EVENTS IN THE WEST.

A Record of Occurrences in Neighboring States and Territories.

VESSELS AFFECTED BY LATE ORDER.

Small Effect Yet—Effort to Clock Progress—Pugilistic Encounters—Death of an Aged Artist.

Bisson Hotel, the oldest artist in California is dead, aged 71 years. He came to California forty-five years ago, and his paintings have been sought by the wealthy ever since.

The steamer Mexico arrived at San Francisco on Wednesday night, carrying 1,000 boxes of oranges. Some of the boxes were damaged by the rough weather they encountered on the voyage, and the fruit will have to be marketed by auction.

At 4:30 Thursday morning Henry Gage was arrested at San Rafael for the murder of his wife, Ida Gage, on a charge of premeditated murder. He was arrested by the sheriff of Marin county and was found in the house of a friend. Gage shot his wife in the head, killing her instantly, and then cut his throat with a razor. He was found by his son, who was sent for by his mother, and was still living when the sheriff arrived. He was taken to the county jail.

At Wolfrum Pavilion, San Francisco, Wednesday night, Fred Blake knocked out Del Kinney in the eighth round of a hard fought battle. Young Peter Jackson knocked out Harry Riordan in the second round. Kid McPadden knocked out Terry in the tenth round. Harlem Kid on Joe Walcott was a good match.

The steamer Australia arrived at San Francisco Wednesday evening from Honolulu. She brought 1,200 bags of sugar and a number of passengers. The Australia reports that the Kilauea, which left Honolulu for San Francisco on the 12th, had to return to port for repairs. The vessel was not injured to any extent.

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Will Cook has filed a suit against the Pacific Mail, claiming that there was a contract between the firm of Cook and Tarpey and the Pacific Mail, under which the firm was to furnish coal and hold up the portuguese steamers. The contract provided that the firm should furnish coal for a period of one year, if the Pacific Mail should, at any time in the period of one year, need a boat, it is provided in the contract that the firm of Cook and Tarpey should furnish coal for the Pacific Mail, and the firm claims that the Pacific Mail has failed to do so.

Sandy Morrison is expected back from Honolulu on September 20th or 30th, and, according to the information given at our headquarters, Mr. Morrison, Senior, of San Francisco, will be removed and will go to Butte with return to take his former place at the head of the department of California. Mrs. Morrison accompanied her husband to the department of the Columbia.

Henry Gage was sentenced Wednesday at Sacramento, Cal., to the maximum term of life imprisonment for the murder of his wife, Ida Gage, at San Rafael, on the morning of the 18th inst. Gage was a native of Illinois and was about 45 years of age. He was a member of the Republican party in the eighties and served in the state legislature with Romaine, Belcher, Rolfe, Wright and Lewis, who subsequently did opposite duties in and out of the state.

The officers and delegates to the grand lodge of the Home Improvement of the Workmen of the World were the guests of the Pacific Union lodge, of San Francisco, last Wednesday night. The old men were treated to an excursion on the bay on board the Knight Templar. Many members of the grand lodge of the Workmen of Workmen, composed of the officers of the grand lodge, were in consideration of the work of the workmen, but the delegates to the grand lodge of the Home Improvement of the Workmen of the World were entertained by the Pacific Union lodge.

Russell J. Wilson, one of the representatives of the Stanford estate on the board of directors of the Southern Pacific company, is dying at Monterey. He is at his residence in San Francisco. He was stricken with apoplexy or something very much like it, that morning while dining with friends at the Pacific Union club. While there he was immediately thought of his home, the attending physicians, Dr. C. M. Hinkle and Dr. Gibbons, have pronounced his condition to be most serious.

According to a report from Washington, among the troops soon to be mustered out are the California battalion of artillery and the First Washington volunteers now stationed at San Francisco and the extra battalion of the regiment now in the state of Washington. Orders will be issued for the mustering out of the Washington regiment, leaving the regiment in the state. It is the intention of the Washington regiment to go home at the first opportunity