

## CHINESE IN THE SCHOOLS.

**A Strong Test Case Found by Consul Bee.**

The parents of a Chinese girl, 7 years old, have repeatedly applied to Superintendent Moulder for the admission of their child into the public schools. Under State Superintendent Welcker's decision Mr. Moulder has refused the request, as it would be a violation of the law to grant it. The case is so strongly in favor of the little girl's admission that Consul Bee is anxious to make a test case of it, but as yet it has been kept out of his hands. The father of the child has lived in the State twenty years and has become more Americanized than perhaps any other Chinaman that has ever been here. He has had his queue cut off, has thrown off the Chinese dress, has removed from Chinatown, has adopted the language and the customs of the country, so far as possible, and has taken an American name. His wife was brought to this city when she was only a few years old and was educated by the Ladies' Protective Union. The father and mother were married by a Protestant minister and have brought up their child in American ways. The little girl is dressed as the other little girls are in the Western Addition, with whom she plays and speaks the English language more than the native tongue of her parents. The parents call themselves John and Mary Tape and have named their little girl Maimie. Consul Bee wants to make this a test case, hoping to get a favorable decision for all Chinese children. The Board of Education will consider the matter at the meeting this evening.

**A SUICIDE.****George Schmidt Cuts His Throat and Wrist.**

George Schmidt was employed in the coatroom in the Russ House until about four or five days ago, when he was discharged. As he was in straitened circumstances the loss of his situation preyed upon his mind and finally he gave way to despondency. On Sunday night he left his room, at 604 California street, with the fixed determination of ending his life. The spot chosen for the deed was on the corner of Bay and Hyde streets and about midnight of Sunday Schmidt repaired there, provided with a razor. After cutting his throat from ear to ear he slashed both his wrists and then lay down to die. The blood spurted from the three horrible gashes and coagulated in pools around his body. There he lay until daylight yesterday morning, when he was discovered and removed to the receiving hospital by Officers McLaughlin and T. K. Fliinn. Schmidt was very weak from loss of blood and it required twenty stitches to close the gaping wound in his throat. He applied the razor too high up on his throat in the hope of severing the jugular vein, but he only succeeded in cutting the smaller arteries and the windpipe and gullet. He was removed to the City and County Hospital yesterday afternoon and soon after his admission there died. He was a native of Berlin, Prussia, 33 years of age and came to this city in 1869.

**He Forgot His Girl's Name.**

"I want a license to marry," said a ruddy-faced German to a clerk yesterday afternoon in the marriage-license department, casting his eyes to the floor in an embarrassed way.

"Yes," answered the clerk, taking his pen and opening the big marriage-license book mechanically. "What's your name?"

"Jacob Terris," replied the embarrassed applicant.

"And the name of the lady?" queried the clerk.

"Catherine Terris," replied the would-be Benedict, still looking on the floor.

"What relation is she to you?" asked the clerk, observing the similarity of the names.

"None yet—that's to be her name when I marry her," replied Terris, his face growing redder.

"I must have her present name," insisted the clerk.

"Catherine—Catherine—I don't know her last name; I never heard it," answered the German, and his face burned like a fire.

"I can't issue a license without the name of the lady," said the clerk, closing the big book and putting back his pen.

"I'll go and ask her," said the German, and darted out of the door.

**The Assault on Cullen.**

A charge of an assault to murder was entered on the prison register yesterday by Officers Hayden and Mennahan against Thomas Bailey, who, it is claimed, assisted in the brutal and cowardly assault on Special Officer Lawrence Cullen in a Branuan-street coffee saloon. Bailey was arrested at the time for disturbing the peace, and yesterday the officers learned that an effort was being made to get him out on bail and then have him leave the city. The victim of the assault is reported to still be in a very precarious condition.