

## OBITUARY NOTES.

Pedar Sather, the well known capitalist and sole owner of the bank of Sather & Co., of San Francisco, died on Tuesday at his residence in Oakland, Cal., after a long illness.

A Vienna dispatch announces the death yesterday of Baron Theodore von Oppolzer, the Austrian astronomer. He was a native of Prague, and the son of Johann von Oppolzer, the celebrated philologist. He began teaching in the University of Vienna in 1866, and nine years later was appointed to the Chair of Astronomy and Geodesy, a position which he held among the Faculty until his death. In 1873 he established a private astronomical observatory, in which he did much professional work for the Government. He contributed largely to scientific publications, and his work on determining the courses of planets and comets contained a number of novel and practical suggestions. Baron von Oppolzer was but 45 years old.

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