

Death of Philip A. Bell.

Philip A. Bell, the well-known colored journalist, died at the Almshouse on Thursday evening after a protracted illness. He had been there but a few days. The deceased was eighty-one years old. He was born in New York city, and at an early period became connected with the many movements for the abolition of slavery, and was associated with Wendell Phillips, William Lloyd Garrison, Fred Douglass and many others in this great cause. He was for many years editor and proprietor of the *Colored American*, published in New York, in which he advocated strongly setting free the slaves. He came to the Pacific Coast about 1863, and founded the first colored people's newspaper ever published here, the *Pacific Appeal*. In 1865 he commenced the publication of the *Eleonor*, with which he was connected up to the time of his death. He has been a strong fighter for the rights of his people and figured prominently in every movement for that end. He was a Mason, and was also a member of the Oakland Literary and Aid Society.
