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San Francisco County Court. But few persons are probably aware of the multifarious and numerous duties imposed upon the County Judge of San Francisco. For the better information of the public on this point, we will enumerate the more prominent of the labors which the existing laws devolves upon that officer.

By the Constitution and Acts of the Legisjurisdiction, Judge of Probate, Judge of the County Court, or Court of Appeals, in which Court of Sessions, sitting for criminal business, in which all cases less than felony are some \$130,000. This court is also charged highways, the erection of bridges, regulation of ferries, graduating their tariff of charges, &c., setting off townships, establishing election precincts, ordering elections and appointing inspectors, fixing the amount of assessments and hearing appeals, &c., &c., with a basket full of minor duties.

There are monthly terms of the Court of Probate, and it was found necessary to appoint special terms in addition thereto, so as to have the court open daily for every class issued letters of administration on upwards of two hundred estates now under settlement, in each of which various special proceedings are had, besides constant application by administrators to the court for instructions in regard to their duties.

The work of the Probate Court, in this county, we should suppose was quite enough for one individual. There are four terms of the Court of Appeals quarterly, with a hundred causes at a term, involving grave questions of law which require examination. Business is transacted in each one of these courts on the same day.

The county judge has charge of all lunation and their estates, the appointment of guardians and the settlement of their accounts; the examination and approval of all official bonds, to compel a renewal if necessary; attend the selection and drawing of juries, and give notice of all the elections. Will not the Legislature find it necessary to relieve the office in this county from some of its duties?

In what manner these multifarious duties have been discharged by the present capable officer, it is unneccessary for us to say. The expression of public opinion has been sufficiently commendatory for any ordinary ambition in that direction. But what he has accomplished has been done without pay, the County Judge not having yet received a dollar in cash for his first quarter's salary.

Our object in referring to this subject now, is to call the attention of the Legislature to a more equitable system than the present for the payment of the salary of the County Judge. Under the law as it now exists officer is paid by the county, or supposed to be, and is not permitted to take fees for any services whatever. The consequence is, that he is hourly applied to for the administration of oaths, the taking of bail qualifying to affidavits, and an hundred other similar acts, in which no one but the parties themselves are in the least interested, and for which they should be made to pay a fair rate of fees. The people of the county as a body, are not interested in these private matters, and yet all alike aid in bearing the burthen imposed upon the county by the payment of the salary of the officer to whom we refer.

If a system of fees be adopted, much o the salary of the County Judge would be made to fall where it properly belongs. For instance, let the salary be fixed at the same sum as now, or lesser or greater, as circumstances may warrant, and the Legislature then pass an act fixing the fees for certain and specific services, performed out of court, which should be paid by the parties interested, the County Judge keeping an acount of He will have a hard labor to perform, howmoneys received, retaining them, and applying the amount in liquidation of his salary -being required to report as often as once in three months, under oath. The amount of fees so received would go far towards paying, if it did not entirely, the salary of the Judge. This would relieve the county treasury from the expenses of that office, and at the same time but be equitable and just. Such is the system practiced under acts of the Legislature in the State of New York, and has been found to work most satisfactorily. We hope the Judiciary Committee of the Assembly will report a similar provision for California.

INSTRUCTIONS .- A meeting of the citizens of Monterey was held on the 14th instant. the proceedings of which we find in the San Jose Argus, at which a resolution was passed instructing their Representatives from that dashed up the street at a furious rate, leaving county, and the Senators from that District, part of the wagon near Pacific. We lost to vote for Mr. FREMONT for United States Senator. The meeting was presided over by PHILIP A. ROACH, Esquire, ex-mayor of Monterey, and were composed of men of both political parties.

Rev. WALTER COLTON, of the Navy, has been confined to his house, says the Boston Journal, for three months past, with an acute inflammation of the liver, a disease contracted in California during his long resiOnt of Business.

In passing through the streets of our bustling town, one acquainted with the matter can easily detect the business men from those who have "nothing to do." It would indeed be strange, if in a great town like this, every body should have employment; but at this time there are very many who are doing nothing.

San Francisco is a kind of half-way house of all nations. From the States, from Mexico, from South America, the Sandwich Islands, from Oregon, and China, multitudes of men seek our golden shores, and as this is the grand entree to the country, and to the mines, it necessarily happens that a few days should be spent after their arrival, either in making preparation to visit the interior, or in seeking employment here. Many, too, who have succeeded passably well in the mines, as well as those who have made much, and are tired of a mountain life, come down, lature, he is a Judge of four courts of distinct either with a view of commencing business operations in the city, or of taking a passage home. And it cannot be denied that many two he sits alone; presiding Judge of the have been unfortunate in their speculations in the city, and are for the time being, thrown out of active business. All of these causes tfied, as well as the civil side of that Court | combined, operate to throw a large number in which all demands against the county are out of employment. A few, who would examined and audited, already amounting to work if they could get a chance, take the matter philosophically, and look forward to with the duty of purchasing sites and erect- the "good time coming," with stout hearts ing the county buildings, and the keeping of and cheerful faces; but by far the greatest prisoners, establishing and laying out all the number show, by their saddened countcnances and sauntering manner, that of "all the ills that conspire to blind," the want of some steady remunerative employment is the most depressing.

The grand desideratum, next to having something profitable to do, is to kill time, so that the hours may not hang heavy on their hands. For this purpose you see them sauntering through the thoroughfares, lounging in the gambling houses, watching the changing fortunes of the monte bank, or perhaps of business. There have been granted and imbibing at the bar and drinking stands in public places, when it not unfrequently happens that not only their woes, but their senses, are drowned in oblivion. Some are discouraged, while some "hope on."

We can only say, keep your courage up show the same energy here that you would at home. There is now much less difficulty in living here than there was for our pioneer fathers in settling the broad Valley of the Ohio, or the beautiful prairies of Illinois, Wisconsin, and Missouri. All will eventually succeed in obtaining a good living, if but industrious and prudent. Do not feel discouraged, if our hills and plains, are not all sparkling with gold. There are riches in both, which labor will develope. Throw pride to the dogs; seek honest employment, in any shape suited to you. And the foundation of a good honest and remunerative business can be laid. But rest assured of one thing in California: "unless ye labor, ve cannot eat."

Cheering Intelligence.

All accounts from Washington represent that there is a strong probability that the monies collected before the appointment of Colonel COLLIER, by way of duties, will be given to California. Should this be the case, the finances of the State will be at once improved, and warrants, now almost a drug in the market, would bring nearly their face. We trust that in four weeks time, financial matters in California will wear a far differ-

We copy the following intelligencet from the San Jose Argus:

IMPORTANT FROM WASHINGTON.-We have been shown a letter from Hon. Thomas H. BENTON, to a friend in this city, from which we are permitted to make the following ex-

"The Committee of Finance have agreed to report in favor of refunding to California the duties collected be-fore the arrival of Colonel Collier."

As Colonel Benton is one of the Committee of Finance, and has heretofore, as now, used all his influence in favor of this State, there can be no doubt but that the measure to be proposed will pass without opposition therefore look upon it as certain that California will soon be placed in possession of nearly a million of dollars—enough for the payment of her present debt, and meet the entire expenses of the ensuing year.

SALUTATORY .- The Courier of yesterday contains the debut of JAMES W. SIMONTON, who has become associated with the editorial management of that paper. We welcome Mr. S. to the field of editorial labor in California, and trust we shall see a marked improvement in its columns through the vigorous pen he has been wont to wield. ever, in the effort to revolutionize our State to the political course of the Courier. We wish him success in every other effort.

FAST MEN.-Yesterday afternoon, three rowdies rode through Kearny street by the City Hall, at as fast a rate as they could well whip their rack-a-bone horses into. In this, they thought to display themselves conspicuously as "fast men," and bold contemners of the law. Had they been caught by the police officers who set chase after them, they would not have relished their sport so much, corder, in the morning.

RUNAWAY .- A span of fine horses, attached to a lumber wagon, took fright yesterday morning at the foot of Dupont street, and sight of their further progress as they rushed with incredible speed down the hill at the head of the street.

Robbery.-Yesterday morning, a Chinaman employed about the City Hospital, took a splendid gold watch and chain, the property of Dr. J. W. HUNTER, and left for parts unknown. The watch and chain are valued at \$200. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the thief, but he has not yet been corder committed the trio of "lege" for their principle of public morals which requires a secured.

Our New York Corremandence.

The annual distribution of the American Art Union, took place at Tripler Hall, on Friday evening, the 20th instant, on which occasion that large and elegant place was crowded with an audience of five thousand persons. There were 500 paintings and works of art, and 500 bronze medals, of Trumbull and Stuart, distributed among 16,310 members. They were drawn by lucky members who reside far and wide. One painting went to London, I noticed a few names of Californians among the list of members, though none of these were so fortunate in this instance as in gold hunting.

Yesterday a grand Masonic celebration came off in this city—the parties thereto being those known as the "Grand Lodge of the State of New York, of which W. H. Wilnor is Grand Master," sometimes also called the "country" or "Willard" Grand Lodge, and the "St. John's Grand Lodge," and the occasion being the absorption of the latter in the former. There is another body claiming to be the "Grand Lodge of the State of New York," of which Isaac Phillips is Grand Master, and which denounces the other as "illegitimate." Of course, not belonging to this mystic order, I am not prepared to decide this knotty question of legitimacy. But it is a pity that an Institution so "ancient and honorable," and calculated to do so much good, should follow the example of "orders" of lesser note in these bickerings. The celebration, however, was a very cordial one, and passed off in a very happy manner. I refer you to the papers for the full particulars of the affair.

The new steamship Prometheus, the pioneer of the Pacific Ship Canal Company's Line, sailed on Thursday, on her first voyage to Havana, St. Juan and Chagres. She is a fine three-decker, and will make monthly trips to San Juan, connecting at Realejo with a line thence to your city. I hope it may be | justice, by a benificent Legislature.

prosperous line. The news of the ravages of the Cholera among you, received by the last steamer, was the highest Court of the United States. read with painful interest. It appears to be five times more severe than it was in this city, and worse even than in St. Louis and Cincinnati. Here we thought it was doing a fair business at one hundred deaths per day for fourteen days in a population of four hundred and fifty thousand; but five hundred a day would only have rendered it on a par channels of intelligence. When these were with Sacramento. Still, I observe that the same class mainly, are the victims. He who follows temperance in all things, and maintains a calm spirit, need have no fears of cho-

lera, or any other pestilence.
Considerable clamor has been produced in this city by reason of the Common Council having renewed the contract with the New York Gas Company, at the old rates, for The papers almost change eighteen years. the Councils with being regularly purchased —and if the truth was known, they are not far out of the way. It is astonishing that they should do so under the developments mand the attention of the public—it is my opinion, and has been from the beginning. that this great discovery is all that is claimed for it. The perfection of the Patent in foreign countries is all that prevents it from being brought forward. This will soon be done. Every person who visits Worcester and examines the machinery and witnesses the effects, gives his uniform and enthusias-

tic testimony to its complete success.

Another important invention has been announced in England, which, if confirmed, will effect a most important revolution in the world-one which will effect this country to vast extent, and perhaps do more than almost anything else to extinguish the "pecu-" It is the discovery of a liar institution. process by which the flax fibre can be separated from the straw without undergoing the process of rotting and steeping. Connected with it is a process by which the fibre is prepared so that it can be spun upon cotton machinery to a fineness sufficient to manufacture into Brussels lace. If this be so, its efeet will be to bring linen goods cheaper than cotton. Flax can be raised for six cents a pound in any country on the face of the haoitable globe-while the production of cotton is confined to a particular region, and its price varies from five to fifteen cents. Truly

this is an age of invention and discovery. The first half of the nineteenth century now closing-if the second half upon which we shall enter on Wednesday next, shall be as prolific, the advent of the twentieth century will witness an advancement of which we can scarcely conceive.

Allow me to conclude this rambling letter by wishing you a "Happy New Year." RECORDER'S COURT .- Black eyes, bruised and bloody faces, were displayed before the Recorder yesterday morning, the results of Saturday night's haul by the police. A number of cases of grand larceny were also disposed of by sending them to the higher courts. A monte dealer, by the name of MOORE, complained of a man for coming the "grab game" on his pile, while playing "three card monte" on Long Wharf, on Saturday. The man had bet four ounces that he could turn the "winning card," which amount of ore was covered by the dealer. Two others were betting at the same time, one of them a pal of the dealer. and of course an attempt was made to lift the wrong card for the four ounce better. But he proved too quick for the gang, by saying, "I lifted the right card," and sweep ing the stakes into his pocket, he made tracks for other parts in double-quick time. after being introduced to his Honor, the Re- He was, however, overhauled by the gamblers, who took from him not only the amount of stakes, but a couple of ounces more, as he asserts, and was then handed over to a police officer, on the charge of stealing. The dealer and his friends appeared against him as witnesses, and with the utmost effrontery, charging dishonesty and theft upon him.

The Recorder, after admonishing the man against indulging in such a swindling game in future, ordered his discharge and a return of the four ownces to him that he had wagered. No one but a French monte dealer would have the face to appear as complainant in such a case as this, and we would have been glad to have seen the Reaudacity.

Editors of the Pacific News I have watched, with intense interest, the progress of certain measures which have lately been introduced into the Legislature, for the purpose of quieting the title to the water lots situated within the limits of this city. I propose now to present a plain statement of some considerations, which I think ought not to be overlooked by the friends of justice and of order. It is objected to the confirmations of

titles to portions of this property which have been granted by the late town of San Franciseo, "that the town had no right to the property; that the purchasers knew that it had no right; and that to confirm these titles would be to confirm a fraud, of which only some half a dozen speculators would reap the benefit." But hardly one of these sweeping propositions is true in any sense, and not one of them is true in any form which can serve the purpose of a legitimate argument. It may be true, and probably is, that the town had no legal title to the water property, but it is not true that the authorities of the town knew or supposed that the town had no title; on the contrary it is not only true, but it is undeniable, that all the authorities of the town, and the purchasers at the town's sales, believed in good faith, that the title of the town was perfect. Moreover, the courts so decided, and uniformly put the purchasers under such sales in possession of the land in the most summary manner. The purchasers acted therefore, in perfect good faith. It may be, that as a technical question of dry law between two litigant parties, courts are sometimes bound to say that one who purchases a title which is void in law, is guilty of constructive bad faith, because every one is of necessity presumed to know what the law is. this is not a question of dry law. It is a question whether the title was in fact supposed to be a good one. It is not a question of a single individual, but of a whole community. It is not a matter of technical ju-risprudence in which a severe sentence is to wrung from a reluctant court, but it is an appeal from a whole community to have their rights shielded according to the principles of a more enlarged and enlightened

The question of law even, was a difficult and intricate one. It had been litigated in astutest intellects of the country had exhausted themselves in its discussion, and finally, when the judgment of the court was pronounced, it was not an unanimous one. And even that decision was a recent one. It had not had time to reach the legal profession throughout the United States, by the usual made, it had not reached California. At that time the highest executive and military authorities in the country, were of a differen opinion. The courts here decided differently. The lawyers advised their clients differently The town authorities thought differently Purchasers at these sales believed differently There is a still more undeniable evidence of the perfect good faith of these purchasers. They invested their money on the strength of their confidence in these titles. And that, too, for the most part, after an animated competition at a public auction. They then not only paid their gold for these lands, but even constantly making in regard to light. The Paid more than any body else was willing to Paine Discovery is again beginning to command the attention of the public—it is my fact, that in many instances they paid much complished. They do not believe that owners more for these lands than they have ever been of these lands can be despoiled of their proappraised at, or than they would bring at his moment, even with the title guaranticd by the State. The question of actual good feith in the title of these lands we therefore consider as settled beyond any question. It is difficult to meet the assertion that

frauds were committed in these purchases, for loudly as it made, and that too, in terms of the coursest vituperation, it unfortunately is wholly wanting in names, dates, and par-Who it is that has committed ticulars. these frauds, we could never learn. When they were committed, we have not been advised. In what they consist, we are profoundly ignorant, and desire to be informed. But any one can satisfy himself that the lands purchased at the town sales have been actually paid for. The money has actually been received into the treasury, and n expended in public improvements upon property, upon whose enhanced value taxes have been paid to the State. And this property, thus purchased and paid for, is not held by "half a dozen speculators," as has been asserted, nor was it ever hold by a small number of proprietors, but is held by hundreds of purchasers in good faith, who have invested millions of dollars in improvements, and many of whom have invested their all.

Thus far the consequences of the sale and distribution of these lands among a large number of enterprising proprietors, have been of the most favorable and encouraging character. The "mud-flats," so lately a formidable obstacle to our commerce, and a source of ridicule to our city, have become covered with streets and warehouses, and ships of the largest burthen unload beside wharves more than half a mile in length and San Francisco has already become the first commercial city upon the shores of the

It is now proposed to reclaim these lands for the State, and an objection is made to the confirmation of these sales: first, on the part of a class of squatters known as the

Colton grantees, and next on behalf of the We have but a word to say of the Colton grantees. While the purchasers of the town are surrounded with every indication of good faith, these Colton grants bear every mark of bad faith and fraud. Nobody ever believed that they conveyed any title. The courts seouted at them; the legal profession ridiculed them. They were made for the most part, at a time when their author was anxiously inquired for by the officers of jus tice, with closed doors; after executed in blank, and ante-dated; and generally with a bribe of from eighty to ninety dollars a to what was pretended to be the legal fees. The purchasers also knew that these lands had been sold, or advertised for sale, by the town, and that the deeds executed by the town were on record, and yet consented to receive these fabricated grants, in utter in-difference of the rights of others who had purchased and paid for the same property in good faith. It is difficult to entertain any sentiment for the participants in Justice Colton's operations, except one which is strongly allied to contempt. They certainly have no claim to have a protection extended to them which would be only robbery and oppression to others.

There are insuperable objections to this property being reclaimed by the State for itself. There is no principle which would There is no principle which would require this measure, out of regard for the public creditor. No debts were contracted by the State on the security of the public property, but only on the security of the public faith. No one has ever looked to this water property as a fund for the redemption of the promises of the State. There is no sovereign to commit an act of flagrant injus. | were 37.

tice to despoil the present possessors of these lands, it would be idle to deny. It would be to take into the possession of the State, without any compensation, private property, on which taxes have been paid during the last six months, to the amount of one hundred and sixty thousand dollars, of which forty thousand dollars have been paid into the Trea sury of the State! This might be in accordance with legal principles, and be strictly

'according to law," but it would be an act of high-handed tyranny. Individuals who are "honest according to law," are notoriously grasping and oppressive; this is the rule of men who exact the pound of flesh. Despots exult when they can wield the arm of the law for purposes of avarice or vengeance; and the fiercest assaults upon English and American liberty have been made under cover of the forms and processes of law. But for sovereigns and legislatures there is a higher law than that of technical legal morality. A righteous government is paternal in its character. Its subjects or its itizens are its children, and are to be treated with kindness and beneficence. If they err, while acting with honesty of purpose, they are to be shielded, if possible, from the consequence of those errors. They are to be protected and not despoiled.

An equal consideration is due to the city of San Francisco. Thrown suddenly into existence as a large city, she has not been called upon to meet exigencies gradually succeeding to each other, as in cities of slow growth, but all these exigencies were thrown upon her at once, within the compass of a few months. Springing, like Minerva, full-grown, from the parent head, she was forced o provide her panoply at once. She was forced in a single year to construct public improvements, which under other circumstances should have been sustained by the taxes of twenty years. On this very water property she has expended more than the whole of what it is now proposed to cede to her would bring at public sale. It is these public improvements which have caused her present embarrassments. She therefore needs, and she eminently deserves, the fostering care of the State. A great commer cial city is a tower of strength to a State, as well as a pride and an ornament. It is not unreasonable that the same indulgent consideration which has led the United States to make large grants of land to Mobile, New Orleans, St. Louis and other cities, should be extended by our Legislature to the great commercial emporium of the Empire State of the Pacific.

We cannot conclude this already long article without adverting to the evil consequences which have resulted from the manner in which this subject has lately been discussed by those hostile to the proposed measure. We could not, if we would, conceal the fact that there is a feeling on the part of the bona fide purchasers of these lands, of determination to resist any attempted spolia-tion, even to the death. The records of our courts sufficiently attest this fact. Another fact is portentiously significant. The stock market has always afforded an extremely sensitive index to public opinion. And yet it is a fact, that since there has appeared ar avowed determination, on the part of some legislators, to confiscate this property for the payment of the public creditor, state war rants have steadily declined about two per cent. per day. Why is this, if the public creditor is to be benefited by such a confiscation? The answer is obvious. It is because perty. And, whatever laws may be passed we confess to a strange leaning to the same opinion. Our State government is not strong enough to do it, unless it be a despotism which rules by military power, or reign is that of terror. A government which aims at the commission of a great wrong strikes a blow at its own existence, for strikes at public morality, which is the bond of all civilized government. Thus are sown the seeds of resistance and of revolution thus originated the spectacle of a whole community sometimes standing out in resistance to an oppressive law, until a subsequent legislature removes the evil, and grants as a matter of necessity what ought to have been conceded as act of justice. A CITIZEN.

The schooner E. L. Frost, Capt. Rogers, arrived vesterday morning from Shanghae, having made the trip in the space of 45 days, being the next shortest trip except that made by the Sierra Nevada. She brings a large eargo of teas, sugar, &c.

We have received, by this arrival, the North China Herald, of the 28th of December, the previous dates being to the 19th.

A report was current that the insurgents in Kwangsai have recently obtained some

alarming success against the government. Letters have been received at Loo Choo, conveying the intelligence of the death of the late Prefect of Toin-chow, together with that of the Governor of the Province, and of Manchow General.

A number of Decrees and Rescripts have been made, as we learn from the Pekin Reporter, No. 116.

The first decree appoints Sin Thisen to be Imperial Commissioner to Kwangsea, as Pacificator of the Rebels.

The banditti in Kwangse some time ago disturbed the districts of Lewzin and Leihpoo and a portion of them made a descent upon the town of Tseenkeang and the whole of that portion of the country is trampled under foot by their predatory bands. Immediate steps have been taken to co-operate with the Governor of Kwangse to exterminate the depredators. Sin Tshiew, the Imperial Commissioner, is ordered by special stages to Kwangse, and until his arrival the management of all affairs shall be under the direction of Sea Kwongstin, Viceroy of the Kwang Provinces. All the authorities are required to use unremitting diligence and zeal, and lend their authority to subdue the hordes of detestable rebels, and restore peace to the Southern borders.

CONFLAGRATION AT VALPARAISO .- A fire occurred in Valparaiso on Sunday, the 22d of December last, commencing in a cigar shop called the Croquis, on a narrow street running from the Almenebral to El Puerto. The amount of property destroyed is estimated at \$2000.

Messrs. Cross, Hobson & Co., of this city, had 127 packages of goods stored in a house occupied at the time as a bonded warehouse. which was destroyed, together with all the goods contained therein.

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BYILAS TNIGHT'S BOAT. Sacramento Intelligence

PALMER & Co's and FREEMAN & Co's Expresses, delivered us the Sacramento papers of yesterday morning, early last evening. The papers contain no mining intelligence, and but little of local news of any interest

The Transcript says the new Catholic Church in that city, is to be dedicated on Thursday, of this week. Bishop ALEMANI will officiate on the occasion.

Fisher, the accomplice of Gahan in the robbery of Mr. Norris of \$9,000, has been sentenced to three years imprisonment in the State Prison.

Edward Murphy offers a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of one James Dunn, an Irishman, who stole \$1200 in gold dust from him at Wood's Creek.

The Index says the fare on the river is to be reduced to 25 cents.

The Times has an account of the robbery of George W. Shattuck, on Sunday night-\$300 in silver, three gold watches, a miniature, and valuable papers were taken by the thief. A reward of \$100 is offered for the detection of the thief.

Common Council.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN .- Present, Messrs. Cronise, Middleton, Minturn, Mott and Rob-

Report from the teachers at Happy Valley School, with petition for aid in sustaining the same; referred to the Committee on Fi-

nance Petition from Robinson & Evrard of the Dramatic Museum, praying for the privilege to construct a side-walk twelve feet wide in front of the same; referred to the Committee on Streets. Also, to the same Committee petition of Jonathan D. Stevenson and others to be relieved from wharfage on merchandise received and delivered at the buildings on their own wharves. Also, petition of John J. R. Pool to light the city and furnish lamps

Weekly Report of the Steward of the City Hospital, accompanied with sundry bills amounting to \$1,101 56; bills ordered paid. Also monthly report of the Resident Physician of City Hospital showing the number of patients received since last report, 73; discharged 52; died 16,

An ordinance, authorizing the Resident Physician to appoint an Apothecary for the City Hospital, was adopted

Several bills, for water furnished to the prison brig Euphemia, were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Resolution, requesting the City Marshal to report to the Board the number of the police rce who are willing to serve the city for the compensation at present allowed them, was

A special committee, consisting of Messrs. Robinson, Cronise and Minturn, were in-structed to inquire and report to the Board the amount of money expended by the city and county prisoners.

Special Committee to whom was referred the petition of M. Rudsdale, praying for the removal of pump in front of his premises, reported in favor of the same. The Street Commissioner ordered to remove the same. An ordinance, providing for the grading

of Pacific street, between Montgomery and Sansome, was passed. Also an ordinance, approving of the work lone on Taylor and Union streets, as ordered

by the late Avuntamiento. Remonstrance from James Lick, against grading and planking First street, was revised and placed on file.

Report from the delegates of the fire department, accompanied with constitution, submitted for the approval of the Council, was referred to the Committee on Fire and

On motion, adjourned.

BOARD OF ASSISTANTS .- Present, Aldermen Grant, Gibbs, Van Ness, Corbett and Shar-

Petitions .-- From property holders over the water in relation to the wharfage, and praying that taxation may be made equal; referred to Committee on Streets. From a numhouses; Committee on Public Buildings. Protest and petition of James Lick against the improvement of a certain street; referred to Street Commissioner. Of E. Cole, praying that an ordinance may be passed in relation to cleansing chimnies and stove pipes, and that he be appointed Inspector; placed

Report of Committees .- The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred an ordinance in relation to piling Front street, between Pacific and Broadway streets, reported the same by substituting Vallejo for Broadway street; report adopted. The Finance Committee reported bills amounting to \$14,493 52 to be ordered paid, and \$6,665 14, not paid;

report received. Ordinances.—Alderman Sharron introduced an ordinance requiring the City Collector and his deputies, to pay over to the City Treasurer all cash and scrip collected, the cash to be used in paying the police, and if not sufficient, they to be paid pro rata in scrip. The bill was finally passed.

An ordinance introduced by Alderman

Gibbs, in relation to exempting certain persons from paying wharfage at the public wharves, was passed to a second reading. Adjourned until Friday evening at 7 P. M.

LIGHTING THE CITY .-- A proposition was made to the Council last evening, by Mr. JOHN J. R. Pool, to furnish the city with the requisite number of lamps, to place one at each crossing, to furnish oil for the same and to light them for one year, at the expiration of which time, the same to become the property of the city, all of which service he agrees to perform for the sum of \$20,000three quarters in cash, and the balance in city scrip.

In the absence of any calculation on our part, the proposition seems to be a very moderate one, and if our city can be lighted for so small a sum, we certainly ought not to grope in the dark any longer.

FURIOUS DRIVING .- Sunday morning a couple of females in a carriage came dashing down Dupont street at a full gallop, entirely regardless of the number of persons who thronged the street. They seemed to enjoy the sport greatly, notwithstanding perilling their own lives, and those of seve-

Sporting-Attention is directed to an advertisement in to-days News with the above heading. It is for a match race between the American mare "Mary Snow" and the Sydney horse "Ito"-for \$2,500 anide, to come off on the 17th aMrch next.

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Office of Secretary of State,)
SAN JOAR, June 17th, 1860.)
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WM. VAN VOORHES, Secretary of State.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT,
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with the Circk of said Court, at a his office in the City of San
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in account current between plaintiffs and defendants in
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In the Court Hussein the city of San Yenacioo,
this 18th day of December, 1850.

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