STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Some Wonderfully Constructed Green Goods Circulars

GOT FRITCH INTO TROUBLE

Educated Citizens of Prominence Addressed by the Operators

Write Answers Inquiring How About gitimate Scheme by Which They
Are to Be Made Wealthy

W. P. Fritch, the green goods operator, and his two young sons whom he has start-ed on the high road to a life of crime, were raigned before United States Commis-oner Van Dyke yesterday on a charge of ing the United States mail to defraud.

The old man took the matter very coolly, as did also his hopefuls. They did not em to be at all put out by the court proceedings, which mean so much for them. The fact is that Mr. Fritch is not fully aware of the evidence the government has against him. Postoffice Inspector Motley H. Flint has succeeded in working up a ase that practically insures Fritch a term

case that practically insures Fritch a term in the penitentiary. The tender age of the boys may save them.

Inspector Flint handled this case of confidence work very cleverly. Old man Fritch had the boys send out the letters, which were in their handwriting, to parties of whom he had received information. He knew that they were guilible and that he was reasonably safe in addressing them. The following is a copy of the first

some time past. The boys have been living with their father. In assisting him in nis crooked work they apparently did not realize the magnitude of the crime they were committing against the federal gov-

WAITING FOR THE GOVERNOR

Westminster.

issued by the county clerk yesterday: Rufus Wiley, a native of Illinois, aged 28 years, and Florence Savage, a native of Ireland, aged 24 years; both residents of

Pomona.

Wm. J. Anderson, a native of Missouri, aged 24 years, and a resident of Los Angeles, and Laura M. Nadeau a native of California, aged 22 years, and a resident

Strictly Confidential Hear Friend trusting that these will interest you enough to keep it streetly confidential And will be interested in our business I was especially requested to write and explain our business to you by one of your friends which is judging from the large orders we receive from him rukly Tou goods he is making very by money at it I his comp any is largely interested in silver ming Being silver has drooped so very low in

so very low in price this large Co. can to the conclusion to manufacture these goods whic in fact is money itself. The most skeptic under the severest test, can not tell this goods from real government stamped money. Judging by the recommend as to your (friend) confidentiat, we will kindly ask you to try our business as agent by which I can assure you that you can make more dollars then you ever made cts', at any other business. But must be confidential.

that is why it is so.

P. S. on other side.

Please send this with first order to me.
for fear of accident. I will do the same
with yours. Wrap silver and send in plain

When you order you may send paper

When you order you may send paper money if you wish.

Address as per slip.

The slip referred to gave the address of w. P. Tritt, and it was in this name that Britch received his mail. After Inspector Flint received this letter he had it photographed, for in order not to excite suspicion he was compelled to return it to Fritch.

This he did, and then he received the following letter in reply:

This he did, and then he received the fol-lowing letter in reply:

Dear Sir I am honest in my deal, was plad to hear that you would be honest hon-setly & Confidentily is what is required in all business especially this. A trial order will convince the most SKeptic as to this. Please find a no 25 sege inclosed. We have these Seges nos. ,25 ,50 and 1,00 you can have either no when you Order State which no, after your first Order we will reg-mis you as our agent and you will get the prods direct from the Mfg. Co as follows \$25 00 worth of goods for \$10 00 \$50 00 " "\$20 00 this business is as any other, those that

business is as any other, those that ke a hold will win while the slugard and still.

vill stand still.

If you will keep all your business to rourself and go ahead success will be thure & the reward grat to try your confidentially standing I will ask you to always send my letters bacd with first order.

I will be true for it is my interest to be to work with us we will expect the same of you this is the only way this business can be carried on. I have been in this business lore years and not one of my agents have yet found fault with me but I was fault of many a poor felloe let to fortune

or felloe let to fortune Youes Trily Address as per slip. This letter Inspector Flint was compelled return, but he had it photographed. The off captured at the residence when the ritches were gathered in will all be used gainst them. It includes a lot of new parters, some circulars, rubber stamps,

were committing against the lederal government.

Inspector Flint is of the opinion that the Fritches were operating independently of any accomplices. He thinks that they were working simply to get all they could by their individual confidence work. They had sent out circulars very plentifully during the last few months and were beginning to receive a great many letters, some of them from apparently educated and intelligent people.

Fritch came to Los Angeles from Tulare. He will probably go from Los Angeles to the penitentiary.

He Failed to Come and Many People Were Disappointed Governor James H. Budd and General A. W. Barrett did not arrive yesterday have been engaged for the executive at the

Yesterday fully 100 people called at the hotel to see the governor. They all had "very important" business to consult him upon. No explanation as to why the governor failed to arrive as per program has been received. He is expected now on every train by his close friends here.

The following marriage licenses were

of Florence.
Daniel R. Hawkins, a native of Illinois, aged 24 years, and a resident of Norwalk, and Emile N. Ashman, a native of California, aged 21 years, and a resident of Tombstone, Ariz.
Francis Marion Clark. a native of Ne

First page of a confidential circular written by the son of W. P. Fritch and by the latter sent out more or less indiscriminately

letter that was sent by Fritch to most of his dupes:
(Strictly confidential)
Dear Friend trusting that this will interest you enuf to keep it strictly confidential And will be interested in your business I was especially requested to write and explain our business to you by one of your friend, which is judging from the large orders we receive from him weekley. For our goods he is making very big money at it. This company is largely interested in it This company is largely interested in silver mining Being silver has drooped so very low in price this large Co. came to the conclusion to manufacture these

confidential.

Our terms are direct dealing no money orders or stamps will be excepted. For fear of accident. You send me 10 cts. for a sample of our goods then by return mail I will send you 25 cts. as a fare sample of our goods. after which you get the goods as follows.

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Or hot air furnace; take your choice to heat your house this winter. Nauerth & Cass Hard-ware Company has them, 326 S. Spring st. se investigate this business at once and be convinced. you will receive prompt attention. Many people wonder why some are so emensely rich and others so poor.

The poor never get at the right business Fresh fish and lobsters shipped direct to all points in Arizons, Texas and Mexico, from

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For the poor daily. Drs. Lindley and Smith, Broadway and Fourth. Pirtle Block.

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We are making a great run on our new 1898 ley, King & Co., 210 North Main street.

Advance Davis sewing machines removed to 407 S. Broadway, opposite Chamber Commerce.

Dr. D. S. Diffenbacher dentist, rooms 4 and 5, 119 S. Spring st., Los Angeles. Columbus Buggy Co.'s buggies are high

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Big Tree Carriage Works, 128 Sar Pedro St Concord business wagons a specialty Everything on wheels, Hawley, King & Co.,

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Territory

A Wider Belt Will Probably be Opened or the Acreage Basis-Items From Among the Drillers

Many attempts have been made to give reason for the continued depression in the oil industry and schemes to better conditions have been suggested and some of them tried without avail. Failure has always resulted because the base of the whole difficulty was never reached. Numerous obstacles have always arisen to impede the way of intended reforms; or, if the reforms were applied, only partial relief followed. The outcome of it all is that today the oil industry is almost demoral-

An oil man of several years' experience

An oil man of several years' experience in the business and who has followed closely the growth of the local field from the time of its first opening said in an interview yesterday that no good could result from the spasmodic efforts of producers to free themselves from the burden of the present depression for the reason that the oil industry was not properly organized in the beginning.

In the first place, said he, the Los Angeles oil belt is located in a section divided into town lots. On that account wells have have been drilled in such close proximity to each other that a district of a very limited territory has been exploited by over three hundred wells. In other words, just about twenty times as much labor and capital has been expended in producing a certain amount of petroleum as was necessary. The business has not been carried on economically and those who engaged in it are now beginning to suffer the consequences. No one in particular is to blame. It is natural for a man, seeing his neighbor pumping oil from his adjoining lot, to drill a well on his own property in order to reap a part of the harvest. Just so it has been in the entire field, until there are more derricks than would be necessary to work to advantage an oil belt many times greater in magnitude.

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nitude.

In talking over the situation with a well informed producer the other day, I came to the conclusion from a careful comparative estimate made from statistics of the entire field, that the daily output of oil has decreased at least 1000 barrels. Perhaps a closer estimate would be 1200 or 1500 barrels. This is not due to a temporary suspension of pumping, but a falling off in the productivity of the wells, something that cannot be regained within the present territory. The Herald has published the statement that wells recently opened were not as prolific as those drilled earlier in the history of the addustry and I men-

the statement that wells recently opened were not as prolific as those drilled earlier in the history of the industry and I mention it now as significant of what I have just said. The territory known as the oil field has passed its best days and will hereafter decline.

In this connection I would say that the talk of transporting oil is nonsense. Soon there will be no need of shipping it outside of the city. An increase in the local consumption will bring about a condition which will be balanced by the decrease of the output of the wells.

All this applies merely to what is known as the Los Angeles oil field. Regarding the industry as a whole I have a different opinion. There is no doubt in my mind but a large area of oil producing land exists in this country, which will sooner or later be developed. When the main belt has been located, as it surely will if prospecting continues, a wide field will be opened on the acreage basis, and an industry will spring up from it second to none in the state. Just the thing this kind of weather. Sea bathing delightful. Southern Pacific trains run via Soldiers' Home and to Port southern Pacific trains run via Soldiers' Home and to Port southern Pacific trains. Crackerjacks of the Stearns team ride every day on the Southern Pacific bicycle track. Round trip Saturdays and Sunday 50 cents.

ITEMS FROM THE FIELD Rex well No. 5 is down 420 feet.

Beach, Young & Cochran have succeeded n straightening the hole at their site on

Temple street, and are once more going down toward the sand.

Bophs & Leslie, after a week's fishing have raised the tools from their well on Victor street.

Everything is in readiness for drilling at Brophy Bros. rig on Victor street, south of Temple.

Temple.

Lehman & Mills were busy yesterday trying to repair the damage done by fire early in the morning. Their loss will be in the neighborhood of \$800. The drillers are down over 600 feet in the Green well west of Belmont avenue.

Articles of incorporation of the John H. Adams company were filed with the county clerk yesterday. The principal place of business of the company is Pasadena, and it is to exist fifty years, the purpose being

business of the company is Pasadena, and it is to exist fifty years, the purpose being to sell or otherwise dispose of real or personal property, etc. The capital stock of the com pany is \$150,000, of which \$83,-000 has been actually subscribed, as follows: James H. Adams, \$55,000; Morgan O. Adams, \$20,000; Andrew Turner, \$4000; Mary E. Adams, James A. Armstrong, Florella B. Adams, and Lillian T. Adams, \$1000 each. The directors for the first year are James H., Morgan O. and Mary E. Adams, Andrew Turner, all of Pasadena, and James A. Armstrong, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Articles of incorporation of the California Home and Ranch company were also filed. The principal place of business of the corporation, which is to exist for fifty years, is Los Angeles, and the purpose is to buy and sell lands for subdivision, etc. The capital stock is \$100,000, all of which has been actually subscribed, the subscribers being the directors for the first year, as follows: John A. Yualey, \$99,960; Henry W. Nolan, Sidney McCarty, Frank B. Clark and John B. Schmalz, \$10 each.

Articles of incorporation of the Lippincott company were also filed. The corporation is to exist for fifty years, the principal place of business is Pasadena, and the purpose is to conduct a general furniture and undertaking business. The capital



| Stock is \$30,000, of which \$25,000 has been actually subscribed, the subscribers being the directors for the first year, as follows: S. Risdon Lippincott, \$6800; Ned L. Clark, \$5000; Samuel R. Lippincott, \$13,000; J. F. Lippincott and Albert F. Ives, \$100 each.

Articles of association of the Southern California Fruit Ranch and Colony were also filed. The principal place of business is on the Leffingwell ranch, near Whittier, it is to exist for fifty years, and the purpose is to own and operate a fruit ranch. Following are the directors for the first year: A. J. Utley, Sada Jackson, C. O. Hawley, L. P. Abbott, G. S. Trowbridge, B. A. Shaffer and Harriet Ann Jackson. Each member shall pay \$150 as an admission fee, and twelve have so paid and signed the roll.

SURRENDERED BY HIS BONDSMEN

lhos. Colon Will Now Have to Languish in Jail The examination of Thos. Colon and Jos. Murray, the hoodlums who struck Mr. Virtrees with rocks on New Year's day near Sycamore Grove, was begun before Justice Owens yesterday. Before the case was begun the bondsmen of Colon surrendered him, so he will have to lie in jail along with his companion until the charges

are settled.

The only witnesses examined were those The only witnesses examined were those for the prosecution. Nothing new was learned regarding the affair, the facts being as were told in the Herald at the time. In addition to the Virtrees family, several eyewitnesses related what had taken place and all said it appeared to be an outrageous and unprovoked assault. The case was continued until this afternoon at 2 p.m., when the young fellows will have an opportunity to tell why their anger became aroused against Mr. Virtrees.

A FEW BRIEF INTERVIEWS

Prominent Men in Different Walks of Life Talk Interestingly

The Rolling of Armor Plate, the Affairs in paccas Touched Upon

The influx of winter tourists is fairly started. Among them are quite a number of skilled mechanics and proprietors of large iron and textile fabric industries at the chief eastern manufacturing centers.

W. B. Armstrong, an expert roller of armor plate at the Bethlehem, Pa., iron works, is on a brief visit to his sister, Mrs. Lloyd Davis, on Downey avenue. He said: "Concurrently with the opening of 1895, the iron and steel industries in Pennsylvania and indeed throughout the country were crowded with orders for immediate delivery. My specialty is the rolling of armor plate. The scrupulous care with

armor plate. The scrupulous care with which this has to be done is very trying; and one engaged in it has to obey as rigid hygienic and dietary rules as one who is in training for a championship fight. Our company obtained the last contract for armor plate awarded by the Russian government. I shall be back at my post by the 1st of February."

Prof. Albert Deepke of The Hague is spending a long vacation with relatives on Grand avenue. He said: "I have many friends, and indeed some distant relatives, in the Boer country, as it is popularly called. The South African republic is the more correct appellation. The Jameson incident is only a repetition of the British efforts to dominate South Africa. The Boers are stubbornly averse to the recognition of those principles which, to use a

efforts to dominate South Africa. The Boers are stubbornly averse to the recognition of those principles which, to use a wide designation, we may call the rights of man. The Kaffir is more despised, contemned and rejected than is the regro today in the old slave states of this country; and besides this, they persistently deny the suffrage to the Uitlanders, nearly all of whom are men of culture and wealth, simply for the reason of their want of Dutch ancestry. The same unflinching churlishness is shown, I regret to say, to any immigrant, no matter how desirable he may be; but it is always more intensely exhibited toward an Englishman.

"Of course you will remember that the British suzerainty was annulled after the disaster to the English troops at Amajubu, I think in 1884, but I know that the British resident was removed and an inferior representative of British rule was substituted. My fellow-countrymen (the Boers) are, many of them, men of fine intellectual attainments; they realize the great future which is now dawning upon the dark continent. The coming race of Boers, I believe, will dispell the petty prejudices begotten of early colonial strifes, and as the resuscitation of decayed governments seems to be imminent, it is not impossible that on the great silent African continent, Holland may exhibit those splendid traits of patriotism, hatred of superstition, indomitable courage and love of liberty that made the Dutch republic the admiration of the world."

Robert Gilmore of the National Tube

Business college, will address the meeting on the subject of "Push, Progress and Principle." An athletic exhibition will be given by the gymnasium boys of the section. All interested in the association, both ladies and gentlemen, are invited. made the Dutch republic the admiration of the world."
Robert Gilmore of the National Tube Works at McKeesport, Pa., is visiting friends on Water street. He said: "Like every other branch of the great iron industry, we had a good share of the wave of prosperity, which began in the early months of last year. There is, at the moment less activity, but we are full up with orders which will take us till next June to fill. We think that the revival of the mining industries in California will augment the large sales we are now working on for shipment to Arizona, Southern Oregon and Utah."
Benjamin Rhodes of Bradford, England, a large manufacturer of alpacas, mohairs and tine cashmeres, is visiting friends at Santa Monica. He said: "The Wilson tariff bill increased slightly our shipments to the United States, but we have had for forty years a steady line of custom which seems to be quite unaffected by any fiscal receives on this side.

seems to be quite unaffected by any fiscal measures on this side. We are running full, at least we were when I left, and I don't feel any anxiety over the pending tariff bill in congress. I expect to see American wool growers obtain much better

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BIRTHS

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FUNERAL NOTICE The funeral services of Lucy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Osgood, will be held at Memorial Baptist Church, Twenty-first street, near sain, Jan. 11, at 2 p m.

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prices for good clips than are ruling just now. There is, I think, likely to be a sharp demand for high grade Merino wools in the

demand for high grade Merino wools in the spring."
James F. Etheredge of Lynn, Mass., a manufacturer of ladies shoes, is at the Natick house. He said: "Trade is somewhat slower than it was a year ago, still there is a fair average demand for our goods, though the St. Louis manufacturers have gotten away with some of our Pacific coast trade."

SOME CLEVER WORK

Deputy Sheriff Aguirre Recovers Three Stolen Horses

Deputy Sheriff Aguirre did some clever

OUT FOR POACHERS

making arrests.

The Cerritos club, on the line of the Terminal railway between Bixby's and Cerritors stations, near Long Beach, has been

one of the greatest sufferers from illegal shooting. Some time ago orders were given to the keeper, who is a special officer, to arrest all trespassers. One or more arrests have been made and the club will make it lively for people who invade its grounds.

Just Patriotism The wool man was very successful last

week in Washington, and now come the

attorneys of the iron man, and the coal

man and sugar man to show reason why

their clients should be given equal concessions. They are all inspired, of course with the disinterested belief that by in-

creasing the duly on the particular articles in which they deal the government's dis-tress will be greatly relieved.—Albuquerque Democrat.

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