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GOVERNOR BUDD'S REFORM.

The consolidation of State institutions proposed by Governor Budd, if carried into effect, means a vast saving to taxpayers and should have the united and earnest support of the press and people.

There are in California eighteen State institutions, located in eleven different counties, and the pay-roll of State officials and employes amounts annually to a grand total of \$1,758,228.00

Besides these State institutions there are thirty asylums and other institutions located in thirteen different counties, receiving aid from the State annually to the amount of \$284,533.00 California, with a population of about 1,500,000, expends nearly \$6,000,000 annually, for State purposes, or about \$4 per capita. A simple statement of the facts discloses the colossal extravagance of the existing system.

The California policy of multiplying these institutions and distributing them throughout the State, has proved not only costly in practice, but vicious in principle. It has rendered personal inspection and supervision by the Chief Executive difficult and next to impossible, and draws to the State capital at every session of the Legislature representatives of the various counties in which these numerous institutions are located, who pool issues, and through systematic log-rolling and lobbying, plunder the public treasury. If the proposition of Governor Budd cannot reach and cure all these evils, it will cure a portion, and greatly alleviate the remainder.

ENCOURAGE AND AID THE YOUNG MEN.

Some of the bright young men of our fair young city have organized a social club, which has for its object the social, mental and physical culture and improvement of its members. These young men are to take the places of their elders; they constitute a most important part of our population; their object is a most praiseworthy one; they deserve success, and, doubtless, will achieve it. They are entitled to both the moral and material encouragement and support of every good citizen.

We have a small army of young workingmen here who have no place in this town in which to pass a leisure hour, other than the barrooms of a saloon or the lounging-room of a hotel or boarding-house.

Such a social club as these young men have established and propose to maintain, is the forerunner of a well-equipped reading-room. A clean, quiet, inviting place where young men can meet, and read, write, or converse, at their pleasure and to their mutual benefit in every way.

The property owners and good citizens of our town can well afford aid in securing such an institution.

THE BAY SHORE RAILROAD.

The completion of the Southern Pacific Company's Coast Division line through to Elwood is an event looked forward to with interest by the people of the counties through which the road will pass, and by none more than by the citizens of our own county.

Recent movements have led many to hope that work on the Bay Shore portion will be commenced shortly, and another track added from San Francisco to Palo Alto or even to San Jose. We fear the realization of such hope will have to be placed much further in the future than we and many others would like to see it.

The Salinas Owl has been giving the subject some attention, and concludes that the gap to the south will not be closed much short of two years hence.

According to the Owl's statement, there are eleven viaducts yet to be built, which, with the present force, will require two years and, if rushed, will take fifteen months to finish.

THE CREELEY SCANDAL.

The charges which have obtained circulation concerning the practices of

Dr. Creely and young Goodspeed regarding private inspection of dairy cows in this county, are calculated to work serious injury to the dairymen of San Mateo county. The publicity given the matter will render it difficult for Creely or any one else to continue in the business. The reputable dairymen of San Mateo county are in favor of honest and thorough official inspection of dairy ranches, dairy stock and dairy products. Shysters or private inspectors or operators will not find customers among this class of dairymen.

The San Mateo County Board of Health is in earnest in the matter of dairy inspection and have the hearty support of the better class of dairymen in their efforts. The Board of Health and all reputable dairymen will aid the Grand Jury to the utmost in thoroughly sifting the Creely or any other crooked business which may threaten the reputation of San Mateo county's great dairy interests.

The Enterprise is bound to preach the gospel of tree planting at the risk of being put down as a monomaniac. If, by so doing, we can persuade people that the material salvation of our town depends upon planting and growing miniature groves and long avenues of green trees upon every available lot, nook and corner, and along every street of our own, we shall have had our reward and shall not mind the charge of tree-madness. We are more than gratified with the progress made in this good work the past week not only on account of the considerable addition to the number of trees which will, in time, adorn the streets and shelter the homes of our town, but the index it affords of an awakening of interest in this most important matter.

We trust to see a general movement started among our citizens to secure the planting of trees along the entire length of one or more down-town streets this season.

Property-owners will find that nothing can enhance the value of their holdings so greatly as a good row of trees. If anything is to be accomplished this season, whatever is done must be done quickly.

Fruit Duties.

The proposition of Mr. Elwood Cooper that horticulturists unite and sell no fruit under paying prices depends very much upon the action of Congress in fixing the duties on fruit. People will buy California fruit at paying prices, providing that they cannot get foreign fruit at prices that would not pay in California. The South of Europe fruit grower of cheaper labor and cheaper transportation. Fruit from the Mediterranean can be landed in Atlantic ports at lower prices than the California grower can afford. Our market will, therefore, be limited, in the absence of adequate protection, to the Pacific coast and points in the Mississippi valley which can be reached from this coast as cheaply as from the Mediterranean.

The convention has outlined a schedule for duties under which the industry may be made to prosper. A duty of 2 cents a pound on raisins and Zante currants is asked for. Olive oil needs a duty of \$1 a gallon. Figs ask for 3 cents, prunes and plums 2½ cents. Almonds, 6 cents in the shell and 10 cents shelled. Oranges, lemons and limes need a duty of 20 cents a cubic foot. Preserved fruit asks for protection at the rate of 40 per cent ad valorem. If these duties can be obtained the proposition of Mr. Cooper to combine to secure fair prices seems practicable.

Dairying in California.

A bulletin on "Dairying in California," by Prof. E. J. Wickson, M. A., of the University of California, has been issued by the Dairy Division, Bureau of Animal Industry, of the United States Department of Agriculture. The bulletin contains 31 pages. It briefly describes the condition of dairying when California contained only scattered settlements of pioneers, and shows how the conditions then prevailing have influenced modern dairying. The upper coast region is mentioned as the leading dairy region, and Humboldt county as the leading dairy county, having produced almost 3,000,000 pounds of butter in 1892. The feeds most used in California and best adapted to that State are discussed. Other subjects treated are winter dairying, creameries, milk values, farm dairies, dairy markets, and dairy organization and protection.

In accordance with the provisions of the law of January 12, 1895, relating to the public printing and binding, the bulletin will be for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, Union Building, Washington, D. C., at the price fixed by him, 5 cents.

Phoenix is one of the thirty cities to have a trial of the rural delivery system. At Phoenix the service will extend three and a half miles in all directions from the postoffice, instead of but one and a half miles, as now.

Since actual construction began on Morena dam, San Diego, work has been pushed forward faster than ever. The foundation is now being laid at the rate of seven feet per day. During the past four days thirty feet of concrete foundation have been laid.



Cities Buried by Sand Storms.
Sven Hedin, the Norwegian traveler, has discovered on the north side of Kuen Lun Mountains, and in the edge of the great desert of Gobi, the ruins of towns which he thinks were buried by sandstorms about 1,000 years ago. The largest town was nearly two miles and a half long, and a canal connected it and the surrounding country with the Kerija River. The houses had walls of plaited reeds covered with mud and then coated with white plaster, and on these plaster walls were well-executed paintings of men, animals and flowers. Poplars, apricots and plum trees had evidently flourished there before the invasion of the sand.

Wasps Defend Cows.
A correspondent of the Irish Naturalist describes a curious scene which he witnessed while watching his cows in the field. He noticed many wasps buzzing around the cows, and upon stopping to observe what they were about he found that they were catching and killing flies. A white cow in particular attracted the wasps apparently because they could so easily see the flies that alighted upon it. They invariably bit off the wings, sometimes the legs, and occasionally the heads of the flies, and carried the bodies away, probably to feed their larvae. Three or four hundred flies were thus caught in about twenty minutes from the backs of two cows.

Science and Great Cities.
Professor Brewer, of Yale University, in a recent address called attention to the interesting fact that at the beginning of this century not a single city in Christendom had so many as a million inhabitants. In 1800 Paris had 548,000, and in 1801 London had 864,000. Great cities could not exist then as the advance of science has enabled them to exist to-day. Science has helped the cities not only by conquering pestilence, and teaching the laws of health, but by enabling them to draw their supplies from the remotest quarters of the earth, instead of being dependent for food, as was the case at the opening of the century, upon the region of country immediately surrounding them.

Measuring Its Own Velocity.
By means of an electrical device experimenters, acting for the United States Board of Ordnance, have recently succeeded in obtaining photographic records of the motion of a projectile while yet inside the bore of a cannon. The projectile carries a rod of wood attached to its front end, and copper rings, encircling this rod at fixed intervals, successively form electric contacts as the rod is driven from the gun. Each of these contacts produces an automatic record on a photographic plate. The Scientific American, in describing the apparatus and experiments, says that the shortest distance traveled by the projectile between two successive records was 3.7 centimeters, which is a little less than an inch and a half, and that some of the time intervals between the records were only one two-thousandth of a second.

Seeing a Rose Grow.
An ingenious Frenchman has suggested a way in which a rose, or other flower, could be caused to appear growing and unfolding in the presence of a roomful of spectators. He proposes to employ the kinematoscope, a magic lantern so arranged as to produce moving figures on a screen by means of a series of photographs of living objects, each successive photograph having been taken only a small fraction of a second later than its immediate predecessor. But for the proposed new application of this instrument the photographs need not be made so near together, since they are to represent changes which require several months for their development. Beginning with the first appearance of the bud, several thousand photographs of a growing rose are to be taken, just near enough together so that the change of form in the flower is almost imperceptible, until it has attained its complete bloom, and then has faded and fallen to pieces. These photographs, being passed as transparencies, in rapid succession, through the kinematoscope, there would appear upon the screen the figure of a rose visibly budding, growing, opening, spreading its petals, and finally shriveling and dying, the whole process occupying but a few minutes. Many other applications of this principle to the representation of growing objects are suggested.

The sooner a monument is put up after a man dies, the nicer the things said on it.

Almost all married people look in time as if they were living on a daily quail diet.

A forgery scheme, by means of which free transportation has been secured over a number of the Western railroads by certain parties, as yet unknown, has been discovered by the officials of the Santa Fe. The name used in the forgery was that of J. A. Nangle, general manager of the Sonora Railway, a branch of the Santa Fe, and all requests for passes were made over his signature. The swindlers had secured a supply of Sonora Railway letter heads.

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The South San Francisco Land and Improvement Company, comprising many San Francisco, Chicago and New York capitalists, created in San Mateo county a new town site known as South San Francisco. This town site is situated on the main line of the Southern Pacific Railroad, and also on the Southern Pacific Bay Shore Railroad, soon to be finished; it is also at the terminus of the San Francisco and San Mateo Electric Railway.

South San Francisco was platted as a town just prior to the great financial panic of 1893 and 1894; during all that period of financial wreck and ruin, when almost every new enterprise and many old-established institutions were actually swept out of existence, she has held her own and is to-day a prosperous community with a population of nearly eight hundred people.

Upwards of \$2,000,000 in cash have been expended in laying the foundation of this new town. Most of the streets have been graded, curbed and sewered, miles of concrete sidewalk laid, trees planted along the main highways, and a water-works plant completed, giving an abundant supply of pure artesian water for every purpose. But the foundation laid in what is known as the manufacturing district of this town site constitutes above all others the most positive guarantee for the future of South San Francisco.

There is no stability nor permanency so absolute respecting real estate values, and the future growth of any community like that which is based upon industries giving employment to men. The facilities created by the founders of South San Francisco have already secured to her several large manufacturing enterprises, and will soon secure many more; this means not only an increase in population, but an enhancement in real estate values.

South San Francisco has passed the experimental stage, and is now an established town. Many of her lot owners who have properly improved their holdings are even to-day realizing from ten to twenty per cent net on their investments. How many communities as new as South San Francisco can make this boast?

An independent community in itself, with its own supporting elements, and at the same time close to the metropolis of California, and in the direction in which San Francisco must necessarily grow, already reached by some of the city's street car service, and certain to be on the line of any new railroad entering San Francisco, South San Francisco presents to-day opportunities for investment among the safest and best on the Pacific Coast.

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