

Officers.—E. Raas, President; H. Well, First Vice-President; A. Gostiaux, Second Vice-President; E. Meyer, Treasurer; L. Sachler and H. Clerc de Landresse, Secretaries; A. Masson, Librarian and Secretary.

The library belonging to the society contains about fourteen thousand volumes, partly voluntary donations. Any person may have access to the reading room, being acceptable to the Board of Trustees and paying an initiatory fee of one dollar, and fifty cents monthly, due in advance. Open every day from twelve to six o'clock P.M., and from half-past seven to ten o'clock P. M., except Sundays and legal holidays.

MARINERS' FREE READING ROOM.—Northeast corner of Sacramento and Drumm streets. Established March 21, 1876, for the purpose of affording mariners visiting this port, and others, opportunity of reading the local, Eastern, and foreign newspapers, and periodicals, free of charge. The library contains eight hundred volumes.

Officers.—Henry Chester, President; Charles Ferris, Treasurer; W. D. Bishop, Secretary and Librarian.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—Organized March 29, 1855. Location, 31 Post street.

The objects of this institute are the establishment of a library, reading room, collection of a cabinet, scientific apparatus, works of art, and other literary and scientific purposes. The society has a Reading Room well supplied with the leading scientific and literary periodicals of the day, and a valuable library containing forty thousand volumes, including many rare scientific works. Any person may become a member, being acceptable to the Board of Trustees, by paying an initiation fee of one dollar, and one dollar and fifty cents quarterly dues in advance. The Institute also owns the magnificent "Mechanics' Pavilion," located on the southwest corner of Groves and Larkin streets, in which, under the auspices of the Institute, the Annual Industrial Expositions are held.

Officers.—P. B. Cornwall, President; David Kerr, Vice-President; J. A. Bauer, Treasurer; W. P. Stout, Recording Secretary; I. C. Stump, Corresponding Secretary; J. H. Culver, Assistant Secretary; Horace Wilson, Librarian.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.—Organized January 24, 1833. Mercantile Library Building, north side of Bush street, between Sansone and Montgomery.

The rooms of the association are commodious and well arranged. The library contains about fifty-two thousand volumes, and the reading rooms are simply supplied with papers and magazines from the Eastern States and Europe. The terms of membership are one dollar and a half per quarter in advance.

Officers.—O. V. Walker, President; E. J. Molera, Vice-President; A. Gerberding, Recording Secretary; Frank P. McLennan, Corresponding Secretary; Henry Molineux, Treasurer; A. E. Whitaker, Librarian.

MILITARY LIBRARY.—Incorporated January 3, 1873, for the purpose of a quiring, preserving and conducting a public library, to consist chiefly of books, magazines and newspapers of a military character. There are twelve hundred and twenty-three volumes and two hundred maps.

Officers.—W. H. Dimond, President; W. R. Smedberg, Treasurer; David Wilder, Secretary and Librarian; W. H. Dimond, W. R. Smedberg, Robert Tobin, G. W. Granniss, A. S. Hubbard, H. D. Raultet, J. C. Robinson, H. P. Bush, Hans H. Kohler, Trustees. Office 115 Kearny street, room 6.

NATIVE SONS OF THE GOLDEN WEST.—Organized July 11, 1875. A library and reading room under the auspices of the Order is maintained in Pioneer Building, 24 Fourth street. There are one hundred parlors in the State.

A Grand Parlor was instituted in December, 1878, which meets annually in April.

Officers.—Charles W. Deuker, Past Grant President; C. H. Garrouite, Grand President; M. A. Don, Grand Vice-President; Dr. W. H. McLoughlin, Grand Treasurer; Henry P. Lunstedt, Grand Secretary; Jackson Hatch, Grand Orator; H. C. Gassford, Grand Marshal.

Nine subordinate Parlors have been organized in San Francisco, viz:

CALIFORNIA PARLOR No. 1.—Meets every Thursday evening in Pioneer Building, 24 Fourth street. Number of members, two hundred and thirty-five.

PACIFIC PARLOR No. 10.—Meets every Tuesday evening in Pioneer Building, 24 Fourth street. Number of members, one hundred and twenty-five.

GOLDEN GATE PARLOR, No. 29.—Meets every Monday in Pioneer Building, 24 Fourth street. Number of members, one hundred and thirty.

MISSION PARLOR, No. 38.—Meets every Wednesday at 2943 Sixteenth street. Number of members, two hundred and fifteen.

SAN FRANCISCO PARLOR, No. 49.—Meets every Thursday at Universal Hall, 808 Pacific street. Number of members, one hundred and fifty.

EL DORADO PARLOR, No. 52.—Meets every Thursday at the corner of Sacramento and Polk streets. Number of members, ninety.

RINCON PARLOR No. 72.—Meets every Wednesday at Pioneer Building, 24 Fourth street. Number of members, one hundred and seventy-five.

STANFORD PARLOR No. 76.—Meets every Friday at 24 Fourth street. Number of members, one hundred and seventy-five.

YERBA BUENA PARLOR, No. 84.—Meets every Wednesday at 114 O'Farrell street. Number of members, sixty.

PACIFIC COAST AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION.—Meets at 605 Merchant street.

Officers.—W. H. Lowden, President; George Tashelra, Vice-President; W. M. Speyer, Secretary and Treasurer; Sidney M. Smith, Corresponding Secretary.

PATRIOTIC ORDER SONS OF AMERICA.—This Order was first organized in Philadelphia in 1847. In 1866 the Order was reorganized and placed upon a more substantial basis, and its membership now seek to locate a camp in every town in the United States. It has for its objects the inculcation of pure American principles; the opposition to foreign interference with State interests in the United States of America; the cultivation of a fraternal and brotherly love; the preservation of the Constitution of the United States; and the propagation of free education.

State Officers.—A. H. Cummins, Past President; James O. Wanzler, Santa Cruz, State President; J. W. Canfield, San Jose, State Vice-President; M. W. Hanks, San Francisco, State M. of F. and C.; A. C. Reid, State Treasurer; Frank W. Oatman, State Secretary. Office, 601 California street.

There is a sick benefit fund for members, male and female, which pays \$10 per week.

STATE CAMP.—Was instituted December 15, 1880.

Number of Camps in the State, thirty-three.

Two Camps of the Order are established in this city, viz:

WASHINGTON CAMP, No. 4.—Instituted May 30, 1879. Meets every Tuesday at Charity Hall, 32 O'Farrell street.

WASHINGTON CAMP, No. 14.—Meets every Saturday evening at 32 O'Farrell street.

PEOPLE'S FREE LIBRARY, THE.—Organized 1879. Location north side of Bush street, between Kearny and Dupont streets.

This institution was provided for in the Act passed by the Legislature in April, 1880, authorizing the creation and maintenance of free libraries, and empowering the Supervisors to levy a tax of not exceeding one mill on the dollar for their support. The library was formally opened June 7, 1879, with about 6,162 volumes, (magazines and periodicals not included), together with a newspaper department. At this time there are nearly 70,000 volumes in the library. Between 25,000 and 28,000 are circulated each month. Number of members (persons entitled to use books at home), 31,000. The library is open for reading from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M.

Board of Trustees.—Thos. B. Bishop, A. L. Mann, P. N. Lilienthal, William Norris, E. R. Taylor, E. D. Sawyer, Theodore A. Lord, Chas. C. Terrill, Robt. J.

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