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Glen Ellen COLUMN.

Society Notices.

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P H
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FRUIT & FLOWERS

PEAR BLIGHT.

is Unusually Abundant This Year.
Cutting it Out.
Pear blight has been unusually abundant the present season, and it has done great damage to orchards. Fruit cutting out the blight may be done at any time in the winter or spring up to the period when growth begins. The best time, however, is undoubtedly in the fall, when the foliage is still on the trees and the contrast between that on the blighted and that on the healthy limbs is so great that it is an easy matter to find all the blight. It is important to cut out blight whenever it is found, even in the growing season. At that time of year, however, it cannot be hoped to make much headway against the disease, as new cases constantly occur which are sufficiently developed to be seen when the cutting is done. In orchards where there are only a few trees and the owner has sufficient time to go over them daily he will be able to save some which would otherwise be lost. However, when the trees stop forming new wood the campaign should begin in earnest.

Of course the greater part of the blight can be taken out the first time the trees are gone over. If this be in midsummer, the trees should all be again carefully inspected in the autumn, just before the leaves shed, so as to get every case that can be seen at that time. After this a careful watch should be kept on the trees, and at least one more careful inspection given in spring before the blossoms open. It would doubtless be well to look the trees over several times during the winter to be certain that the blight is completely exterminated. In order to do the inspecting thoroughly it is necessary to go from tree to tree down the row or in the case of large trees to walk up on one side of the row and then down the other, as in simply walking through the orchard it is impossible to be certain that every case of blight has been cut out.

A careful inspection of all pomaceous trees should be made two or three times during the summer and a sharp lookout kept for the first appearance of the blight. It usually takes two or three years for the disease in an orchard to develop into a serious epidemic, but the early removal of the first cases will prevent this and save a great deal of labor later and many valuable trees.—B. T. Galloway.

A Good Geranium For the House.
What are known in gardening as the family of geraniums really belong to the neighboring genus pelargonium, and the branch that is popular in gardening represents the Pelargonium zonale, the zoned or "horseshoe" leaved, though they usually go under the name of scarlet or bedding geraniums.



GERANIUM HALL CAINE.
ums. By selection from natural departs, or "sports," as the gardeners say, or by crossing one sport by another sport innumerable varieties have been produced.

The illustration given herewith is of the English round petaled section. Mr. C. W. Ward gives the following account of it, says Meehan's Monthly: "The Hall Caine geranium belongs to the English round flowered section. This section is not as a rule suitable for bedding out in American climate, but should be used for conservatory or decoration alone. We have on our premises about 30 varieties of this section covering a wide range of color. In fact, it covers the widest range of color of any section of the single flowered Pelargonium zonale. Individual flowers of this section sometimes measure 2 1/2 inches to 3 inches in diameter. The frusses are not very large, the habits of the plants are generally dwarf, and the trusses are usually borne on strong footstalks held well aloft."

Quick Growing Vines.
For a quick animal creeper to cover a wall nothing surpasses the Cohen scandens for rapid growth and large handsome flowers. A plant set in June soon covers a large area and blooms and remains green till late fall. Madras and moonflower vines and morning glories are other good quick growing vines.

Floral Notes.
Chrysanthemum cuttings can be rooted indoors at almost any time, but the best months are November and December.

The century plant requires little or no water in winter if kept moderately dry.

A little insect similar to that which has for some years attacked aster plants has this season damaged Clematis paniculata by eating it at the ground line.

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Her Knowledge of Chinese.

A young woman of a reputation as a profound linguist in a rather odd manner. She called one day at a Chinese laundry where she had left a shirt waist, but it could not be found, as there was no entry in the book of hieroglyphs corresponding to her pink slip. After half an hour's search the Chinaman found the entry. A mistake had been made, so the entry was crossed out and a new set of hieroglyphs in Chinese characters placed below. She was told that the waist would be laundered immediately, and she could get it the next day.

The next day the young woman called for it, accompanied by three other young women. At the scene the excitement of a visit to the Chinese laundry is not to be despised. The Chinaman to whom the pink slip was presented was not the laundryman of the day before, and he experienced the same difficulty in finding the identifying character, finally saying, "Not in book."

The girl answered calmly, "I can find it," and the Chinaman allowed her to take the book. Turning the leaves until she came to one that had an entry crossed out with another in Chinese characters under it, she handed it to the Chinaman. "There it is," and to his surprise, he found it.

"You only say I know spik Chinese," he said, and the other girls looked upon her with admiration.—Kansas City World.

The Unique Horn of the Unicorn.
The horn of a unicorn was shown at Windsor castle and in 1598 was valued at over £10,000. Lewis Vertomannus, a gentleman of Rome, says with his own eyes two unicorns presented to the sultan of Mecca by a king of Ethiopia. They were in a park of the temple of Mecca and were not much unlike a colt of 30 months of age. This was in 1503. The animal became extinct about the end of the seventeenth century.

The unicorn is represented in the ruins at Persepolis and was adopted by the Persians as the emblem of speed and strength. In the middle ages it was the symbol of purity. The unicorn hated the elephant, and it used to whet his horn on a stone before it struck the foe in the abdomen. No family, by the way, should be without one of these horns, the average length of which is four feet. They defend from witchcraft. Thus Torquemada had one all ways on his writing table. Furthermore, a drinking cup made from one will be a safeguard against poison, as will the ground powder put in drink, and indeed the wells of the palace of St. Mark could not be poisoned in the good old days of adventure because these beneficent horns had been thrown into them. Unicorn's horn was formerly sold by apothecaries at \$120 an ounce.—Boston Journal.

Pat Policemen.
"Have you ever noticed that nearly all policemen get fat?" asked a man who keeps his eyes open. "This would seem to disprove the theory that walking in the open air is a means of reducing superfluous weight. I have known new policemen to start on their bears weighing no more than 125 pounds. In six months they would tip the scales at 150 and in a year reach the 200 mark. It must be the slow sauntering in the open air that does it, for I have noticed that while policemen grow fat the house sergeants, who are confined to the stations, are invariably thin. Those who patrol the streets gain the maximum weight in about three years. The muscles then harden, and despite their apparent burden of flesh the men usually develop great activity. One of the best runners and jumpers I know is a policeman who weighs nearly 300 pounds."—Philadelphia Record.

A Bishop's Retort.
At a dinner party a young man was once talking rather foolishly about Darwin and his books, and then said to the bishop of Winchester (Wilberforce), "My lord, have you read Darwin's last book on the 'Descent of Man'?" "Yes, I have," said the bishop, whereupon the young man continued: "What nonsense it is talking of our being descended from apes! Besides, I can't see the use of such stuff. I can't see what difference it would make to me if my grandfather was an ape."

"No," the bishop replied; "I don't see that it would. But it must have made an amazing difference to your grand mother!"
"The young man had no more to say."

Heard Him Sigh.
"I have been sitting on the porch listening to the sighing of the wind," she said sentimentally by way of explanation of her long absence from the house.

"Yes; I heard him sigh," promptly put in the small boy.
"Him? Who?" demanded the head of the household.
"Why, that young fellow you always said was nothing but wind," answered the boy. And thus was the secret betrayed.—Chicago Post.

Undertook Too Much.
"George," said Mrs. Ferguson, "for heaven's sake straighten up! You're worse hump shouldered than ever!" "Laura," retorted Mr. Ferguson, "be satisfied with having married me to reform me. When you try to reshape me, you are undertaking too much."—Chicago Tribune.

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At the time of the Roman occupation of Britain five distinct species of dogs were there, most of which can with certainty be identified with those of the present day. There were the house dog, the greyhound, the bulldog, the terrier and the slowhound.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 14, 1900

When the bids for the construction of the new battleships and cruisers were opened by the Secretary of the Navy last Monday it was found that the bids made by the Union Iron Works of San Francisco were lower than their eastern competitors on one first class battleship and two armored cruisers. The awards will be made in a few weeks. This means another Oregon and two more Olympias for the United States Navy.

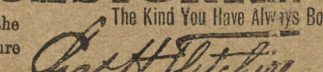
When a wagon wheel runs in a rut worn deep by use it is hard to change its course; so it is with the text book system of California. Parents have submitted patiently—at least with only a complaint to their children—to a continual purchase of new books sent out by the state printing office after having been compiled by men apparently unacquainted, in most cases, with the subject matter required and holding their positions by political influence. This system has not only cost the state thousands of dollars for almost worthless books but it has also cost the parents much money which they could ill afford. This is only looking at the financial side of the question without regard to the inconvenience placed upon the teachers and pupils. The coming session of Legislature should abolish this system and appoint a committee of competent educators to devise a new system that will be based on the quality of the books and not on a political and money basis.

A GROWING INDUSTRY

When one stops to consider the greatness of the oil industry of this state, which is practically in its infancy, there is every reason to believe that California is on the verge of an excitement which will surpass—in at least two respects—the gold excitement of '49. They may be summed up thus: safer and less expensive for the small investors; a more permanent business and larger returns for those who engage therein. The cost of developing an oil well is only about one-fifth as much as that of a gold mine. In gold mining when the pick is laid down the returns immediately stop but this is not the case in oil mining. When a well is completed the expense virtually ceases and the returns begin to come in without ceasing day or night. The output of wells vary from 40 to 500 barrels per day and is sold according to grade at about \$1.00 per barrel.

The extent of the oil bearing territory in this state has not yet been determined and development work in this line is now in progress from the northern to the southern boundaries of the state.

The most prosperous and favorable fields are found in Kern county from which locality is daily shipped about fifty carloads of this new product. Among other companies operating in this favorable locality is the Bay City Oil company which has proven its territory by penetrating an oil sand at a depth of over 500 feet which now keeps about 14 feet of oil in the well while further drilling is in progress. The first information regarding this strike was received here by wire last Friday much to the satisfaction and agreeable surprise of many. This company has a number of stockholders in this valley who on learning the good news immediately increased their holdings. The Bay City Oil Co. is conceded to be one of the best companies operating in Kern county.

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EL VERANO LOCALS
 Items Gathered by Observation and Hearsay.

Frank Freggero has purchased two lots from C. Aguilon. The section men are doing some repair work on the S. P. track here. On the day of their arrival they were enquiring for the Opera house.

Frank Riser was out of town a few days the fore part of the week.

E. P. Lounibos transacted business in the metropolis Saturday.

J. D. Grouper was in the city Saturday.

O. W. Nordwell was up from San Francisco Sunday.

Wm. Baines visited his mother at this place one day last week.

P. Olson of this place was a Saturday passenger to the city.

Supervisor Putnam passed through here Wednesday.

Mrs. L. L. Lewis and daughter came up from Sacramento yesterday and are stopping at the Yulpa ranch above town. They were accompanied by Mr. Oliver of the capital city.

It is said that the Maxwell ranch has been leased by John Lounibos for a term of years.

Mrs. C. F. Carmer was called to Oakland to attend the funeral of her sister Mrs. J. H. Henn, which took place in that city Wednesday.

Miss Louisa Weaver of Glen Ellen is visiting at the Weaver homes.

The fight as to who will be road master in this district for the coming four years waxes very warm. If the successful one fills the position as ably and well as the present incumbent, Mr. C. F. Carmer, the people will have no reason to complain.

One of our popular young men has gone to the county seat and it is whispered around that he is contemplating breaking away from the bachelor's club of which institution he has been a well known member for many years.

Storekeeper Mullen is putting in a supply of Xmas goods.

Geo. Laux a rising young breakman of the Santa Fe system appeared on our streets Wednesday.

We see by last week's EXPOSITOR that A. W. Weaver is closing out his business. I think there is a mistake for on the first of the week he was seen in the old shop at this place kicking up a big dust and there was enough old junk thrown out to give old Junky a good load. His neighbors are all rejoicing at his coming home the first of the year to help them out.

Paid Dear for His Leg
 B. D. Blanton of Thackerville Tex. in two years paid over \$800 to doctors to cure a running sore. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles, 25c a box. Sold by Ed. Wegner druggists.

Get yourself a good watch from Steuben while they are going so cheap.

The motion in the agreement case in the Wickersham will contest was partially settled Saturday and submitted on briefs. The main reason given for wanting a dismissal is to try all points in the litigation at once.

There is likely to be something of a fight over the bill for the reduction of the war revenue taxes. Each member of the house has this bill. Some have breweries, others patent medicine factories and still other commercial bodies, all desirous of securing a repeal or substantial reduction of the war revenue act in so far as it affects them. It has seemed best to the subcommittee drafting the bill, from sources regarded as reliable, to remove almost all of the taxes on proprietary medicines and to reduce or remove the taxes on mortgages, telegrams, and express receipts. This relieves almost every interest concerned, except the brewers, the tobacco manufacturers and sellers and the sleeping car companies. Owing to the vigorous protests made by the tobacco men it is now believed they will be relieved of a portion of the extra taxes, but no hopes expressed for the brewers.

SHELLVILLE PENNINGS.
 Late Happenings in our Little Burg

M. P. Akers, Miss Mattie Goodman, Mrs. Cassabohn and Mrs. Lawlor attended the Eastern Star meeting at Sonoma Thursday evening.

Wm. Hotle of Sebastopol spent Saturday with Shellville friends.

Miss Grace Lawlor is visiting in Petaluma this week.

Miss Geneva Taggot of Grass Valley paid a brief visit to Shellville friends Thursday while en route home.

Mr. and Mrs. Merriam took Thursday afternoon's C. & N. train for the metropolis.

Joe. Kiser visited in Vallejo Sunday.

Jas. McMackin who has been ill with a bad cold and severe attack of rheumatism for some time past is now much improved.

A hunter from San Francisco was arrested on the C. & N. train Sunday afternoon by Constable Ohm and taken before Judge Cheney where he plead guilty of trespassing and was let off with a fine.

The section crews from Napa and Glen Ellen superintended by Roadmaster McQuade assisted the Shellville crew in the work of lining the track Tuesday.

Wm. Donahue arrived Tuesday evening from Portland, Oregon, for a vacation which he will spend at his old home at Embarcadero.

San Luis grammar school will close this week for the winter vacation.

A. Cook came up from San Francisco Wednesday evening returning Thursday morning.

M. Watt had the misfortune Sunday of falling from a pruning ladder and breaking one of his ribs.

William H. Coombs of Napa Dead
 Last Friday William H. Coombs died at his Napa home. He was a native of California fifty-five years of age. He was a graduate of West Point Military Academy and for a short time served as a Second Lieutenant of Cavalry. He resigned from the service of the United States and was appointed to a position in the Mint at San Francisco. He was a man of great intellectual ability and his many friends not only in Napa, but in other parts of the state as well, will be grieved to learn of his death. He was a brother of Congressman-elect Frank L. Coombs from this district.

A Compromise
 A compromise has been arranged between Senator Porter Ashe and Mrs. Teresa Bell. By this agreement Senator Ashe and the Ruinhart Stock Farm company are to vacate the Bell place at Glen Ellen by January 1st 1901. In consideration of this Mrs. Bell will not collect the years rental of \$1000 as awarded her by Judge Barnett two weeks ago. Senator Ashe's lease was to run three years longer.

Board of Education
 The county board of education met last Saturday in the office of the county superintendent and made the final arrangement for the teachers examinations which were held the fore part of the week in Amory hall. The entire board was present with President Benj. Weed in the chair.

A business college which has held prominence for fifty years in thoroughness of instruction and great variety of business is Head's Business College of San Francisco. Many of our business men today owe their success to the training they received at Head's. At present it is better equipped than ever and offers a chance for training in almost every branch of business. Prof. E. P. Heald, the president and founder, an educator for more than half a century, has associated with him as chief executive officer, Prof. J. H. Aydelette, long time principal of the Business College of Oakland, and also a corps of efficient teachers in all branches. We call the attention of our readers to their ad. which appears in another column.

GLEN ELLEN JOYTINGS.
 Seen and Heard in the Summer Resort.

At the regular meeting of the Glen Ellen Grange last Friday the following officers were elected: James W. Gibb, master; John W. Wood, overseer; Thomas Johnson, lecturer; A. V. Chase, steward; James Cowan, assistant steward; Mrs. Joel Zane, chaplain; C. J. Poppe, secretary; Thomas Smith, gatekeeper; Mrs. C. J. Poppe, Ceres; Mrs. Charles Kennedy, Pomona; Mrs. John Wood, Flora; Miss N. Bishop, lady assistant steward; Thomas Wagoner, trustee; Joel Zane, Treasurer.

Henry Martens has gone to southern California where a good position has been offered him.

The entertainment given at the Home last Friday evening was largely attended and a very enjoyable affair.

The Glen Ellen Native Sons elected officers last Saturday.

Mrs. A. C. Clark, who is visiting friends in Grass Valley, was taken ill and will be unable to return home for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bosch have moved on their farm near the warm springs where they will reside in the future.

An exhibition of art will take place at the Dunbar school next Saturday. The price of admission will be 10 cents. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the school.

Mrs. O. Gordenker who has been quite ill is now gradually improving.

Schieck Bros. have sold their wine and are now busy hauling the same.

Angelo Bocca is seriously ill with a gripe.

The public school will close next Friday after a very successful term of five months.

Shooting Notices.
 We have a lot of notices to hunters printed on cloth, which we are selling quite reasonable.

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 All kinds of cement work. Monuments, Head stones, Tablets and walls of every description. Also Lettering and Gilding. Lots billed and kept in order.
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A. W. Gunnison, an insurance surveyor, was in town Wednesday receiving applications for new ratings, changes and complaints for violation of Board of Fire Underwriters rules.

Owing to the exorbitant charges made by the transportation companies for carrying Uncle Sam's mail bags the receipts of the Post-office Department are not sufficient to meet the expenditures. Congress should regulate the transportation charges so that both ends can be made to meet in the financial running of the Department.

Last Wednesday twelve representative citizens of Sonoma county outside of Santa Rosa were chosen by Judge S. K. Dougherty to hear the evidence and render a verdict in the condemnation suit brought by the City of Santa Rosa against the Fountain Water company and J. M. McDonald. The suit is brought to acquire for municipal purposes the waters of the well known Peter spring, the ten acre tract upon which the spring is located and a right of way to the premises. The city is represented by Attorneys Vaughan and Seawell. Colonel J. W. Oates and J. M. Barnett of San Francisco are the attorneys for the defence.

Just Saved His Life
 It was a thrilling escape that Charles Davis of Bowerson, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures for 25 years, proven its power to cure Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottle free at Ed. Wegner's drug store.

CHURCH NOTICES.
Congregational Church
 Rev. Chas. D. Milliken, Pastor. Services: Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. service at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesdays at 2:30 p. m. Junior Endeavor meeting, Friday at 8:15 p. m. Ladies' Aid Society and Missionary Society meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month.
Methodist Episcopal Church
 Rev. J. J. Pardo, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. on Sunday.
Episcopal Services
 Episcopal services will be held in the San Luis school house the first Sunday of each month at 11 o'clock a. m. W. L. Clark, Rector.
Catholic Church.
 Rev. W. P. Quill Rector. Mass. Sundays, 8:30 a. m. and 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45. Week days 7:30 a. m.

LODGE NOTICES
F & A M
 TEMPLE LODGE No. 14 meets in the Masonic Hall on the Tuesday evening on or preceding the full moon of each month.
IOOF
 SONOMA LODGE, No. 28 meets at Odd Fellows' Hall every Saturday evening at 7:30 p. m.
 BERKMAN DOBBS LODGE, No. 90 meets in Odd Fellows hall on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month.
OES
 VALLEY OF THE MOON CHAPTER, No. 85, meets in the Masonic hall on the Thursday evening on or preceding the full moon of each month.
Y M I
 No. 45 meets the first Wednesday evenings in each month in Odd Fellows' hall.
A O U W
 PUEBLO LODGE No. 108 meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month at Odd Fellows hall.
O O F
 SONOMA VINEYARD COUNCIL, No. 102 meets the first and third Friday of each month in Odd Fellows' hall.
N S G W
 SONOMA PARLOR No. 111 meets on the first Monday Evening of each month at Odd Fellows' hall.
U O D
 SONOMA GROVE No. 75 meets on the first and third Friday in each month at Odd Fellows' hall.

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Leaves Sonoma		From Nov. 7, '00		Arrive Sonoma	
Wk days	Sundays	Destination	Sundays	Wk days	
6.18 a. m.	6.40 a. m.	S. F., S. Rafael intermediates	10.25 a. m.	10.30 a. m.	
2.45 p. m.	3.37 p. m.	Glen Ellen	7.15 p. m.	7.20 p. m.	
10.30 a. m.	10.25 a. m.	Petalu, S. Rosa intermediates	6.40 a. m.	6.18 a. m.	
7.20 p. m.	7.15 p. m.	C. V. L. H. (Sb) rg intermediates	3.37 p. m.	2.45 p. m.	
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2.45 p. m.	3.37 p. m.	Sebastopol and intermediates	7.15 p. m.	7.20 p. m.	
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 Victims to stomach, liver and kidney trouble, as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner of Idaville, Ind. says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and a good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a good lease on life." Only 50c at Ed. Wegner's Drug Store. Every bottle Guaranteed.

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Notice of Dissolution of Partnership
 NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned E. P. Thompson and M. S. Webber in the business of general storekeepers and merchants at the City of Sonoma, State of California, has been dissolved and that said business will henceforth be carried on by said E. P. Thompson who assumes and will pay all the debts due by the partnership.
 Dated this 24th day of September, 1900.
 E. P. THOMPSON,
 M. S. WEBBER.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 In the matter of the Estate of KUNIGUNDA NAU, deceased.
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE undersigned, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Kunigunda Nau, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator with the will annexed, at the law office of Robert A. Payne, on the east side of the Plaza, in the City of Sonoma, county of Sonoma, State of California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate in said county of Sonoma, State of California.
 WILLIAM EDWARD GOETTE,
 Administrator of the Estate of Kunigunda Nau, deceased.
 Dated at Sonoma, Cal., September 21st, 1900.
 Robert A. Payne, Attorney for estate.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 Estate of Hobartha Sarah Merlino Jones, deceased.
 NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Hobartha Sarah Merlino Jones, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator at the law office of A. B. Ware in the City of Sonoma, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate in the county of Sonoma, State of California.
 LEOPOLD W. JUSEL,
 Administrator of the Estate of Hobartha Sarah Merlino Jones, deceased.
 Dated at Santa Rosa, Cal., August 21st, 1900.
 A. B. Ware, Attorney for Administrator.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

LATE HAPPENINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

Viewings of the Valley Taken at Random.

Miss May Estes spent Sunday with home folks.

Dr. A. E. Osborne of the Home was in town Wednesday.

Hugh G. Maxwell was a visitor to the metropolis Monday.

D. D. Davidson was down from Santa Rosa Saturday.

G. H. Hotz made a business trip to the metropolis Tuesday.

The high school will close for the holiday vacation next Friday.

Skelton Glaister transacted business in the bay city Monday.

Editor J. P. McDonnell was a visitor here from Sebastopol Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Perkins went to San Francisco Saturday for a brief visit.

Mrs. J. W. Morris transacted business in Oakland Wednesday and Thursday.

Chas. Humphreys was up from San Francisco Tuesday visiting relatives here.

Matthew Johnson was visiting his parents at the home of Captain Johnson Tuesday.

Miss Anne Fischer was a passenger to the bay city on the afternoon train Sunday.

Horace Appleton left Sunday for Sutter Creek Amador county, where a position awaits him.

W. E. Landgrebe, our tonorial artist, will in the future light his shaving parlors with electric lights.

Miss Cora Perkins returned on the evening train Monday after a three days visit in the bay city.

L. Modini, who has been dangerously ill for several weeks is much improved and is able to be up again.

J. J. Dunbar was among the many Sonomaites who were transacting business in the metropolis Monday.

Prof. B. J. Weed was in Santa Rosa Saturday attending to his duties as a member of the Board of Education.

Mr. A. Wilson of San Jose is in town superintending the operation of the Trullinger Generator in the electric light works.

Mrs. Spencer returned home Monday evening after a five weeks visit in San Francisco with her daughter Mrs. Hooper.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Humphreys of Nevada was visiting at the Humphreys home on Broadway a few days this week.

Since the Union hotel closed its doors people are going to the Toscano hotel which is making a name for itself as a first class hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gage of Santa Rosa visited friends here Tuesday. Mr. Gage is conductor on the Santa Rosa branch of the Southern Pacific.

Miss McCulloch has resigned her position as assistant principal in our high school. The resignation is to take effect at the close of the term.

Hon. R. A. Poppe was representing Sonoma city at the convention of California Municipalities which is being held in San Francisco this week.

U. S. Guager R. A. Temple gauged several thousand gallons of brandy Monday for the P. P. Berges winery. It was then given into the care of Storekeeper McGimsey.

W. N. McGill returned from Mendocino county Tuesday evening where he has rented a stock ranch. He reports the weather in that county as being delightful and is entirely free from fog.

The board of directors of the electric light company are again using the crude oil gas generator. This time it is working alright but will be given a thirty days trial before its final adoption. It is rumored that their is going to be a change in the management, but this is not confirmed.

MAY BURN OIL.

California Petroleum May be Used at the Home in Place of Wood and Coal

The advisability of substituting crude petroleum burners for the furnaces now in use at the Feeble Minded Home is being thoroughly investigated by the Board of Trustees. The investigation so far has brought out the facts that the fuel bills at the present time amount to forty three dollars per day. The average monthly fuel bill now for a year is six hundred dollars. It is estimated that the substitution of the oil burners in place of the furnaces will reduce this fuel bill at least fifty per cent. This will be quite an item in the expense bill of the Home and will give a market for the consumption of the crude petroleum of the California wells.

The practicability of the proposed substitution will probably be made next spring. Hon. R. A. Poppe one of the board of trustees has been appointed to go farther with the investigation and to report to the board the results. He will leave in a few days for Stockton and other places to observe the practical use of this new fuel in factories and institutions now using it.

Sportsman Runs Amuck

Last Sunday morning a San Francisco painter with sportsman tendencies, who later in the day gave his name as Phil. Edwards took his shot gun and two dogs and came up to our valley for a days hunting. He trespassed on the Spreckles place early in the afternoon and became rather demonstrative with his gun, when informed by Foreman Dalzel that no hunters were allowed on the premises. Mr. Dalzel immediately mounted his fast riding horse and came down to give Constable Ohm a description of the culprit, who in the mean time had taken the train for home laughing at the success of his bluff. When the train reached Schellville the constable got on and quickly spotted his man and placed him under arrest. He brought him to town and summoned Judge Cheney to issue the necessary warrant. The offender plead guilty to a charge of trespassing and was fined ten dollars. He thought this rather expensive for a days pleasure and with an eloquent plea for leniency which caused the Judge to reduce the fine to six dollars. It was promptly paid and Mr. Edwards took the next train for San Francisco hoping that his day's experience would not cost him his job. Constable Ohm has decided to make an example of these obnoxious gunners who come from the city with the idea that they can run things to suit their own convenience.

Grange Officers Elected

The El Verano Grange met last Saturday evening for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing term. The attendance was unusually large and much interest was taken in the gratifying reports made of the Grange's prosperous condition. The officers elected are as follows: R. J. Dowdall, master; A. D. Graham, overseer; F. A. Riser, lecturer; J. N. Dowdall, steward; J. La Torres, assistant steward; E. Faithful, chaplain; Frank Weaver treasurer; Miss E. Kearney, secretary; P. Olsen, gate keeper; Mrs. A. D. Graham, Ceres; Mrs. J. La Torres, Pomona; Mrs. F. A. Riser, Flora; Mrs. Frank Weaver, lady assistant steward; T. Skilman, trustee.

Ah Jim Died Yesterday

Yesterday Ah Jim an aged Chinaman employed on the J. B. Morris place near Agua Caliente died after many years spent as a laborer in this valley. Deceased was a native of China apparently about seventy years of age, and death was due to old age and general debility. The remains were laid to rest in the Valley Cemetery by Undertakers Clark and Albertson. Ah Jim has worked on the various ranches in our valley for many years and since he went to work for Mr. Morris he has been a regular Sunday passenger on the C. & N. road between Sonoma and Agua Caliente.

WRECKED BY WIND.

The Morris Home Badly Damaged by a Falling Tree This Morning

About 10:30 o'clock this morning when the terrific storm, which struck this portion of the valley, was at its height a large gum tree just north of the J. B. Morris home was uprooted and in falling struck the roof of the L of the house doing much damage to it. Fortunately no one was hurt by the falling tree or flying debris.

The storm has done considerable damage to trees and fences in all parts of the valley.

Will Give A Century Ball

With a feeling that the closing century should not die unattended and the new century born unescorted into time without an expression of enthusiasm and joy in Sonoma a few young men came together in the club room in the Clewe building last Tuesday night and organized a club for the purpose of their own entertainment and to occasionally give a dance or entertainment for the valley people in general.

The club is known as the Century Club and it has decided to give a grand new century ball on the night of December 31st. The members are sparing no pains to make the affair a fitting close for Old Nineteenth Century and one that shall ring through the years of New Twenty as the greatest social event held in Sonoma.

The ball will be held in Weyl's hall and music will be furnished by the Sonoma Dance Orchestra.

Auction Sale at Union Hotel

All the furniture and fixtures of the Union hotel were sold at auction last Monday and Tuesday. F. M. Ames, a former well known resident of the town, acted as auctioneer. In general the sale was considered a financial success. Of course some things of value were sold at a great sacrifice but this was made up on things of less value going at good figures.

Joe Ryan drove to Benicia Thursday to see his mother who is quite sick.

Mrs. Lizzie Carriger came up from San Francisco last night for a visit with valley friends.

FOR SALE CHEAP—A good brooder and brooding house. Enquire of Will Steuben, the jeweler.

Henry Cline of Santa Rosa was in town yesterday transacting business for the McDonald packing and store house.

As we go to press we are informed that a large barn on the Captain Boyce place has been badly wrecked by the wind storm this afternoon.

Rev. F. T. Addis has been assigned temporarily to the Methodist pulpit of this place because of the ill health of its regular pastor J. J. Pardee.

J. P. Weems will collect his accounts every month. After 30 days doing business in Sonoma he finds plenty 30 day trade to keep three men busy every month, every month.

The United States Senate's decisive action in the passage of the Davis amendment to the canal bill shows a just American determination not to be dictated to by Europe when it comes to managing our own affairs.

FOR RENT OR SALE CHEAP.—A blacksmith shop on west side of plaza. Apply to Mrs. A. McHARVEY.

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Fresh datés, oranges, Lemons, nuts, orange peel, citron, currants raisins, mince meat, 40 bbl. cranberries, and onions. J. P. Weems.

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Frank Burreis was down from Santa Rosa Sunday.

J. M. Berges spent Sunday at the Victoria winery.

Buy your Christmas presents at Steuben's jewelry store.

M. Turley, the Glen Ellen blacksmith was in town Sunday afternoon.

James Ruffner was a passenger to San Francisco on the afternoon train Sunday.

J. E. Kearney of El Verano is serving as one of the twelve men selected to serve on the jury in the water suit at Santa Rosa.

John Batto & Son are now engaged in buying and shipping hay. They are paying the highest market prices and will handle this product in any quantity.

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L. Litzius of San Francisco was in town Sunday shaking hands with his many friends. We are sorry to state however that it was with his left hand, as he received a scratch on one of the fingers of his right hand some four week ago and blood poison set in. It was feared at one time that amputation of the finger would be necessary as his hand and arm were so badly swollen.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach diseased portions of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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