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Berry house last week, has been investigated by a coroner's jury, who found the verdict that he came to his death by morphine, taken with intent of self-destruction.

In Alameda county, Judge McKee, of the Third District Court, has sentenced Ramon Amador, a native of California, to be hanged on Thursday, the 31st of August next. Amador murdered a butcher, named Hancock, to get possession of a rifle, which he coveted.

The Omnibus R. R. Co. has reduced the street car fare to four cents; other companies are expected to follow suit.

At a late hour last evening there were rumors on the street that the leaguers at Amador had inaugurated a reign of terror and commenced murdering all parties obnoxious to them. Notices were immediately issued for the national guards to hold themselves in readiness to march at a moment's notice, and a large force has reported for duty at the respective armories. The troops generally are anxious to turn out and meet the leaguers. A reign of terror was inaugurated by McKee, a prominent leaguer, who was in turn shot and killed or mortally wounded by Hatch. The Amador Company's force is blockaded by the leaguers, as is also the telegraph office, and it is supposed that the wires have been cut by the masked leaguers seeking to murder various parties. A reign of terror is prevailing.

Governor Haight has received no notice of any shape of trouble at Sutter Creek requiring military interference. He will act on proper notice promptly and a force of readiness to leave as soon as ordered out. General Cotton and other mine owners had received nothing from Sutter Creek or Amador concerning the difficulties since being sent to the military officers warning them against protecting the Italians in their proposed parade, on Sunday week, notwithstanding that they had been taken to prevent any breach of the peace at that time.

The weather is fine and pleasant.

FOREIGN NEWS.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, 25.—Dispatches from Madrid in relation to the recent ministerial crisis are somewhat confused. It now appears that members of the cabinet formed by the secretary have taken the oath of office. The minister of war acts as minister of state. A number of Spanish officials have tendered their resignations.

The Standard to-day publishes the details of a series of atrocious murders which recently occurred in the Philippine Islands. More than two hundred persons were swallowed up by the earth, and every one of them almost instantly killed. Sixty-three of the dead have been recovered; the rest of the inhabitants have fled the country, which has been almost depopulated.

IRELAND.

DUBLIN, 24.—A great meeting was held on Saturday on Lloyd's Hill, Meath, to protest against the eviction of a large number of farmers. Violence was threatened if necessary to resist the evictions.

CANADA.

MONTEAL, 25.—There is considerable excitement over the discovery of a plot to organize in this city a filibustering expedition against Cuba. The committee in Montreal do not wish any more men from this quarter. Branches in London, Toronto and Hamilton are recruiting vigorously. A lot of Snider guns and ammunition have been purchased in Montreal.

FRANCE.

PARIS, 25.—The committee of the Assembly upon the budget proposes to raise fresh duties to the amount of six hundred millions of francs. It is again rumored that Favre intends to resign the ministry of foreign affairs.

There is a hope that the regular sittings of the courts will re-commence on Monday next.

VERSAILLES, 25.—Thiers has refused to accept the proffered resignation of Favre as minister of foreign affairs.

The Assembly courts martial are positively announced for July 31st.

The moderate Republicans in the Assembly are negotiating for a truce with the Radical Left.

A Harmless Reptile.

Not only are toads actually harmless, but they are also absolutely and directly useful to us, parambulating our fields and gardens at night, and devouring vast quantities of injurious insects which would never be destroyed by the hand of man. The mode in which a toad takes its prey is very curious. The singularly beautiful eyes of the toad is as quick as it is bright, and it within the range of its vision an insect or a grub should happen to move, the toad is sure to see it, and it nearly certain to catch it. First the toad holds its head as high as possible, so as to make sure of its prey, and then crawls slowly toward it, preferring to get up to it, if possible. When it is nearly within reach, it goes rapidly at the insect, its mouth being gradually brought nearer. Something pink then flashes from its mouth, and the insect vanishes as if by magic.

The pink flash is the tongue of the toad, which is formed in a rather glibulous way. The base of the tongue is fixed to the front of the lower jaw, and is long and tapering, the tip being down the throat when it is at rest. When, however, it is used for catching prey, it is thrown out with a sort of "click," and the tip which is covered with a sort of glutinous secretion, adheres to the insect, and conveys it down the toad's throat before the prey has had time to make an effort for escape. When the toad swallows its prey, it does it in a peculiar manner. It is during which the eyes almost disappear, the size of the insect having little to do with the volume of the demonstration. Sometimes when a large beetle is swallowed it does struggle, but too late, and for some time its struggles may be seen through the thin and fibrous sides of its cap. The toad during which the eyes almost disappear, the size of the insect having little to do with the volume of the demonstration. Sometimes when a large beetle is swallowed it does struggle, but too late, and for some time its struggles may be seen through the thin and fibrous sides of its cap. The toad during which the eyes almost disappear, the size of the insect having little to do with the volume of the demonstration. Sometimes when a large beetle is swallowed it does struggle, but too late, and for some time its struggles may be seen through the thin and fibrous sides of its cap.

Moreover, the toad is equally useful in the destruction of the eggs and kickings of a large beetle, but is equally indifferent to the stings of wasps, bees and insects similarly armed with venomous weapons, and will even swallow them as a sort of gentianic to digestion, like cayenne pepper with cucumber.

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