



United States Judge W. H. Munger at Omaha has ruled that Omaha is not obliged to buy the water works at the excessive appraised valuation of \$6,263,259.

An Associated Press dispatch from Washington follows: "The two sisters of the late President McKinley each will receive a third of his estate, and the daughter of his brother, the late Abner McKinley, will get the remainder. Under the terms of Mr. McKinley's will the whole property, then worth \$300,000, but greatly increased in value since, was to be Mrs. McKinley's during her lifetime."

Washington dispatches say that Mr. Roosevelt intends to institute criminal proceedings against E. H. Harriman.

A Washington dispatch carried by an Associated Press follows: "The Japanese trouble in San Francisco probably will be settled by a recourse to the law. Information has been received here to the effect that the Japanese consul general in San Francisco is contemplating bringing a suit against the city of San Francisco for damages incurred by the owners of the Horseshoe restaurant and the Folsom bath house from the attack by a mob on May 20, last. The action, if brought, will be under the state law and in the name of the owners of the places wrecked. It is understood that the Japanese will be perfectly satisfied with a judicial determination of the case."

A London cablegram, carried by an Associated Press, says: "Richard Croker today won the Derby at Epsom and gained the ambition of his life, his colt, Orbey, bred from an American dam, and ridden by an American jockey, 'Johnny' Reiff, having beaten all the British cracks, and captured the blue ribbon of the world's turf by two lengths."

A United States circuit court of appeals at New Orleans has affirmed the sentence of the Savannah court in the Greene and Gaynor case, involving a fraud of more than half a million dollars in government contract work in the Savannah harbor. The sentence is four years' imprisonment each and a fine aggregating \$575,000.

The French government has tendered its good offices in the settlement of any differences between the United States and Japan. A Washington dispatch says: "From a diplomatic viewpoint, the San Francisco incident is closed. The way has been pointed out whereby Japanese who were injured by the mob's attack can

recover damages from the city under the state code of California. It is pointed out that the one regrettable reminder of this incident is the use which a portion of the press in both countries is making of it to create hostile sentiment. With diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan not only uninterrupted, but with nothing on the horizon which leads to apprehension, the French offer is accepted as it was extended, as making a most happy addition to the cordiality between the two nations."

A Tokio cablegram carried by the Associated Press, under date of June 7, follows: "A representative of the Japanese residents in America arrived here recently and called upon the foreign minister, Viscount Hayashi. He has reported that the latter assured him that the proposal made by the American government to enter into a mutual agreement for the restriction of labor emigration would be rejected by Japan and that every effort would be made to expunge the last clause of article two of the present treaty, when it comes up for revision in 1909, but that it was not expected that America would yield easily on this point. A special commissioner probably will be dispatched to America to investigate the actual conditions prevailing there."

Helen M. Gouger, the well known temperance leader and lecturer, died suddenly of heart failure at her home in LaFayette, Ind. She was seventy years of age.

A destructive cyclone swept over the town of Kurrachi, which is one of the principle seaports of British India.

BOOKS RECEIVED

The Gold Supply and Prosperity. Compiled and Edited by Byron W. Holt, editor of Moody's Magazine. Published by the Moody Publishing Co., 35 Nassau St., New York. Price \$1.00; by mail \$1.10.

Half Hours in Southern History. By John Leslie Hall, Ph. D., Prof. of English and of General History in the College of William and Mary. B. F. Johnson Publishing Co., Atlanta, Richmond and Dallas.

Efficient Democracy. By William H. Allen, General Agent, New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. Secretary committee on physical welfare of school children. Dodd, Mead & Co., New York.

The Perfect Tribute. By Mary Raymond Shipman Andrews. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York.

Unclean Birds of the Bible. By C. W. Morgan. Published by West-

ern Tract Publishing Co., 1522 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo. Price 50c. (Pamphlet.)

Discrimination Against the Japanese in California. A review of the real situation. By Herbert B. Johnson, D. D. Press of the Courier Publishing Co., Berkeley, Cal. (Pamphlet.)

The Industrial Republic. A study of the American of ten years hence. By Upton Sinclair. Doubleday, Page & Co., New York.

The Law of Suggestion. A compendium for the people. By Rev. Stanley LeFevre Krebs, A. M., Psy. Dr. Science Press, the Republic, Chicago, Ill.

Reed Anthony, Cowman. An autobiography. By Andy Adams. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston and New York. Price \$1.50.

German Ideals of Today and Other Essays on German Culture. By Kuno Francke. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 4 Park St., Boston, Mass. Price \$1.50 net.

Avenelle or the Lone Tree of Arlington. By John C. Baird. Mayhew Pub. Co., 100 Ruggles St., Boston, Mass.

True Stories of Jamestown and its Environs. By Will T. Hale. Pub. House of the M. E. Church, South, Smith & Lamar, Agents, Nashville, Tenn., Dallas, Texas. Price \$1.00.

Licensed Loot. A story of nationalized greed and graft. By H. B. Kelley, published and for sale by H. B. Kelly, Topeka, Kan. Price 25c.

Reminiscent Ramblings. By A. Welles. The W. F. Robinson Printing Co., Denver, Colo.

Practical Health. By Leander Edmund Whipple. The Metaphysical Pub. Co., 500 Fifth Ave., New York. Price \$1.50.

Evolution and Progression. An examination of the evolutionary theory of the origin of mankind and of the "critics" views relative to the origin and authority of the Bible. By A. M. Morris, Octographic Review, Indianapolis, Ind.

Gillette's Social Redemption. A review of world-wide conditions as they exist today, offering a new suggestion for the remedy of the evils they exhibit. With illustrations and index by Melvin L. Severy. Herbert B. Turner & Co., Boston, Mass., 683 Atlantic Ave. Price \$2.50 net.

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