

Officers.—Mrs. Mary Roccatagliata, President; Mrs. Antonietta Domini, Vice-President; Mrs. Idegonda Beretta, Secretary and Treasurer.

**KNIGHTS COMMANDERS OF THE SUN.**—This Order was instituted October 17, 1875, and is now established in seventeen States and Territories of the Union, and also in Canada and Nova Scotia, and is chiefly composed of members of other secret benevolent societies. Its organization is divided into three divisions, viz: The National and State, Grand and Subordinate Commanderies. As in Knight Templar, or Scottish Rite Freemasonry, the officers bear high sounding titles of rank created in the feudal ages, during the Crusades. This Order, for its organization of government and rank, adopts that of the official corps of the United States Army, and for its regalia adopts the national colors of the country in which it is organized. Its objects are to disseminate light, and intellectual and moral improvement. It is semi-military in its government, benevolent and fraternal in its character, and provides for the widows and orphans of its deceased members.

There are in California one State Grand and three Subordinate Commanderies, two of which are in this city.

**NATIONAL GRAND COMMANDERY.**—Edwin A. Sherman, General Grand Commander-in-chief; Henry T. Tucker, Adjutant General; James L. Cogswell, Assistant Adjutant General. Office 232 Sutter street, room 6.

**STATE GRAND COMMANDERY OF CALIFORNIA.**—Meets on the first Monday before the 9th of September, the anniversary of the admission of California into the Union. Charles W. Dannels, Lieutenant-General Grand Commander-in-chief; William A. Fogg, Assistant Adjutant-General.

**HIGH TWELVE COMMANDERY, No. 1.**—Meets every Friday evening at 232 Sutter street.

**GLOBE COMMANDERY, No. 3.**—Meets every Monday evening at 232 Sutter street.

**KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.**—The first Lodge of this Order in California was organized March 25, 1869. Since then other Lodges have been organized in the State, twelve of which are in San Francisco.

**THE GRAND LODGE OF CALIFORNIA.**—Organized September 28, 1869.

Officers.—David McClure, P. G. C.; E. T. Blackmer, G. C.; S. L. Terry, V. G. C.; W. E. Beach, G. P.; A. G. Booth, G. K. R. S.; J. J. Vasconcellos, G. M. E.; Geo. Cantus, G. M. A.; Geo. Bolser, G. I. G.; Wm. E. Oughton, G. O. G.

The following Subordinate Lodges of the City of San Francisco meet at Pythian Castle, 913 Market street, on the following evenings:

- CALIFORNIA LODGE, No. 1.—Meets every Thursday.
- DAMON LODGE, No. 2.—Meets every Tuesday.
- GOLDEN GATE LODGE, No. 3.—Meets every Friday.
- LAUREL LODGE, No. 4.—Meets every Monday.
- IVANHOE LODGE, No. 5.—Meets every Wednesday.
- ALEMANIA LODGE, No. 8.—Meets every Wednesday.
- EUREKA LODGE, No. 9.—Meets every Friday.
- EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 12.—Meets every Tuesday.
- HARMONY LODGE, No. 15.—Meets every Thursday.
- MYRTLE LODGE, No. 16.—Meets every Sunday.
- METROPOLITAN LODGE, No. 24.—Meets every Monday.

**SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO LODGE, No. 45.**—Meets every Saturday at South San Francisco.

**BUREAU OF RELIEF.**—Meets at 913 Market street first of each month.

**KNIGHTS OF ST. PATRICK.**—Organized January, 1875. Number of members three hundred and fifty. Meets second and fourth Mondays of each month, at Charter Oak Hall, 771 Market street. Objects: The elevation of Ireland to her place among the nations; the formation of a sick fund for sick members, and to provide them with Christian burial; the education and advancement of the friends of the society.

Officers.—James J. McDonnell, President; J. J. Thomas and M. O'Donnell, Vice-Presidents; J. M. Dwyer, Recording Secretary; Martin Kelly, Financial Secretary.

**KNIGHTS OF THE RED BRANCH.**—A secret Irish organization, the object of which is known only to the members of the association.

K. R. B., No. 1.—Meets every Thursday, at 751 Market street.

K. R. B., No. 2.—Meets every Wednesday, at 751 Market street.

K. R. B., No. 3.—Meets every Wednesday at Charter Oak Hall.

K. R. B., No. 4.—Meets every Tuesday, at 751 Market street.

**KONG CHOW BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (Chinese).**—Incorporated September 24, 1867. Location of asylum, north side of Pine street, between Kearny and Dupont. Object: To dispense charity to poor and worthy Chinese.

**LADIES' FRENCH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (Société de Bienfaisance des Dames Française).**—Incorporated June 5, 1867. Meetings held last Monday of each month, at French Library, 120 Sutter street. Number of members, one hundred and eighty. Object: The relief of French families that may be in want and distress.

Officers.—Mrs. B. Bona, President; Mrs. C. Mayer, Vice-President; Mrs. Blum, Secretary; Mrs. A. Gros, Treasurer.

**LADIES' PROTECTION AND RELIEF SOCIETY.**—Established August 4, 1853. Incorporated August 9, 1854.

This society has under its supervision a Home where friendless or destitute girls under the age of fourteen and over two years, and boys under ten and over two years, may be received and provided for until permanent homes in Christian families can be found for them.

The building of this institution is located on Franklin street, between Post and Geary, and is a fine and commodious structure. It consists of a main building and north wing, two stories high, with full basement and Mansard roof. The wing was commenced October 1, 1863, and completed April 20, 1864, and the main building was finished in the beginning of 1869. The cost of the edifice, including grading, fencing, etc., was \$44,000.

Applications for admission should be made to Mrs. Dr. Ober, at the Home, between the hours of one and three o'clock P.M., on Mondays and Fridays of each week. Donations of money, etc., may be sent to Mrs. Jane Flint, at the Home or at her residence, 1312 Powell street. Letters and communications should be addressed to Mrs. M. M. Soule, 822 Howard street.

Officers.—Mrs. Nathaniel Gray, President; Mrs. George Barstow, Vice-President; Mrs. M. M. Soule, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Jane Flint, Treasurer; Miss Mary McGladery, Matron.

**LADIES' SEAMAN'S FRIEND SOCIETY.**—Organized March 26, 1856. This society is the offspring of the great philanthropic movement on behalf of seamen which has peculiarly distinguished the last half century. The "men of the sea," an invaluable class of all mercantile countries, are subjected, by the nature of their avocation, to hardship and deprivation, moral, social, and intellectual. To ameliorate their condition by supplying them with a home, when on shore, surrounded by remedial inducements, and affording them protection from imposition, are the objects of the society.

Officers.—Mrs. R. H. Lambert, President; Mrs. A. B. Baker, Vice-President; Miss M. Knight, Secretary; Mrs. G. Burroughs, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. C. E. Cogswell, Treasurer.

**LADIES' SOCIETY OF ISRAELITES (Israelitische Frauen Verein).**—Established August 12, 1833, for the purpose of assisting Hebrew women under all circumstances of want. Meets Mondays and Thursdays of each week, at 414 Clay street.

Officers.—Mrs. S. Forman, President; Mrs. Hess, Vice-President; Leo Elousser, Secretary; Mrs. M. Heller, Treasurer.

**LADIES' UNION BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (Colored).**—Incorporated April 8, 1861. Number of members, seventeen. Meets in the vestry A. M. E. Church, Powell street, second Monday evening in each month.

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