wishing to place her father in her own house are that by so doing she will be better able to watch over him and give him such medical care and attention as his condition warrants. She claims that as his legal guardian she has a perfect right to make such disposition of his person as may seem to her best, provided that her desires in

this matter do not run contrary to any established social or legal requirements. She asserts that her rights in the premises are those of a parent over a child. There are others who profess to be-

lieve that Mrs. Dr. Merritt's motives for wishing to remove her father from his place of asylum at Sutro Heights contemplate something more than a wish to insure his physical comfort.

In order not to be misunderstood Mr. Sutro wrote and signed the following These persons say that the ill-feeling statement: that is known to have existed for some "I deny that my father was kidnap-ed, but he was removed from Su-tro Heights to Dr. Merritt's residence, time between the two sisters has had the effect of inspiring a fear in the

the effect of inspiring a rear in the mind of Mrs. Merritt that if left in the care of her sister her father might, in his present enfeebled state of mind, be induced to subscribe his name to some document whereby all or a part of his estate would be deeded or willed to

who are antagonistic to Mrs. Merritt's interests ----

bly taken from the home he built and loved so well by his guardian and daughter.

When told that a story was in circu-

ation that Mr. Sutro was kidnaped he ridiculed the idea. "If he had been, do you think I would

stay in bed and ocen, do you think I would stay in bed and not make an effort to find him? The fact is, he is at my sis-ter's home."

ceeding in court to-day, having for its purpose the release of Miss Clara Sutro and perhaps her brother 'rom the bond of Mrs. Merritt as trustee of her father's estate. It is trobable that the court will be petitioned to appoint a new guardian and trustee, and if so the allegations that will be made in support of the petition will no doubt enumerate all of the causes that have led to the division of the Sutro family against itself. When the family skele-ton, if there be one, is haled into court there will be a rattling of dry bones that may not prove uninteresting to those who are interested in the fortunes of the stricken capitalist. Edgar E. Sutro, a son of the ex-

The remains have been taken charge of by the Coroner preliminary to the in-quest, but they will be interred by the Odd Fellowse Odd Fellows

## U. S. COURT OF APPEALS.

They Will Meet in Portland and Seattle for the Hearing of Certain Cases.

The United States Court of Appeals

yesterday made new regulations, the most important being the change of the

places of sitting and the cases to be heard at each place. They will hereafter meet annually in the city of Seattle, beginning

annually in the city of Seattle, beginning on the second Monday in September, and in Portland on the third Monday. All Washington and Oregon cases will be heard in Seattle and Portland unless it shall have been specially stipulated that they shall be heard in San Francisco. All Idaho and Montana cases will be heard in San Francisco unless stipulated to be heard in Portland or Seattle.

Read the exceedingly interesting story of Neptune's visit to the big battle-ship Oregon when she crossed the line lately, written by one of the

All From the Buck ye State. officers, in next Sunday's Call. There was a pleasant gathering at the residence of Captain Cassius P. Wright of the Police Department at 3980 Nine- Try our \$1 Eyeglasses. 710 Market & 11 Geary

berg were added to the committee on entertainment. R. H. Webster's name was added to the committee on schools. was added to the committee on schools. Dr. W. E. Hopkins, surgeon general of California, was made a committee on purchasing. A resolution authorizing the treasurer, William Alvord, of the Bank of California, to disburse funds only on warrants drawn by the presi-dent and secretary was passed. The committee adjourned to meet on Saturday evening. May 7. at 8 o'clock, at the Red Cross Society's headquar-ters, rooms 204-5-6-7 second floor Claus Spreckels building. witness also detailed the manner in which the contractor had reaped rich profits by reason of other changes au-thorized by Architect Swain and ap-proved by Commissioner Colnon. He proved by Commissioner Colnon. He also told how the law had been evaded in regard to the manner in which vent pipes and other vital portions of the plumbing system had been constructed. Howard C. Holmes, chief engineer for the Harbor Commission, was one of the

the Harbor Commission, was one of the witnesses examined during the course of the afternoon. He was asked re-garding changes in plans and specifi-cations authorized by Architect Swain and Commissioner Colnon, but was un-able to throw any light on the subject to say that he knew that many Spreckels building.

## BADLY BATTERED. Henri Jannaud Wants Edward Bitter

and Louis Dutilleul Arrested. Henri Jannaud, 9 Carlos place, swore to a complaint in Judge Low's court yester-day for the arrest of Edward Bitter and Louis Dutilleul on a charge of battery. Jannaud stated that Dutilleul had represented to him that he was a detective and told him that he knew who really murdered Mrs. Clute. He said it was not Hoff but Bitter, and he would at the proper time prove it. Bitter and Dutilleul called at his house Wednesday night and without saving

Wednesday night and without saying a word to him commenced to thrash him. He was knocked down by a blow from some blunt instrument and then he was beaten over the head until he became un-conscious

"Don't give up the ship" and other famous American battle cries; their full stories told in next Sunday's Call.

A Patriotic Family.

Three sons of Sergeant Green of the police force were yesterday sworn in as members of the Hospital Corps of the done according to the protocol of the contract. The Grand Jury also devoted con-siderable time during the session to go-ing into the details concerning the manner in which the contracts for stone and terra cotta work have been manipulated. Among the witnesses ex-amined on this particular subject were P. McG. McBean, J. W. McKay and Thomas Butler. Considerable attention was also paid to the contracts for gal-vanized iron work, steam heating and structural iron work. The evidence taken up to the present time is considered to be merely prelimi-First Regiment, N. G. C. They are Ed-ward, 21 years of age; James, 20, and George, 19. The only regret of the ser-geant is that the other six sons are too young to be enrolled and that he himself is too old.

Held to Answer.

G. H. Gannon was yesterday held to answer before the Superior Court by Judge Low on a charge of grand larceny in \$2000 bonds. April 5 he hired a horse and buggy from C. Jensen, a livery stable-time is considered to be merely prelimi-nary, it being the intention of the Watsonville.

**Robbing the Eastern Merchants** and Bankers Under False

Pretenses.

Claims to Be a Local Newspaper Correspondent and Circulates

Bogus Drafts Broadcast. William Lodtmann, who recently con

tributed several articles to local papers, has proved without a chance for contradiction that a black sheep has worked his way into the newspaper world. After he left this city he made his way north and thence East, and during his trip has more than made his expenses in a questionable manner. except to say that he knew that many such changes had been authorized and that in some instances the contractor had been required to reduce the amount

According to complaints made from various sources, Lodtmann is at present paiming himself off as a correspondent of Money is asked for, a draft given on the cashier of the paper and the trick is done.

had been required to reduce the amount of his contract and in others the con-tractor had been paid considerable sums in addition to the amount speci-fied in his contract. Whether or not the rebates were too small and the addi-tions too large he was unable to state, as his duties did not compel him to have anything to do with the supervis-ion of the construction work on the building. He said that in his opinion the Harbor Commission had paid Con-tractor Cronan a sum approximating \$3000 over and above the original con-tract price for work that was included The last victim heard from is the firm of Brown, Page and Hillman Company of Peoria, Ill., who are losers to the extent of \$10, odtmann gave the firm a draft for \$19, and after purchasing a few ar-ticles, which he ordered shipped to Terre Haute, Ind., received money in change. The goods have since been returned to the firm. Lodtmann has circulated the drafts broadcast, and as he is a man of more than ordinary intelligence, there seems to be field difficulty for him to "play" his game successfully. The man is tall of stature with a mill-tary bearing, blonde complexion with a light colored heavy mustache, speaks with a German accent, and is in all probability well connected in his native country. He is middle aged and slightly squints his eyes while engaged in conversations, which he carries on in a clever and in-teresting way. There are many men throughout the country who are extreme-\$3000 over and above the original con-tract price for work that was included in the original contract. Also that Cro-nan had been permitted to perform the work in a manner contrary to the pro-visions of the contract, the finished work being much inferior in point of strength, durability and cost to what it would have been had the work been done according to the provisions of the contract

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not be a happy, helpful amiable wife who suffers from weakness and disease at the very mainsprings of her nature. Pity may grow up to take its place, but love itself seldom survives where this is the case. If a woman will, she may always hold her place in a man's mind and heart. If she will take the right care of herself in a womanly way she will never lose her rightful inheritance, a hus-

band's love. The best of all known medicines for women is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It acts directly on the important and delicate organs that make wifehood and motherhood possible and makes them strong and well. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration, soothes pain and tones up and builds up tired nerves. It pre-pares for almost pangless motherhood and insures healthy children. Thousands of women who were sickly, nervous, fretful The Call, and in a plausible way relates time being. He then tells a connected story and produces letters and papers which seem to bear out his explanations. Money is asked for a draft after the tells a connected who women who were sickly, hervous, iterini invalids are now happy, cheerful and helpful wives as a result of its use. All good medicine dealers keep it and there is nothing "just as good." Any dealer who tries to persuade you that there is, helplui wives as a result of its use. All good medicine dealers keep it and there is nothing "just as good." Any dealer who tries to persuade you that there is, is thinking more of his profit than of your welfare and health.

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