

an inch and a quarter in Pomona valley in the last thirty hours, and it will probably rain more. This is the latest in the season that such heavy rains have been known there in years. The mountains are well filled with water and orchardists will not have to irrigate again for some weeks.

Only the presence of Sheriff Mayer and ten or twelve deputies prevented a lynching at Issaquah, near Seattle, Wash., Wednesday. Some time ago William Newton, a man of considerable prominence in Issaquah, was accused of flaunting a Spanish flag and forced to leave the town. Wednesday morning it was learned that Newton had returned and several hundred miners quit work and demanded summary proceedings. After Sheriff Mayer and his deputies arrived a mass meeting was held, and it was decided to place the evidence against Newton in the hands of the Federal authorities, and all talk of violence ceased.

The United States steamer Charleston will leave the Mare Island yard at noon today (Saturday) for the Philippine Islands unless some unforeseen event occurs meanwhile to delay her departure. Although her compasses have already been adjusted she will swing off Red Rock in order to insure the accuracy of the computations, but this will not consume more than two hours in all probability. Capt. Glass confidently expects to pass through the Golden Gate before 3 p. m., so that the cruiser will be well upon her way to the relief of Admiral Dewey's squadron when Sunday's sun sets.

The Nebraska volunteers are fortunate in that they have brought to San Francisco ten days' rations with them. Hence there has been no opportunity for complaint in the serving of meals at proper hours. The men assigned to duty in the cooks' department were not forced to forage either for combustibles or comestibles, and in this respect the Nebraskans have fared better than most of the volunteers when they first arrived. Five of the Nebraska volunteers who arrived Thursday spent the night in the harbor receiving hospital. They were taken to the Presidio hospital Friday. All were suffering from throat affections, one of them having a bad attack of quinsy.

In addition to the three train loads of troops from Nebraska which reached San Francisco Thursday, thirteen more heavily loaded specials, containing the balance of the Nebraska soldiers, a regiment each from Minnesota, Kansas and Colorado and a battalion from Wyoming, are now on the way there from Ogden. There is a scarcity of cars on the Southern Pacific, but the company is doing all in its power to get the eastern troops there as soon as possible. Neither the City of Sydney nor the Australia has received any supplies yet for the trip to Manila. Carpenters are putting up bunks and other necessary temporary structures for the transportation of troops, but it will take fully a week to get the vessels ready for departure.

The British fleet in the Pacific is to be strengthened to a considerable extent during the next few months, says a Vancouver, B. C., dispatch. The Temeraire, the first battleship to be permanently stationed here, is being fitted out at Portsmouth and will sail shortly for Esquimalt, and the big cruiser Warspite is also to be sent to join the Pacific fleet. The fleet is to be strengthened by replacing some of the smaller cruisers with larger ones, the second-class cruiser Arethusa being now on her way here to relieve the third-class cruiser Icarus. In the South the battleship Iron Duke is to be stationed at Coquimbo. At the naval department

the opinion is rife that England is about to make a move in the Pacific that will startle the world, or if not this, she is preparing to meet a contemplated move of one of the other big powers.

The Third battalion of Nebraska volunteers arrived at San Francisco late Friday afternoon and after being served with refreshments at the ferry by the members of the Red Cross society, marched to their camping ground at the old Bay District race track. They presented a splendid appearance and were loudly cheered along the route. When the First and Second Kansas volunteers, composed mostly of recruits, marched up from the ferry about 7 o'clock, people who were dining at the clubs, restaurants and hotels, rushed to windows and doors, waving napkins and shouting cheery words of greeting to the new-comers. The First Minnesota, who arrived at the Oakland mole an hour later, remained there during the night, sleeping in the cars.

In accordance with instructions received at San Francisco Friday from Washington, arrangements are being made to man the fleet of tugs chartered at that port by the government with members of the naval reserve. They will act as scouting boats and render whatever service may be demanded by the secretary of the navy. Gen. Merriam has been advised that the extensive barracks at Benicia, which can comfortably shelter 1,000 men, are now vacant and can be used if desired. Gen. Merriam believes, however, that the incoming troops should be encamped in San Francisco, where the supply department and subsistence stores are established. Assistant Quartermaster Long has cancelled a contract for the supply of clothing to the troops because the work was being done by Chinese. The Red Cross society is actively engaged in distributing delicacies to the soldiers at the Presidio.

It has been announced at the headquarters of the First infantry at the Presidio, San Francisco, that the regiment is scheduled to break camp Sunday afternoon or evening and make its quarters on board the City of Peking. The plan is to have the troops leave on the Peking some time on Tuesday. The interval between the arrival of the volunteers at the vessel and its departure will be devoted to the arrangement of quarters and the loading of ammunition. It is intended that the steamer shall move out into the stream Sunday night, there existing regulations against the transfer of ammunition to a vessel at the wharf. The officers of the Fourteenth infantry and the Fourth cavalry of the regulars have received orders to have their commands in readiness to leave the Presidio on short notice. This is considered to indicate that these organizations or a portion of them will accompany the First regiment of volunteers Manila.

A sharp report like that of a rifle shot was the signal which sent 600 men out of the Fontana warehouse, San Francisco, Tuesday night to bivouac on the sand dunes. The noise was the first serious warning the volunteers had that the floors of the old woolen mills at the foot of Van Ness avenue were in imminent danger of collapse. It was caused by the cracking of one of the 12-inch fir pillars on the second floor of the structure where have been quartered Batteries A, B, C and D of the heavy artillery. Many of the men were asleep and others were preparing to retire when the ominous report occurred. Captain Geary of Battery A, who was ranking officer in the absence of Major Rice, immediately made an investigation and discovered that not only the pillar in question was almost rent in twain by a longitudinal fissure,

but that others of the big wooden supports had equally bad crevices. The 15-inch wooden girders also showed fresh cracks, some of which were fifty feet in length. The men, therefore, thought it best to take to the sands rather than risk the chances of being crushed by falling timbers.

Several months ago August Belmont, the New York banker; John G. Carlisle, former secretary of the treasury; and George Cappel of New York were appointed a committee to act for American holders of Central Pacific stock in arranging for the payment of the company's government debt, says the San Francisco Examiner. These men were not long in securing proxies for about 111,000 shares of stock. They voted these shares at the last annual election in this city. Since the election the question has arisen as to whether they should join with the London committee, representing foreign stockholders, and endeavor to pay off the government debt on some basis about January 1, 1899, when the subsidy bonds will become due. The New York and London committees have now reached an understanding, so it is stated at the railroad offices, and will devote their energies to reorganizing the company and paying all debts, by means of a \$100,000,000 blanket mortgage at 4 per cent. The London shareholders, with 342,000 shares of Central Pacific stock, have formed a corporation, which now controls a majority of the stock of the Central Pacific.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

ANDERSON.—At Forest Dale, Bertha Anderson, beloved wife of John F. Anderson, of asthma, aged 56 years.

HEPWORTH.—In this city, May 9, 1898, of apoplexy, Samuel, son of Thomas and Mary Hepworth; aged 45 years, 10 months and 6 days.

WHITE.—In this city, May 22, 1898, of lockjaw, John Harrison, son of John H. and Clara Feveryear White, born March 4, 1889, in Salt Lake City.

Hughes.—In this city, of Bright's disease, Ellen, beloved wife of Francis D. Hughes, in the 57th year of her age.

Williamson.—In the Fifth ward, this city, at 5 a. m. May 18, 1898, William Williamson, a native of Scotland; cause of death, general debility.

Anderson.—In Salt Lake City, May 18, 1898, of meningitis, Selma, daughter of Carl and Mary Anderson, aged 5 years, 7 months and 21 days.

Spencer.—At Paris, Bear Lake county, Idaho, May 20, 1898, of consumption, Leonora Horne Spencer, daughter of George B. and Leonora T. Spencer, aged 27 years.

Buttle.—In the Sixth ward, Salt Lake City, at 10:15 a. m., May 18, 1898, of intorseption of the bowels, Joseph A., only son of Joseph A. and Mary Bézant Buttle; aged 1 year, 1 month and 22 days.

Atkinson.—At Nephi, Utah, May 10, 1898, John Atkinson; born September 14, 1812, in Thirsk, Yorkshire, England. He joined the Church in 1852; moved to Nephi in 1896. He lived an honest, upright life, and died in full fellowship. He leaves a devoted wife who will miss his company.

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