EVENTS IN THE WEST.

A Record of Occurrences in Neighboring States and Territories.

MERRITT NOW GOVERNOR AT MANILA.

Relief's Hence Work to Save the Children—Politics in California—Arrested for Murder.

S. G. Pinion has been arrested at Gunnison, Colo., charged with the killing of Jerry Cunningham and Dan Dodge.

The steamer Cleveland sailed Tuesday from San Francisco for St. Michaels, the record for the voyage, with a full cargo of people and mining supplies.

Capt. Cohn's troop of Utah cavalry left Fort Douglas, Tuesday night for Fort Robert, Lewis, Sixth and Seventh streets, Los Angeles, Cal. (Wednesday) morning.

At Oakland, Cal., Henry Ostenrieder, the Lord Great Albert, has been convicted of larceny and his sentence will be pronounced by Judge Ellsworth next Wednesday.

The Democrats of Wyoming will open their wine campaign with a public meeting at Evanston on September 10th. At that time the party candidates will be asked to speak.

At the mile house now attached to the hospital corps in San Francisco are 6 women who are to be sent to Manila. It is said to be the Philippines and Hawaii will be taken by the local hospitals will be taken by seniors.

About $100,000 nearly in gold and silver bullion will be cabled to Manila on the departure for the islands of United States troops in the Philippines. The sum will be guarded by a detachment of soldiers.

In San Francisco Tuesday the remains of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Corbett were interred after the final prayers had been said. The burial was discussed in Fort James J. Corbett and his brother Tom could attend.

The Republicans of California met in state convention at Sacramento Wednesday morning. Ex-Lieutenant Governor Irwin Jacob Neff was elected chairman of the convention. This is taken to be a positive indication that Henry Cage of Los Angeles will be nominated for governor.

The Dick crew who sailed from San Francisco April 9th in the schooner Ogden Hale, bound for Jack Co. Young's expedition, arrived in Honolulu Sunday morning, the 14th inst. They had a good voyage and came with the Hale through quite healed nearly in Israel.

Dr. McMillan, chief surgeon of the department of California, has received a letter from Chief Surgeon Lippincott, also General Merritt requesting that the Tenth Cavalry be ordered to Manila upon arrival in the Philippines. The request is expected to be granted by the War Department at Washington.

Chang Sanchi, late United States minister to China, who has just returned to this country after 12 years of consecutive service at the Chinese capital, is now on his way to his home in Rockville, Ind., where he expects to reside permanently. He arrived at the consulate of Hawaii, and refused to discuss Chinese affairs.

A special from Manila of August 23rd, says: General Merritt has assumed the governor's duties and transferred the command of the Eighteenth to Major-Gen. E. S. Otis. Brigadier-General H. G. Otis of California has been ordered to report to General Anderson and General McArthur has been assigned to the position of Military Governor of the Twenty-third regiment, and assumed the brigade in place of Gen. McArthur.

The first case before the new general court martial appointed by General Merritt was that of Private Andrew W. Borrage of the First Tennessee regiment, charged with an assault upon Dan Theobald, a negro, with intent to kill. Second Lieutenant John W. Hanger, of the Twentieth Kansas, who had been assigned to defend the prisoner, raised a question that the prisoner was defendant, because it failed to state when and where the alleged offense was committed. Without deciding the question the court adjourned. Charges against several other members of the Tennessee regiment of breaking into the house of the Thomas family, in which Borrage is also the case of Borrage has been dropped and Colonel Miller has appointed a board of officers to assess the personal and property damages of the Thomas family.

The Rev. F. A. Horton of Farmington, Cal., arrived at Stockton Tuesday and brought news of the recent death of Mrs. E. M. Thomas, the lady of the house, who was burned to death, and the miraculous escape of her three children, who were saved from death by her own heroic efforts and those of a neighbor. The mother was endeavoring to give the children their Saturday night bath, when, in some unaccountable way, an oil lamp was upset by one of the little ones. Mrs. Malkemus, hearing screams, rushed into the room and grabbed the infant and pushed it to place of safety with it and dashed back to save the others, but in her efforts to extinguish the burning her own clothes were ignited. She managed to save another child before being overcome, and met a neighbor into the flames after the burning loop, who was saved. All three children and the rescuers were terribly burned, the mother dying on Sunday morning. The others will recover.

The representatives of the transcontinental railroad lines in the United States met again Tuesday at Denver and resumed discussion of the Canadian Pacific differentials. Robert Kerr, general traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific, was detailed at the meeting. Many suggestions were offered looking to plan to meet the competition of the transcontinental lines on this side of the United States, and much discussion ensued. An agreement to submit the matter of transcontinental freights to a board of arbitration, consisting of three members, was reached, and it was decided to allow the Canadian Pacific the selection of one member, the second to be chosen by the transcontinental lines in the United States and the remaining arbitrator to be the choice of the first two selected. The agreement was signed by Robert Kerr on the part of the Canadian Pacific, and E. T. Jeffery, president of the Rio Grande, as chairman of the conference. It is the unanimous opinion of those engaged in the conference that transcontinental freight rates are sure to be placed on a tariff basis, and that not only would freight rates be made uniform, but passenger rates as well.

The British Antarctic Expedition.

[London Telegraph.]

The arrangements for the expedition to the Antarctic regions, which will sail from the Thames toward the middle of August, in the Southern Cross, are being completed. The Southern Cross at present lying in the St. Katherine docks, is a vessel of four hundred and eighty-one tons, both rigged, and fitted with a triple expansion engine. Her length is 103 feet, breadth 36.7 feet, depth 17.6 feet, and she will have a speed of nine knots. The bows are eleven feet through of solid oak, while the sides are thirty-six inches thick in the weakest part. The whole is covered by a sheet iron-hide of American manufacture. She has been designed by Mr. Colin Archer, the builder of the Fram, and, with the exception of Nansen's famous ship, there is not a strong-er wooden vessel afloat.

The expedition will be under the leadership of Mr. Carsten Egeberg Borchgrevink, an anglo-Norwegian, who has had whaling experience in Antarctic latitudes. His scientific staff will consist of Sub-Lieutenant W. Colwick, B. N. R. (first magnetic observer), Mr. Louis Bernacchi, of the Meteorological Office (second magnetic observer), Mr. Herbert Ekroyd, of Christ's College (medical officer), and Messrs. Nicolai Hanson and Hugh Evans (assistant officers). The expedition will be provided with a complete set of astronomical instruments, and the scientific staff will be equipped with the best obtainable instruments for the study of the magnetic phenomena of the Antarctic regions.