

oldest officers of the United States Navy, died yesterday in East Boston, Mass. Capt. Parker was born in Portsmouth, January 12, 1816, and entered the navy in 1832. He first saw service in the sloop-of-war *Vincennes*, on the Pacific station. Six years later he was promoted to the grade of midshipman.

Thirteen of the survivors of Col. J. D. Stevenson's old command of Mexican war veterans, First New York Volunteers, had a reunion to-night. A dispatch from Col. Stevenson, who is in San Francisco, was received, saying, "God's blessings on his old boys."

Maj. Clark gave a brief review of the history of the regiment. Over two-thirds of its original 1,000 members were under 21 years of age when they were enrolled, and perhaps that accounted for the youthful appearance of those assembled around the table. It was considered a case of arduous undertaking in those days, continued the speaker, to go to California. Gold had not been discovered and it was an unknown land. Although the regiment did not see active service still it encountered many hardships, out of 1,000 only 150 remained.

During the dinner Roswell D. Baldwin, second officer of the *Loonchoo*, entered the room and was heartily welcomed. He had seen a notice of the meeting, and had not before known of the organization of the Gold Bear Veterans. Letters were read from absentees and from the parent organization of the regiment's veterans in California. The memory of dead comrades was duly honored, and many speeches of congratulation made over the growth of the State, which each one present had assisted in establishing.

TOMBSTONE, 24.—Thomas Ewing has just arrived here bringing tidings of a hairbreadth escape while encamped on Sonora River. Ewing said that some parties unknown to himself and his party, in the dark, attempted to run his stock, and a battle ensued in consequence, in which a man named Flanagan was killed and two prisoners taken. Ewing escaped. He ascertained later that his assailants were custom house officers. Another gentleman, since arrived, states the custom house officers were riding along the main road looking for smugglers, and seeing a fire near the road, rode forward to investigate. They were received with a volley, which they returned, killing one man. Another dropped his pistol at the commencement of the fray and ran. Two others were arrested and taken to Aristepe. The guards stated that they were dealing with smugglers, and did not fire until they were fired upon.

SAN FRANCISCO, 24.—Last night an officer engaged in watching the China steamer *Arabic* at the Mail dock saw a boat run alongside and receive packages from the ship. On discovery the boat moved off. The officer opened fire, and at the second shot one of the boatmen dropped his oar crying he was shot. His comrades on the approach of the custom house boat, threw the packages overboard and escaped in the darkness. The packages were recovered and found to contain opium and silks to the value of nearly \$40,000. No trace of the smugglers is yet obtained.

CINCINNATI, 24.—Frederick Captain, Sr., under arrest for alleged complicity in the Ross murder, showed signs of insanity, and talked about a bloody coat in the corn shocks. He was taken out to-day and failed to find the coat, but at his house a pair of trousers showing blood stains was brought to light. At the sight of them Captain went raving crazy and has been so ever since.

KEOKUK, Ia., 24.—An effort is being made to have Mark Gray Lion, who shot at Booth in a Chicago theatre three years ago, released from the asylum at Elgin, Illinois. A writ of *habeas corpus* was granted to-day.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, 24.—Ex-Deputy United States Marshal Jake Wolfe and Henry Goldwater are arrested charged with defrauding the government while holding office.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., 24.—There is much complaint about the division of the county by Dr. Murray's cordon, in political circles. It interferes very much with holding elections at outer precincts where there is no yellow fever cases now. Meir and Camargo continue very sick; days hot and nights cool.

WASHINGTON, 24.—The Marine Hospital service at Brownsville is directed to withdraw the Arroyo cordon as soon as it will be perfectly safe to do so. The cordon on the Rio Grande will be continued as long as adjacent towns in Mexico contain fever.

PENSACOLA, 24.—Fifty-five new cases of yellow fever; five deaths. Total to date 2,058 cases; 263 deaths.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., 24.—The Grand Army posts are under arms preserving the peace, Italian laborers having made an attack upon a contractor who failed to make payments.

BOSTON, 24.—Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes has resigned the Parkman professorship of anatomy in the medical school of Harvard University.

CONCORD, Mass., 24.—A. Bronson Alcott had a paralytic shock to-day. This evening he was only partially conscious.

PRESCOTT, 24.—Authentic news received at headquarters here confirms the report that Gen. Crook has effectually stopped the Indian outbreak that at one time seemed inevitable at San Carlos. The Grand Jury report at Tucson shows incessant and laborious work, which has been performed by Gen. Crook since he assumed command at Arizona. He has been constantly traveling from one point to another, holding conferences with different Indian tribes. He first discovered that frauds were being practiced at San Carlos, and the "discontent" caused amongst the different bands on that account, and through his action checked what promised upon his arrival at the reservation to be another long and bloody war. Reports received at military headquarters here confirm the entire report of the United States grand jury.

NEW YORK, 25, 9 a.m.—Score—Hughes 285, Hazael 284, Rowell 278, Hart 269, Fitzgerald 267, Noremac 262, Herty 254, Vint, 218, Panchott 215.

12 m.—Score: Hughes, 301; Hazael, 300; Rowell, 292; Fitzgerald, 283; Hart, 280; Noremac, 277; Herty, 270; Vint, 233; Panchot, 224.

Are there any persons who registered and whose names are omitted from the lists? If so, now is the time to take steps for the rectification of the error.

Have the precinct committees examined the registry lists and compared them with their lists of persons who took the oath? If not, now is the time to attend to this duty.

The national department of agriculture places the yield of winter wheat at 380,000,000 bushels, and spring wheat at 130,000,000 bushels. The September condition of potatoes has declined, but prospects are favorable for a crop of 150,000,000 bushels.

The London *Lancet* has taken up the warfare against cigarette smoking. It shows that young men whose physical development is not completed are most seriously affected by the practice, and it is more insidious than the use of tobacco in any other form.

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