

SACRAMENTO SURPRISED HIM.

Illinois Merchant's Exalted Opinion of the City.

Prefers Sacramento and Vicinity to Any Part of the Coast—The Place for Factories.

George E. Linkfield, a prominent citizen and a retired merchant of Elgin, Ill., who with his wife is visiting Dr. Mealand and family of Sacramento, was seen yesterday by a Record reporter and he gave an interesting account of how Elgin grew from a comparatively small city to one of vast commercial importance.

"I was very much surprised," said Mr. Linkfield, "to find Sacramento a city of such large proportions and transacting so much business. The people down in Southern California, and even San Francisco, led me to believe that Sacramento was a little town of no importance whatever, and in its normal condition almost completely inundated. I was in Stockton at the time of the recent flood, and was inclined to believe the latter statement.

"I have traveled over a considerable portion of the United States, and all through Southern California," continued Mr. Linkfield, "and I can truthfully say I never saw a city possessed of such natural advantages as Sacramento. Why, there ought to be a city here of double its present population. Your people, I know, or don't appreciate what advantages they possess.

"If the people of Sacramento would raise a fund of about \$200,000 and \$250,000—a few thousand dollars will not accomplish much—to encourage manufacturers, and advertise that fact, in a very short while the best kind of institutions will be bidding to locate in this city.

"You want to know how Elgin grew so rapidly? Well, I will tell you. It is not, and never was, a boom town. It was not on the face of the map thirty years ago, but about that time the Elgin Watch Company located there. They started in employing about twenty-five men, and at the end of the first year they had increased their force to one hundred. Gradually the establishment grew until to-day it employs 3,700 men, women and children, with a monthly payroll of \$100,000. The men average \$2.75 per day and the women \$1.25.

"Seven or eight years ago the people of Elgin recognized the importance of having more manufacturers. Enterprising citizens got together, talked matters over, and determined they would have them. Large sums of money were raised by subscription and offered as bonuses. One by one the manufacturers came, and the city grew from a population of 13,000 seven years ago until to-day it has 23,000 inhabitants.

"The first to take advantage of the bonus we offered was the D. C. Cook Publishing Company. I do not remember exactly what we gave them to locate in Elgin, but we were quite liberal. To-day they employ 300 hands.

"A shoe factory followed. We gave this company a building and site worth \$40,000. Between 200 and 300 hands are now employed in making footwear.

"The Illinois Watch-case Company, employing 200 hands, came for a donation of a site and building worth \$15,000.

"The Cutter & Crosscut Shirt Factory was induced to locate in Elgin for a similar bonus to that given the Watch-case Company.

"The last factory we have been able to secure is the Silver-plate Works. We gave this company buildings and sites valued at \$14,000.

"Nearly all this progress has been made in the past five years. Elgin does not enjoy natural advantages like Sacramento. Why, the Sacramento river is worth millions of dollars to this city. I do not know of a city of so much importance as Sacramento, I say, where I heard of it. I talked about it and so little appreciated. Sacramento needs to wake up if she wants to amount to anything."

Mr. Linkfield visited the orchards and vineyards which he had seen in Sacramento County, and said he was delighted with them.

In all his travels he said he had never seen as beautiful an art gallery as is the Crocker gallery in this city. He said if Elgin had an art gallery the equal of it the people would be forever extolling it. He believes the Crocker gallery surpasses the famous one in Washington City.

Among other places visited in the city by Mr. Linkfield were the fruit canning and packing factories, which he said were something like what the city should have, and there should be other institutions of equal or greater magnitude. Over and over again he declared that any Sacramento who did not appreciate the fact that he lived in the best city and the best portion of the State must be a hard man to please.

The climate he regarded as being as nearly perfect as possible, despite the fact that a couple of months in the year may be wet. People here who had not lived in the East do not know the meaning of the word "winter."

CRIMINAL CASES.

Several Cases Called Up Yesterday—Pleas of the Accused.

Thomas L. Joy, who is charged with having voted illegally in Natoma township at the last election, was arraigned before Judge Catlin yesterday, but the case was continued until to-day.

The cases of H. Lorenzer, the "Banjo-eyed Kid," for obtaining money under false pretenses from Hornlein Bros.; William Farren, for burglary and grand larceny; John Williams, for the burglary of a freight car at Clipper Gap, and George and Maggie Harney, for extortion, were continued to to-morrow.

James Devine pleaded not guilty to the charge of robbery, as did Jack Cullen and Billy Carroll to a charge of burglarizing the warehouse of Farley & Silva and stealing potatoes.

James A. Scott pleaded not guilty to the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses from Mr. and Mrs. Lomas.

A COUNTER CLAIM.

Shields Denies That Any Money Is Due to Rooney for Pasturage.

The defendant in the case of James B. Rooney against Peter J. Shields, administrator of the estate of M. W. Hicks, deceased, has filed an amended answer to the complaint in the Superior Court, admitting the contract for pasturing certain horses, as set forth in the complaint, but denying that any money is due to him. He further alleges that the plaintiff did not carry out his part of the contract, by feeding the horses in a separate field, by feeding them hay in winter and giving them good feed in summer, or by keeping them within a well-fenced and safe enclosure. For that reason one mare died, \$1,500 hurt herself on the fence and worth \$3,000, that the feed was so poor that about twenty of the colts died.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded since our last report:

A. Ankole and P. Blawener to Harriet N. Bentley, Twenty-third street, N. and N. and Fourth and Fifth streets; \$3,700.

Catherine Berdick to Mary A. Kay—North 40 feet of lot 2, R and S, Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets.

F. D. Myers to Frances C. Myers—North 84 feet of lot 1, P and Q, Fifth and Sixth streets.

Frank D. Myers to Frances C. Myers—East half of lot 6, P and Q, Fifth and Sixth, and east half of lot 7, P and Q, Fifth and Sixth streets.

Same to same—East half of lot 6, P and Q, Fifth and Sixth, and south 25 feet of lot 5, same block.

Frances C. Myers to George H. Gray—West half of lot 2, P and Q, Fifth and Sixth streets.

George D. Newland to Mary Ives Crocker—Unimproved quarter of southeast quarter of section B, township 7 north, range 5 east, and land in other counties.

Edwin K. Alsip and Robert T. Devlin to M. L. Peters and J. A. Walters—One half acre, lot 64 of subdivision B—Oak Park and South Sacramento.

David Calvert to Sarah J. Calvert—Lot 6, M and N, Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets.

F. Y. Williams to Jacob Ankener—Lot 8, T and U, Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets, west half of lot 2, J and K, Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets.

Blanche Wilcox to Augusta M. Wilcox—South half of lot 5, Land M, Sixth and Seventh streets.

Articles of Incorporation.

The following articles of incorporation were filed in the Secretary of State's office yesterday:

East Highlands Orange Company, Redlands, Capital stock, \$50,000, Directors—P. E. Brown, R. E. Archer, J. N. Bernhart, J. V. A. Love, H. Conner.

Cherry Blossom Company, San Francisco, Capital stock, \$50,000, Directors—Joseph Bernhard, Samuel Bernhart, George W. An Dors.

Grass Valley Orphan Asylum, Grass Valley, Directors—Julia Mulligan, Ellen O'Connor, Mary Haupp, Mary Murphy, Honora O'Farrell.

Scott Billiard Table Company, San Francisco, Capital stock, \$100,000, Directors—John J. W. Wright, John F. Nolan, John T. Byrne, C. H. Hirst.

Yesterday's Weather.

The Weather Bureau reports show the highest and lowest temperatures yesterday to have been 62° and 42°, with light to gentle southerly winds and cloudless weather prevailing.

The barometrical readings at 5 A. M. and 5 P. M. were 30.22 and 30.18 inches, respectively.

The highest and lowest temperatures one year ago yesterday were 58° and 38°, with .06 of an inch of rain, and one year ago to-day 55° and 44°, with .26 of an inch of rain.

Taken to San Francisco.

C. B. Ringman, the negro arrested at Chicago Park in Nevada County for robbing the postoffice there, and also for stealing a horse and buggy belonging to Farmer Twitchell, passed through Sacramento yesterday, bound for San Francisco. He was heavily manacled, and in charge of a Deputy United States Marshal and Constable Dyer of Colfax. He will be tried in the United States Circuit Court.

Should Have Interest.

Uncle Sam is so very slow in paying his debts that he ought to be black-listed. It is now five months since the Presidential election was held, and those who served here as Deputy Supervisors have not yet received pay for their services. United States Marshal Long writes, however, that the money will be here next week.

Honorary Robbed.

Early yesterday morning sixteen chickens were stolen from P. Zeigler, who resides on D street. The robbers broke open a sliding door to get into the henry. Mr. Zeigler was asleep at the time, and has no suspicion of who the robbers are. The officers have been notified.

To Prevent the Grip.

Or any other similar epidemic, the blood and the whole system should be kept in healthy condition. Hood's Sarsaparilla to give strength, purify the blood and prevent disease.

Berlin Cough Cure.

For coughs and colds and all lung and throat troubles this article has superior merit. It is perfectly harmless, gives immediate relief, and cures the worst cases in from two to three days. Indorsed by the best physicians. In a bottle and you will always keep it. Price, 50 cents a bottle.

TWO AH JIMS.

One Nearly Goes to Prison for the Crime of the Other.

But He Will Have a Chance to Work for the State on His Own Account.

When Ah Jim was arraigned in Judge Catlin's court yesterday for breaking into the blacksmith shop of L. H. Plate, on the Lower Stockton road, and stealing tools therefrom, he did not seem to understand the complaint which the District Attorney read to him, and an interpreter was sworn and explained it to him. Being asked to plead, he pleaded guilty. The Judge asked the interpreter if the prisoner fully understood what he was doing.

"Oh, yes," said he, "he un'tan." I "splain him—I tell him if he do it he plead guilty; if he no do it he plead not guilty."

A spectator hazarded the opinion that if all the lawyers would give such advice to their clients the country would be saved the expense of many tedious trials, even if the lawyers did not grow rich quite so fast.

Judge Catlin then asked the prisoner if he was ready for sentence, and if so he would pronounce it to-morrow. The prisoner said something to the interpreter, who said: "He say he rather have sentence right away now."

"Yes," said the guides Ah Jim, who had needed an interpreter, "me like it right now—me waive time."

It may easily be inferred from the remark that he had not used the forms of a criminal court as he had been supposed.

But on the heels of this came a queer denouement. It had been named that the prisoner did not seem to understand the complaint when it was read, but yesterday he had merely thought it a piece of ordinary Chinese cunning. The reason was explained, however, when Judge Catlin asked if the prisoner stole the tools, as well as the other blacksmith's tools.

"No," replied he, "me take five sacks lice."

There was a pause, and then the situation burst upon the understanding of the court and lawyers, and a general and audible smile went round the courtroom. The Deputy Sheriff had, it seems brought up the wrong Chinaman, who had a narrow escape from being sent to the State prison for a burglary committed in the lower Stockton road while he was cooling his heels in jail for being concerned in the theft of some rice and tea from the store of Perkins & Son at Perkins' station.

The explanation was then made that there was two Ah Jims—one concerned in each case—and they got mixed in the jail. District Attorney Ryan explained to the court the matter, and the honor of a personal acquaintance with either of them and therefore had not noticed anything wrong when the Ah Jim present was arraigned. However, he asked the court to defer sentence till to-day and said he would endeavor, by perceptive inspection, to ascertain the distinctive characteristics of the two Dromios and report the result of his investigation to the court this morning.

IMPORTANT FIGURES.

Sacramento's Postoffice Receipts Increase \$7,000 the Past Year.

There is no surer indication of the growth of a community than a steady increase in the business of its postoffice. And if Sacramento were such a "good place to get away from," as some of her traditons so recklessly declare, it is not likely the receipts of her postoffice would have increased nearly \$7,000 the past year.

The following figures, obtained from Postmaster J. O. Coleman, showing the receipts of the office for the last four years, are a sufficient refutation of the slander so often repeated these days—that Sacramento is at a standstill, or is going down the grade:

Year ending March 31, 1890.....\$53,278 98  
Year ending March 31, 1891..... 52,921 14  
Year ending March 31, 1892..... 59,777 46  
Year ending March 31, 1893..... 60,823 96

These figures, which are exclusive of the money order business of the office, show a remarkable yearly increase in each of the last four years, and an \$7 increase of enough to pay for the \$7 increase in the salaries of the Postmaster and deputy, but the past year exceeded that point by upward of \$6,800.

MUST BE RECORDED.

The Filing of Candidates' Statements Alone Is Not Sufficient.

County Clerk Hamilton is so bashfully constituted that he does not employ a pretty typewriter in his office, but sometimes "runs der masheen" himself. Yesterday he was struggling with its mysteries and intricacies, and when asked why he was so much exercised he replied:

"Well, I'll tell you. The law requires the candidates not only to file in the Clerk's office a statement of their election expenses, but also to have them recorded properly. Now, there were a great many candidates in the election, and their statements in my office all right, but only three of them have had them recorded, and I have the pleasant job of writing to each of them a gentle reminder of the fact. The law is very stringent on the subject, and I should hate to have any of them fined for non-compliance therewith. It is getting rather tiresome, however, to write so many letters, and I think I'll take a rest and let some of them take their chances. They had better hurry up, though."

HAD ANOTHER CALL.

Rev. J. B. Silcox About to Remove from Oakland to Montreal.

Rev. J. B. Silcox has resigned the pastorate of the Pilgrim Congregational Church in East Oakland, and will accept a call to the Emmanuel Church of Montreal. Since the return of Mr. Silcox to Pilgrim Church the congregation had been dwelling in perfect harmony, but

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