

THE POST OFFICE.

It will be Located on Fort Street.

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING.

Inspector Threlkeld's Selection of a Site Almost Unanimously Approved.

The meeting of citizens to discuss the new postoffice site at the Board of Trade last evening was attended by a large number of the most influential business men of the city of Los Angeles.

Some were strongly in favor of letting the office remain where it now stands, while others thought the change to the proposed site on Fort street would be more beneficial to the city than any other place could possibly be.

The gentlemen who favored the Fort street site did so on the grounds that the city was rapidly growing in that direction, and that in a few years at the farthest it would be in the heart of the business center.

At 7:45 o'clock Mr. E. Germain, President of the Board of Trade, called the meeting to order and stated that it would be strictly a meeting of the members of the Board of Trade, and that no one else should take part.

Mr. A. M. Lawrence, the Secretary, then read the following call:

TO THE HON. E. GERMAIN, PRESIDENT, A. BOARD OF TRADE: DEAR SIR:—We are credibly informed that the postoffice is to be removed to Fort street, between sixth and seventh, or in that immediate vicinity.

After this call was finished, a communication from the Secretary of the East Los Angeles Board of Trade was read, it was:

DEAR SIR:—At a meeting of the East Los Angeles Board of Trade, held this evening, it was unanimously resolved that the object of the removal of the Postoffice from the business portion of the city, or from its present location, be to have a committee appointed, consisting of President R. A. Ling, Secretary E. A. Wood, Treasurer David C. Jones, and Messrs. Dr. J. S. Griffin and Dr. R. W. Morris of the Board to meet with your Board on Monday evening, the 6th instant, and co-operate with you in endeavoring to prevent the removal of the Postoffice.

Very respectfully yours, EDWARD A. WOOD, Secretary.

After Mr. Lawrence finished the reading of the letter, Mr. R. A. Ling, President of the East Los Angeles Board of Trade, arose and said substantially the following:

"Mr. President—I, as President of the East Los Angeles Board of Trade, desire to speak a few words to your honorable Board, and I will make them very short. Being informed that the postoffice was to be removed to a site upon Fort street, our Board of Trade met and appointed a committee to confer with your meeting to-night upon the subject. We ask as a favor to be allowed to discuss the subject and assure you that if our request be granted, any member of your Board who may wish to talk upon any subject at a meeting of ours, will have his request most cordially granted."

As soon as Mr. Ling took his seat Judge Gottschalk addressed the meeting saying:

"Mr. President—I don't think it is fair to allow one outsider to have a word to say about the proposed postoffice change and not all. If the gentlemen from East Los Angeles are to have a word to say about the matter, I think the citizens of this city should also have a chance. It is not fair to let one talk and close the mouth of the other. I desire only the fair thing. Either declare this meeting a public one, or else declare it a meeting for the members of the Board of Trade only. I prefer the former."

Mr. John F. Humphreys here said: "I agree with Judge Gottschalk. I think if the meeting is to be for the members only, let it be strictly so, or if any one else is to be admitted to debate, do not let them vote."

As soon as Mr. Humphreys finished, General John R. Matthews arose and said:

"Mr. President: According to the call, this meeting was to be strictly for the members of the Board of Trade, and I do not think anyone else should be consulted. We are here to discuss the question of the Postoffice, and I think we can do so without consulting outsiders. I say most emphatically, do not permit any outsider to enter the debate."

General Matthews was listened to most attentively, and when he finished he was greeted with a round of applause. The motion of being put to a vote was found that no one but members would be permitted to speak.

As soon as the decision was rendered Mr. R. A. Ling, President of the East Los Angeles Board of Trade and his companions, who occupied seats next to the chair, immediately rose and left the room. When the room became quiet again, Mr. Lawrence opened an envelope, which lay before him, and took out the following letter from Postoffice Inspector E. K. Threlkeld and read it to the audience.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 5, 1888. Col. A. M. Lawrence, Secretary: DEAR SIR: I see the members of the Board of Trade are called to meet on to-morrow evening, the 6th, to consider the subject of the removal of the Postoffice from its present site. Permit me to say that the abuse heaped upon the Postoffice Inspector, to whom the matter was referred by the Postoffice Department, is unjust, and intended only by those who do not know what they are talking about. Inspectors do not make up opinions on cases referred to them; the Postmaster General makes up the opinion. The Inspectors only give the facts.

It is well known to all who know anything of the growth and business of Los Angeles, and the immense amount of postal business thrown upon the office here, that the present quarters have become inadequate to accommodate the increasing business, and other and larger premises had to be secured. The Department realized these facts, and sent instructions to the Inspector in charge of the Division to have some of the inspectors and to his charge to proceed to Los Angeles and select for proposals of larger premises. Accordingly, Inspector J. W. Erwin and myself were directed to go to Los Angeles, and to pick all the eligible premises for the office.

At the close of Thursday, the 12th, we had received only two bids or proposals. The time was extended to Monday following, and at the close of Monday we had received four proposals only. They were as follows: St. Vincent's College property, \$6000 per year; corner Ninth and Los Angeles streets, \$5000 per year; corner Ninth and Main streets, \$1 per year; Fort street, between sixth and seventh streets, \$200 per year.

Before all these were received, Inspector Erwin left for San Francisco and I received the proposals, and reported to the Department that the proposal on Fort street was nearest the business center of any of the proposals, (we had no alternative but to select from the sites offered) and forwarded a map of the city with the report.

I think every member of your board will agree with me that the site selected by the department is the best offering; and that they have selected it in preference to any of the others.

The inspectors had no authority to say anything about the rental, nor did they have the means or disposal to coerce any body to make proposals. All they could do was to report the proposals as they received them; such proposals as they received with me the question of rent did not enter into my mind, for I had nothing to do with it; therefore the idea that the government wanted the premises "rent free" was without authority from the Inspector or any other officer. I believe that all will agree with me that the site selected is a good one, and near the geographic center, and will ere long, if Los Angeles continues to grow, be not far from the business center. I individually wanted the site at the corner of All- and Los Angeles streets, and Mr. Wirsching, at my solicitation, endeavored to get the owner, (Mr. Longstreet, I believe), to send in a proposal, but for reasons best known to himself he did not do so. The location is fixed and the postoffice will be removed as soon as Mr. Dol can erect a suitable building, and the "kicking" now going on by a few property owners in the vicinity of the present postoffice site will do no good.

If they wanted the postoffice to remain in the neighborhood of where it is now, why did they not show their faith by their works, and, like Mr. Wirsching, make the proper efforts.

The foregoing is an outline of the facts, and I am individually responsible for the rest, if, by saying to the department that the site selected is the best, I was of the four, the next one to be the center of business at present, and probably all things considered, the proper one of the four proposals to accept. Respectfully, E. K. THRELKELD, Postoffice Inspector.

As soon as Mr. Lawrence finished every man in the room commenced applauding, and it was quite evident what the result of the meeting would be.

Gen. John R. Matthews jumped to his feet and made a motion that the site as selected by the Postoffice Inspector, be unanimously approved. Before the motion was seconded, however, Mr. Humphreys said: "Gentlemen, we are moving, (laughter) and I am glad to see that Los Angeles is wide awake and going ahead. Twenty-five years ago, in St. Louis, where I lived forty years, most postoffice boxes were in use than there are today, and the number is gradually decreasing. Postoffice boxes are on the wane, and it is natural. The business men are learning every day that it is just as safe and quick to sit in their offices and have their mail delivered by carrier as it is to have a box; and it won't make much difference where a Postoffice is situated, when we have plenty of carriers. With this view of the matter, I most unqualifiedly second General Matthews' motion and endorse the Post Office Inspector's selection. The motion was then put and carried with only one objection. The man who made the objection then called for a vote by roll-call. The chair then asked those in favor to raise their hands—nearly every hand in the house went up, and when those who objected to the change were called upon only three hands went up. Judge Gottschalk then moved that a form of resolution, showing the approval of the site by the meeting be drawn up and sent to the department at Washington. Mr. Henry Bartning offered as an amendment that the secretary draw the resolutions and send them as directed. The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned.

receiving proposals for premises for the Los Angeles postoffice, and that we would receive proposals from that date (about January 5) until Thursday, January 12th, inclusive.

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AMUSEMENTS. Mr. Carleton's Return to the Grand Opera House. The return of Mr. W. T. Carleton and his excellent company to the Grand, with the production of Strauss' Merry War, drew out an immense house of the most brilliant playgoers in the city. The lively airs of this popular opera were well rendered by those in the exigent roles. Mr. Carleton was at his best, and in addition to the usual score sang a very sweet romanza written specially for this opera, but omitted on many occasions, notably by Mr. Carleton on the visit here a few weeks ago.

Mr. Taylor was in good voice and sang with spirit. The tenor has very charming music set down for him in this score, and Mr. Taylor's rendering of it was excellent. Miss Alice Vincent was received with deafening applause on her first entrance. It was her first appearance here in many months. Her queenly presence and successful poses and movements drew immense applause. A cast which embraces Miss Baudet, Miss Vincent and Miss Wisdom, is indeed a vision of fair women. Miss Rice is more enthusiastically received by Los Angeles playgoers with each visit she makes here. She received no less than three recalls in some of the delicious bits of acting she did last night. Mr. Murray's voice is little heard in the Merry War; but every note he sang in the ensemble sang, sweet and clear over all others.

For to-night the beautiful and ever-popular *Ermine*. Hazard's Pavilion. A. R. Wilber's Comedy Company, opened a four weeks' engagement in the Pavilion last night in the sensational comedy-melo-drama of *Stricken Blind*. The mammoth building was literally packed to the doors, every seat and every available space of standing room being occupied. The jam was so great at the box-office that hundreds went away, being unable to gain admission. The crowd inside of the building was estimated to be four thousand people. The plot of *Stricken Blind* reveals the hand of a careful and skilled playwright. There is good ground for a plot and it was clearly marked out. The play was excellently mounted, careful attention was given to every stage detail, and the production was greatly enhanced by the good scenery. Miss Julia Arthur essayed the leading role, and proved herself to be a very clever actress, being especially strong in the emotional scenes. John D. O'Hara undoubtedly was the favorite with the audience for his natural and exceedingly funny delineation of Solomon Isaacs the unscrupulous Jew. Frank Peters as Gilbert Millard and J. C. Huffman as Matthew Thornton, demonstrated that they were careful and painstaking actors. The rest of the cast was very acceptable and showed the company to be a strong and evenly-balanced organization. A very pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment was the singing and dancing of *Little Edith*, the

exceedingly low prices of admission charged establishes the company at once as favorites, and conclusively proves that a good company, with catchy plays well mounted and costumed, can make money and charge only ten, twenty and thirty cents admission. A different play will be given each evening. For to-night the bill is the *Planner's Wife*, a powerful comedy drama illustrating Southern life.

THE MAYOR'S CLERK.

H. W. Patton Resigns and Mr. E. F. Kubel is Appointed.

Mayor Workman yesterday announced to the City Council that H. W. Patton, the newly-appointed United States Land Register, had resigned his position as Mayor's Clerk, and that he had appointed Edward F. Kubel to take the place made vacant by Mr. Patton's resignation. On motion of Mr. Hanley, seconded by Mr. Reed, the appointment was unanimously confirmed, and Mr. Kubel was officially installed into his new office. Mr. Kubel has for some time past been the correspondent of the San Francisco Examiner, and has made many friends in this city during his residence here. His appointment gives satisfaction in all quarters, for he is a man who attends to his business and is bright and capable. Mr. Patton went to the United States Land Office yesterday to gain an insight into the duties of the responsible position to which he has been appointed by President Cleveland. His commission will not arrive for some days yet, and by that time Mr. Patton will be able to do credit to the office as well as himself.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

No Selection Made as yet for Health Officer.

The Board of Health met at the Mayor's office yesterday noon and voted on the names of the physicians proposed for Health Officer. The vote stood, Dr. Reese, 2; Dr. Ome, 1, and Dr. Cohn, 2. It was then decided to report to the City Council that the Board of Health could not agree on a name to be confirmed as Health Officer. It was also decided to call up in the Council the former recommendation of the Board of Health. The Board then adjourned to meet again Friday before the Council convened.

A Magnificent Structure.

Charles Bauer, our popular and well known and respected citizen, believes in the future of Los Angeles. He has just completed a splendid three-story house on the corner of Temple and Beatty streets. The house has been extravagantly furnished by Mr. Bauer, regardless of cost, and it is one of our finest private houses in the city. The dwelling contains 28 spacious rooms, which are all very airy and sunny. Each floor has a gentlemen's and ladies' toilet closet and a bath room, which have been equipped with all the modern improvements. The furniture and bedding is entirely new and of the best material. Strangers in our city who are seeking home-like quarters will do well to call and inspect this house, which is indeed a valuable acquisition to Los Angeles. The house is on the line of the Temple street cable road and is only three minutes ride from Spring street. All the rooms are equipped with the latest conveniences, including electric bells, etc.

100 Limited.

It being impossible to get a sufficient number of coaches to accommodate all who are anxious to visit the City of Monrovia by "Tally Ho" coaches, the managers have secured a special car on the 8:05 A. M. San Diego express on Friday, February 10, 1888, and can accommodate 100 passengers on that day, who can secure passage at 114 W. 1st street, Los Angeles, at the nominal sum of 50c, including dinner at the Grand View Hotel, Monrovia. An exceedingly enjoyable day is insured to all.

The Santa Monica and Mill Company filed articles of incorporation yesterday with the following directors: Williamson D. Sawyer, Edwin J. Sawyer, Warren Leavitt, William S. Sawyer, Kennedy B. Summerfield. The capital stock is \$50,000.

The new addition to the Hotel Oxford is now complete, 50 new and handsomely furnished rooms, and is now open to the public.

Moved my dental office to 36 South Main street, over Meyberg's Crystal Palace Store.

R. G. CUNNINGHAM, Dentist.

Found.

That A. W. Barrett & Co., 6 Court street, will sell lots at Alamitos Bay Monday for \$300—that will be worth \$1000 in 30 days.

Nothing Like Success.

The lots selling at Carmentis show whether the boom is begun. \$100 a lot, one-half cash, balance monthly. Twenty acres given away, and a depot at your door. What can beat this? 54 S. Main street.

Burns' Anniversary.

Grand annual celebration by the Calcestron Club in Armory Hall on Friday, February 17th.

LOTS for \$200

IN THE Francesca Tract!

Frosting on Aliso avenue, and Francesca street, Boyle Heights street, containing within one block WATER PIPED TO EVERY LOT. TERMS—One-fourth cash, balance in monthly payments, or to suit purchasers.

Cheapest Homes in the City!

DON'T PAY RENT, GET A HOME.

We have one, two, three and four-room houses at \$225, \$400 \$500 and upwards. All new, neat and comfortable. Close to street cars.

WATER PIPED. TERMS EASY. We furnish certificate of title with every sale. If you are looking for a cheap home, see this property.

JOHN P. P. PECK, No. 58, Main St. Jan 12-1m

VALENTINES!

OLMSTED & WALES, 218 SOUTH MAIN STREET, Between Third and Fourth. Feb 7

THE MONARCHS HAVE RETURNED.

WIZARD OIL CONCERT. OPEN AIR! FREE TO ALL! Los Angeles Second and Los Angeles streets.

REAL ESTATE. AUCTION SALE "ARRIVED."

Tuesday, February 7, 1888, AT 1 P. M.

P. ROYAL'S FIGUEROA-ST. TRACT!

Free Carriages and Street Car Transportation Leave the Office of QUINETTE, GLASS & CO. BEN O. RHOADES, Auctioneer, No. 116 WEST FIRST ST. AT 1 P. M., Tuesday, February 7.

RAMONA! RAMONA! RAMONA! :-: RAMONA! :-: RAMONA! :-: RAMONA!

Only 3 Miles from the City! Limits of Los Angeles. Via Rapid Transit Railroad, now in course of construction, in 10 to 15 minutes from the Plaza. HOURLY OR HALF HOURLY TRAINS. The Gem of the San Gabriel Valley!

Lots all Desirable Sizes, \$250 and Upwards. Broad avenues situated west of and adjacent to ALHAMBRA, 2 1/2 miles from the RAYMOND HOTEL.

THE MOST DESIRABLE SPOT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR SUBURBAN HOMES. Mountain Water! Pure as the dew that falls from Mount Olympia's tips, deeded with every lot. NO BRASS BANDS! NO GRAND FREE LUNCH! Indeed nature has done so much for RAMONA that it is only necessary to pursue a plain method of description in presenting it to the public. The Choice of Grape, Orange, Lemon and Deciduous Fruit Growth for the eye to rest upon.

Realizing the close proximity of those lands to Los Angeles, and the necessity of choice homes for the people at lower prices than usually obtained, the proprietors, of the

San Gabriel Wine Company

HAVE COME TO THE FRONT WITH THIS SUBDIVISION. Popular Prices! Popular Payments! One-third cash, 1/2 in one year, 1/2 in two years; 8 per cent. interest on deferred payments.

Judging by past events in other and less favored localities, those who get in on the ground floor of this proposition will be fortunate indeed; so get in at once and don't blame yourself forever and ever in the days to come. Let us think just a moment. These lots are only 3 miles from city limits and splendidly located; will be within 15 minutes of the center of Los Angeles; choice water deeded to every purchaser, and in the heart of the magnificent San Gabriel Valley, noted throughout the universe for its superb quality of soil and climate. All in all, is there an opportunity to do better elsewhere? Indeed, considering all phases of the situation, is it possible to do so well? A large and beautiful lot in the center donated for school purposes. Iron and rolling stock for the Rapid Transit Road already received and on the ground. Until the cars are running carriages to Ramona daily. Remember that the trains of the Rapid Transit will be run to suit the convenience of patrons, reaching Los Angeles at 7 A. M. and leaving at 5 and 6 P. M., and even later when occasion demands.

For particulars call on W. R. BURKE, GENERAL AGENT FOR RAMONA, 55 N. SPRING ST., opp. the Court House, Los Angeles. Jan 25-1

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NOTICE.

THE LOS ANGELES CITY WATER CO. will strictly enforce the following rule: The hours for sprinkling are between 6 and 7 o'clock A. M. and 8 and 9 o'clock P. M. For violation of the above regulation the water will be shut off and a fine of two dollars will be charged unless water will be turned on.

J. J. GOSPER,

38 SOUTH BOWLING GREEN.

CITY OF PARIS. Novelties for the Holidays

NOW ON SALE! JAPANESE SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, SMOKING JACKETS, DRESSING-GOWNS FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, NECKWEAR, FANCY BOXES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION, FANS—SPECIAL IMPORTATION.

ALL ARE INVITED TO INSPECT OUR STOCK. CITY OF PARIS THE PEERLESS Dry Goods Emporium of Southern California

MILWAUKEE FURNITURE COMPANY, Corner Fourth and Main.



Bryant, Arnold & Jones. Have opened their elegant saleroom at the corner of Fourth and Main, with a full line of Furniture, Carpets, Upholstery, Etc.

Our large rooms on Main and Fourth streets are now completely stocked with the largest and finest lines of FURNITURE AND CARPETS to be found in the city. Both citizens and strangers are cordially invited to call and examine our goods. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED. Feb 10m

43,000 ACRES. Santa Ynez Valley Lands

FOR SALE IN LOTS TO SUIT, FROM 10 ACRES UPWARDS.

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY CALL THE ATTENTION of intending purchasers to the lands of the Santa Ynez Land Improvement Company, which is without doubt the best investment in California. These lands can be bought in any quantity desired and are as good for the cultivation of Olives, Prunes, Oranges, Walnuts, Almonds, Grapes, or in fact any fruits or vegetables that are grown in Southern California as any lands in Los Angeles county, and can be bought on reasonable terms and at a very small part of the price that would be asked for the same lands here, so that it offers one of the best opportunities to parties selling out here to be used. To East to purchase this is one of the best opportunities to invest in lands that are bound to be worth double the price that are now asked for these within a very few months, as both the Southern Pacific and A. & S. F. Railroads have surveyed through the entire tract, which will double the value of these lands as soon as completed past this tract. Descriptive Catalogue, Maps, Price and Terms furnished on application. Every facility will be given purchasers who would like to visit the tract before purchasing. Vehicles will be on hand to take customers over these lands and every thing done to make a visit to this section agreeable.

FOR FULL PARTICULARS INQUIRE OF SIDNEY LACEY, AGENT FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY, 106 NORTH SPRING STREET, Los Angeles Jan 20-1

THE RAYMOND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY

Division No. 2, in Front of Raymond Hotel, INCLUDING A Long Frontage on Garfield Avenue.

Street Railroad now being built and will be running from Raymond to Alhambra within a few weeks. CHEAPEST PROPERTY IN PASADENA! APPLY TO W. G. HUGHES, Sec'y, ROOM 9, LOS ANGELES NATIONAL BANK BUILDING. Feb 10m

FLORENCE :-: TERRACE!

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Lots are large, streets are wide, situation delightful. Grand view of city and surrounding country. Pure Spring Water piped to every lot. Drainage is perfect. Only 5 minutes' ride on an ELEVATED RAPID TRANSIT RAILWAY to this most natural place of all for happy homes.

This very choice piece of property has been in the market only a very brief time, but lots are selling rapidly, and buildings are being erected by the purchasers. Nearly \$50,000 worth of lots have been sold. Bankers and owners of brick blocks have invested money in these lots for profit.

This property is positively FIRST CLASS, "GILT-EDGE," UNEQUALLED. Commencing location, convenience, size and quality of lots with the low price and terms of payment we offer, we defy competition and contrast.

TERMS—\$200 to \$1200 PER LOT. One-fourth cash, balance in 6, 12 and 24 months. Call and investigate.

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