New Fire Company—Grand Jury, etc., etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20, 1854.

The Board of Delegates of the Fire Department
admitted last evening, after great opposition, “Pet-
erson Engine Company No. 15” into the Depart-
ment. The subject is yet to come before the Com-
mon Council for adoption.

The Grand Jury are now investigating a case
of “juror bribing,” in which an ex-member of the
last Legislature received the bribe in question, to
give a verdict in favor of a rich contractor in the
sum of $25,000, in the Superior Court some time
since.

Rolla Powers, arrested in this city at the time of
the sailing of the Golden Gate for committing a
murder in Coloma, leaves on the afternoon boat for
that place, in charge of Capt. Hampton North, of
our police. In order to secure him from all further in-
terference of the courts, he was taken to the County
Jail last evening privately, and remained there
until taken to the boat.

The Plaza, that fruitful topic upon which news-
paper reporters have founded items for the past
four years, is now entirely finished, as far as rail-
ing, graveled walks and pavement are concerned.
The grass seed is to be sown, and then the contrac-
tors intend to pray for “one rain,” a short dry up
and then a rain in general, at which time they say
everything will be in lovely growing order. It is
suggested that a “City Pilot” be appointed to show
strangers the one great affair in which the Coun-
cil acted “on the square.”

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Indian Superintendent—City Bonds—Council
Appointments—New Engine—Russ Pav-
ement—The Speakership—More Bodies Found
Washed Ashore from the Wreck of the Yankee
Blade—California Guard—Mysterious
Escape, etc., etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 21st, 1854.

Col. T. J. Henley, Superintendent of Indian Af-
airs, left on the steamer Southerner, at 4 o’clock,
for Los Angeles, on his way to the Tejon Pass. He
was accompanied by Captain Wilmot Martin, for a
long time clerk in the Post Office in this city, who
goes down to take charge of the Southern Reserva-
tion. Col. Henley will return as soon as he places
very thing in proper order. Capt. Martin will be absent about six months.

Mayor Webb has advertised for bids for the $200,000 worth of bonds voted for—to be issued—by the people at the late election. The bonds are to run for twelve years, with interest at ten per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually in New York. All bids are to be sent in by the 2d November.

The following is a complete list of the appointments made last evening in joint convention by the Common Council, viz:

Clerk of the Common Council, T. J. Dehon; Sergeant-at-Arms of the Common Council, T. B. Vallee; Citizen members of the Board of Education, J. S. Billings, W. Sherman; Council members of the Board of Education, J. B. Moore, John Perry; City Engineer, J. S. Easton; Collector Street Assessments, E. F. Norton; Inspector of Markets, James J. Hassan; City Physician, Dr. E. A. Sheldon; Keeper of City Hall, F. P. Smith; Health Inspector, Geo. M. Garwood.

Pennsylvania Engine Co. 12, having received their new and elegant apparatus from Philadelphia, and the same having been put in running order, the company intend parading with full ranks on next Thursday. The engine was tested, for the first time in California, on Sunday morning last, and threw out of an 1½ pipe, from fifty feet of hose, a stream of water 191 feet. This is excellent, considering the long voyage she has taken. Attached to the engine is one of those beautiful four wheeled hose carriages, for which Philadelphia is so celebrated. The company is one of the very best in the Department, and in all of its appointments unexceptionable. R. B. Quayle, proprietor of the Sun newspaper, is Foreman of the Pennsylvanians.

The paving of Montgomery street with granite blocks is rapidly attaining completion. The building of a sewer and the construction of a new cistern at the corner of Commercial street, has greatly retarded the work. The whole work, however, will be completed in about two weeks.

Kearny street, from Washington to California, is also being improved; from the latter street to Clay, it is to be entirely repaved, and from thence to Washington street, it is to be “russed” in the original style, broken granite laid down first, then a thick coating of cement, and then the blocks of granite. This portion of the pavement is in front of the City Hall and Plaza.

The Speakership of the next House of Assembly is beginning to attract some attention. But very few candidates have as yet announced themselves.