A BANNER THAT SUGGESTS FUSION

But the Facts in the Case Prove the Contrary to Be True.

Democrats and Populists Are Farther Apart Than Ever Before.

REPUBLICANS IN HARMONY

Disappointed Candidates Have Had Their Wardance and Are Now Back in Camp.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Oct. 11.

A large banner was suspended across Broadway yesterday. It was a "fusion" banner and was hung in the sky for the purpose of creating the impression that local Democrats and Populists are in harmony and are working together. Half of the banner is inscribed "Democratic County Committee" and the other half is appropriated by the Populists. The headquarters consists of a room with two windows. One is painted with the Democratic sign, the other with the Populist. The attempt to give the appearance that a combination has actually been formed is so bold that every intelligent person walking either up or down Broadway is forced to smile.

To even suggest that there has been a fusion between the two parties in this county is a calumny. In reality there is more distrust and jealousy between them than was ever known before. At the meeting at Elite Hall last Thursday, which was called a "silver" meeting, who were the vice-presidents? Not W. B. English or his brothers, nor any of the leading lights of the Democratic party. Does any one suppose for an instant that W. W. Foote and A. A. Bretz, who made some history in the Legislature, are sailing in the same boat? Or that astute men like ex-Sheriff McKillican and Frank J. Moffitt would condescend for a moment to march in the same procession as T. H. B. Roseberg and Attorney Aram?

Robert Fitzgerald and Cleve Dam wish the public to believe that they have locked arms politically with C. E. Gardner and Major Howe. The idea is absurd, but not more absurd than the deception is complete. Fusion between Sheriff White and P. E. Dalton, or Chief of Police Lloyd and M. F. Tarpey.

The old guard of the Democracy of this county has been forced by its conscience to repudiate the Chicago platform. The men who made the party and who constituted it are in it no longer. John R. Britton, ex-Mayor J. West Martin, Thomas Prather, J. C. Martin and many other powerful names are not now on the Democratic roll. They have fused, but it is with the sound-money men, and the twin banner certainly possesses no significance so far as they are concerned.

Where, then, is the fusion? It begins and ends in the banner.

Since the county convention was held and the multitude of aspirants for nominations have learned their fate, the Republican party has settled down to united, active work. For a few days after the conventions at Vallejo and Alameda there were some discontented Republicans, and if the election had been held the following day personality might have triumphed over party fealty. The interval between the conventions and the election is rapidly changing all this. Disappointed candidates have forgotten how their pride was wounded and are now working for their former rivals. Some of the men who a month ago were disturbing elements will never be heard of again, and as for the independent candidates there is not the slightest reason to believe that one will be elected. The prospects of the party on the eve of an election have never been more hopeful for six years than they are now. The stupidity of nurturing internal strife and thus jeopardizing the success of the party has been made so apparent that there is little danger of its being repeated.

The idea of Mayor Davie that the Legislature should deal with the tuberculin test business, expressed in this column last week, has borne fruit and the Council has refused to pass the ordinance over his Honor's veto. The matter will now go to the Legislature and be so handled that it will apply to all counties alike. This is certainly the only just way to legislate in this regard, as dairymen in this county are compelled, through force of circumstances, to purchase cows from other counties. Under the proposed ordinance this could not be done except by notifying the Inspector and having the animals tested as soon as they entered this county. No vender would send animals on trial, and no purchaser could afford to bring animals here on speculation. This and many similar conditions have convinced the local lawmakers that any precautionary measure must be made applicable to the whole State, so the matter will rest for a couple of months. S. W. B.

GERMAN SINGING FEST

All the Local Societies Join in a Splendid Programme at Shell Mound.

A Grand Parade Preceded the Festival. Chorus of Three Hundred Voices.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Oct. 11.

The German societies of Oakland held a grand festival at Shell Mound Park to-day. The beautiful weather attracted those to whom the name of Fatherland is dear from all the cities around the bay and the fest was a great success.

The festivities commenced with a parade from Germania Hall this morning. Like all German public events, this one was liberally supplied with fine bands and the music was of a character in keeping with the festival. The Verein Eintracht, Hermann's Sons, Oakland Turn Verein, Oakland Vorwaerts, Harmonie, Red Men and Hecker societies had charge of the affair.

The festivities commenced at 1:30 o'clock and one of the principal features was the chorus of 300 male voices from the singing section of the Verein Eintracht, Oakland Turn Verein and the Vorwaerts, under the direction of W. Kaehler and Gustav Albrecht.

Henry Dohrmann, president of the day, delivered a patriotic address.

In Aid of St. Joseph's.

OAKLAND, CAL., Oct. 11.—The fair of the Portuguese Catholic Church of Oakland will be opened to-morrow (Monday) for the benefit of St. Joseph's. It will last three weeks and the opening to-morrow will be a grand affair at the Exposition building. A magnificent programme has been arranged, with a grand concert by Miss Carr True Boardman, assisted by Miss Annie B. Collins, Miss Kate O'Neil, contralto, Miss Emma Wells, soprano, and W. C. Wilson, barytone. Rev. Gloria, pastor of the church, is using every effort to make the fair productive as well as amusing during the time. There will be a San Francisco night and other attractions.

BETH-JACOB'S RABBI.

Dr. Linczser Is Installed With Imposing Ceremonies.

OAKLAND, CAL., Oct. 11.—Rev. M. Linczser, D.D., was formally installed as rabbi of the Congregation Beth-Jacob this afternoon. The ceremonies were very imposing, and were attended with all the forms of the Jewish ritual prescribed for such occasions. There was a special choir and the musical programme was carefully selected and ably rendered.

The synagogue Beth-Jacob has been without a regular rabbi for some time, and the installation of Dr. Linczser marks the commencement of a new period of activity for the congregation.

Dr. M. Linczser is a Hungarian rabbi, and is well known as a Talmudist. This is his second charge in this country, and when he is settled he will send for his wife and family, who are at present living in Hungary.

Visited by Burglars.

OAKLAND, CAL., Oct. 11.—A peculiar case of robbery was reported to the police to-night in the 1600 block on Sixth street, where a man named William Smith has resided alone for some time. He owns the property and is known to have considerable money. He went to San Francisco last night and has not yet returned. To-day neighbors saw a stranger in the house, but thought nothing of it until this evening, and as Smith did not return they made an investigation.

They found the house had been broken into and that a general ransacking had taken place. An officer made a thorough search, but as it was not known just what was in the place there is no proof that anything was taken. A few days ago Smith is said to have stated that he had $1300 in cash in the house, and his neighbors expect when he returns to learn that this has gone.

ALEX LAIDLAW'S DEATH

Known as the Only Judge Who Ever Fined Himself in Open Court.

He Was the Man Who Surveyed the California and Nevada Narrow-Gauge Road

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Oct. 11.

Alexander Laidlaw died at a private sanitarium in San Francisco to-day, and his remains were brought over to Oakland for interment. Ex-Judge Laidlaw contracted a severe cold a few weeks ago, but he was not thought to be seriously ill till a few days ago. The news of his death was a great surprise to his friends here.

ALEXANDER LAIDLAW, Who Was Equally Proficient as a Lawyer and an Engineer.

Alex Laidlaw figured prominently in Republican politics in this county till four years ago, when he removed to San Francisco. He was born in Milwaukee forty-two years ago, and after coming to this coast he qualified himself both as a lawyer and a civil engineer.

Ten years ago he was elected Police Judge of Oakland on the Republican ticket and served a term. He became famous as the only Judge in the State who ever fined himself. On one occasion Judge Laidlaw did not consider his behavior was consistent with his office so he ascended the bench and fined himself $25. The record is on the minute books of the Police Court.

He was elected for a second term over Judge Henshaw, now Supreme Justice, but the Supreme Court sustained the election of Henshaw.

When the California and Nevada Railroad was planned and Vanderbilt was going to invest on the coast Alex Laidlaw surveyed the route and proved that he was a capable engineer. He was also employed for a time in the Surveyor-General's office.

The deceased was a member of the Masonic order and also of the I. O. O. F.

At the Churches.

ALAMEDA, CAL., Oct. 11.—The First Presbyterian congregation listened to a very interesting address to-night, given by Mrs. de Silva, a native of China. She related many incidents of the beneficial influence of Christianity to her people in their homes and every-day life.

At Christ's Chapel J. W. Webb, State president of the Good Templars, told of the needs of his work and some of the results.

The Rev. J. Romeil, chaplain of the Mariners' Church of San Francisco, spoke to-night at the First Congregational Church. He gave the results of his work with the seamen.

Hon. S. W. Furguson, assisted by Mrs. J. D. Janison, conducted the Bible class in the Park-street M. E. Church during the afternoon.

The freshmen at the university are discussing the problem which confronts nearly every first-year class, and that is where shall they hold their glee—in San Francisco or in Berkeley?

The speakers for the West Berkeley meeting of the People's Party Club next Tuesday evening will be Dr. Carrie Young, Colonel J. L. Lyon and Colonel Greenleaf.

Women prompters have been tried at Covent Garden Theater with success, as it has been found that their voices carry better across the stage and are less audible in the auditorium.

CHEERED THEIR COUNTRY'S FLAG

League of the Cross Cadets Muster From Three Cities.

Company A of Oakland Unfolds Its Colors at St. Francis de Sales.

ADDRESS BY FATHER YORKE.

Refers to the Supply of Sectarian Periodicals to the Free Library.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Oct. 11.

When the sun shone for the first time upon the rich colors of the beautiful American standard as it burst at the masthead over St. Francis de Sales this afternoon, a shout went up from full 10,000 throats.

The League of the Cross rally and flag-raising of Company A of Oakland was somewhat in the nature of a surprise. The local people were not prepared to see such an outpouring of cadets from across the bay, and as they marched up Broadway they made an admirable showing.

The first part of the ceremonies consisted of an indoor entertainment in the large hall.

The room had been tastefully decorated, with red, white and blue bunting, while draped about the platform were large American flags. It was occupied by Revs. Yorke, McSweeney, Cull, Butler, Crammell, O'Ryan, Scanlon, Hon. R. M. Fitzgerald, T. F. Garritty, Messrs. J. J. Powers, M. Pomer, F. P. Summers and F. Wyms, D. J. Mahoney and President of the day P. N. Hanrahan.

The programme was opened with the chorus, "Veni Creator." D. J. Mahoney gave a very interesting account of the aims and objects of the league, in which he said it knew no sect or creed, but was working for the uplifting of mankind, held down by the demon drink. After this there were several entertaining numbers, which finished the opening exercises.

The First Regiment, League of the Cross Cadets, from San Francisco, arrived by the Creek route and marched up Broadway at 2 o'clock. The boys were taken into the armory, where a lunch was served.

The companies of the regiment turned out as follows:

St. Mary's Parish—Company A, Captain Frank S. Drady, Lieutenant William Hopper, Lieutenant Robert Drady, seventy-five men.

St. Charles' Parish—Company B, Captain J. T. Curley, Lieutenant Ed Calden, Lieutenant Fred Hooper, twenty men.

Sacred Heart Parish—Company D, Captain James McBride, Lieutenant I. D. Dwyer, Lieutenant Harry McGurren, fifty-three men.

St. James' Parish—Company E, Captain Daniel McCarthy, Lieutenant E. A. Crowley, Lieutenant B. Maloon, forty men.

St. Brigid's Parish—Company G, Captain E. J. Powers, Lieutenant William D. Madden, forty men.

St. Brendan's Parish—Company H, Captain J. Power, Lieutenant Lewis Healy, Lieutenant J. Regan, fifty men.

St. Peter's Parish—Company I, Captain P. Haggerty, Lieutenant C. Skelly, Lieutenant H. Power, forty-five men.

St. Paul's Parish—Company K, Captain J. H. Reilly, Lieutenant P. Casey, Lieutenant J. O'Neill, fifty-five men.

Mission Dolores' Parish—Company L, Captain William Clark, Lieutenant J. Carr, Lieutenant N. S. Denver, thirty men.

St. Francis' Parish—Company M, Captain T. Dinen, Lieutenant P. Quirk, Lieutenant E. O'Neill.

The regiment stood in battalion formation in front of the school building during the ceremonies.

The exercises began with the "Star-Spangled Banner," the first note of which was the signal for "Old Glory" to be unfurled to the breeze from the flagstaff on the school building. As it was unfurled a shout went up from the great throng.

President of the Day P. N. Hanrahan gave a welcome to the audience, and introduced Peter C. Yorke of San Francisco, who spoke as follows:

We are gathered here this afternoon for the patriotic ceremony of raising the American flag over our school. The Catholics of this country have not been behind those of any sect or creed in support of the system of public schools of this country. We pay our taxes because we believe in keeping religion out of them, whether it be Catholic or Protestant. We pay our money for our own schools so as to be able to teach the youth religious principles.

The raising of the American flag over a Catholic school is no new thing. The red stripes represent the blood of Catholics as well as those of others. The white stripes and stars reflect the patriotic deeds of Catholics as well as those of Protestants. It is a good thing for the city of Oakland and Alameda County in this year 1896 to turn attention to the meaning of this flag. It is a flag of color and not of darkness. It is not a flag of dark deeds or dark-lantern societies. It is not afraid of the light.

There is a free library in this city supported by the taxes of Catholics and Protestants. The management has refused to allow two papers to be in it because they let in light on a society composed of moles, bats and night owls. The librarian, named Peterson, says they barred the papers because some one wanted to have the American Patriot, now known as the American Standard. When he says the Monitor and Star were barred because of the desire of some one to introduce the A. P. A. Standard he tells something that is not the truth, and he knows it.

I hold here the documentary evidence to show that the library had subscribed and paid for the American Standard. The payment runs to the month of June, 1895, and the paper has never been ordered stopped; and when the librarian says the Monitor and Star were stopped so as not to introduce the Standard he does not tell the truth. The American Patriot is the paper which insulted the Catholic women and maligned the sisters in our convents. It is meet and just to fling this glorious banner to the wind, so that such people may grovel in the dark and know that the flag stands not for cowardice, but for liberty.

Hon. R. M. Fitzgerald was the second speaker. He said:

It has been stated that we meet here for a double purpose, to raise the stars and stripes, the flag of our country, and to give our approbation to the motto on another banner—"Temperance." Patriotism is a love of home and country. Our country's flag stands for freedom and religious liberty, and patriotism is what causes us to pledge fealty and life if necessary to save it.

Thomas F. Garrity, the last speaker, said in part:

The object nearest and dearest to the hearts of the American people is the betterment of mankind. You are the architects of your own future and you are building the temple well. Youth has hope, energy and enterprise and he must keep his enterprise and energy up if he will maintain hope and realize his ambitions. Never give up when circumstances are against you.

A dress parade and review by the League of the Cross Cadets followed, after which, without breaking ranks, they marched to the creek boat and embarked for San Francisco. The affair was in charge of a committee consisting of Father T. McSweeney, J. J. Power, M. R. Bronner and F. P. Summers.

DR. PAYNE ON SUFFRAGE

Berkeley's Unitarian Pastor Takes Up the Subject for Discourse.

Giving a Series of Three Sunday Morning Lectures—Berkeley News Items.

BERKELEY, CAL., Oct. 11.—Rev. E. B. Payne, pastor of the Unitarian Society of Berkeley, has taken up the cause of woman suffrage and is giving a course of three Sunday-morning lectures on the subject.

The first of the three was given this morning. His general topic was, "Relation of Woman to the Life and Work of the World."

The remarks of Dr. Payne this morning were confined to woman in her domestic sphere. Next Sunday he will speak on woman in her relation to the larger life and work of the world, and on the Sunday following he will consider the more special subject of her part in public affairs.

Dr. Payne's announcement that he would speak on the subject this morning brought out an unusually large audience. He said:

The prime word for woman, as also for man, is the Scripture saying, "The word is nigh thee." Listening woman has always heard the words household and home. She always will hear them and obey them. I am glad to say this, because there are so many who think that after November 3 there will be a complete overturn of domestic order in the households of California. And this is what Miss Anthony and her coadjutors are working for. Therefore, to steady the disturbed nerves of men, I say that women have always heard these two words, have obeyed them and always will. For they have heard them for their own hearts.

But why have women undertaken the household care and toil? Because they heard that other word, home, which means far more. This, rather than the mere delight in the work of the housewife, makes them faithful to the common task.

But they realize that the perfect home cannot be secured by an outer and slavish devotion to the details of household toil. This for many women is the reason why they seek for an expansion of their lives and work, that they may better serve the home.

Want Them Expelled.

BERKELEY, CAL., Oct. 11.—There promises to be a lively time to-morrow afternoon at the meeting of the associated students which President Elston will call, when the matter of expelling from their body the Democrats who sent resolutions condemning the recent action of the Yale students toward Bryan comes up for discussion. The Republicans at the university are angry with the Bryan men for sending out such resolutions as coming from a part of the student body, and their dragging the University into politics. The same old question of whether a man can be a university student and a citizen at the same time will be brought up.

Thus far during the present campaign the students have taken quite a prominent part in politics, especially the representatives of the Students' Republican Club. President Oliver of this club was, last week, accused of speaking in public as a representative of the university, and not as a mere private citizen, but this accusation proves to have been groundless. Now, the Democrats have, in a set of resolutions, expressed their attitude toward the Yale students, and forwarded them to Bryan and to President Dwight of Yale. In them, the name of the university is used, and it is this point which the students will discuss to-morrow.

Expulsion from the associated students seems hardly probable, but the students expect to settle once for all the propriety and policy of connecting the university with their political movements.

Berkeley Miscellanies.

BERKELEY, CAL., Oct. 11.—The Republican County Central Committee has arranged to have Hon. Louis Titus speak at West Berkeley to-morrow evening, in East Berkeley Tuesday evening and in Lorin Thursday evening.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has chosen the following delegates to the State convention, which will meet at Petaluma to-morrow: Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Milsap; alternates—Dr. Carrie Young, Mrs. Embury.

Professor Charles Mills Gayley, head of the English department at the State University, delivered the second lecture in his course on "The Christianity of Paul" at St. Mark's this afternoon.

Big "C" emblems have been conferred on the following athletes at the university as marks of distinction: Batchelder, Hennessy, McLaren, Wheeler, Kaarsburg, Gooding, Krug, Dickie, Miller, Crafts, Cushing, Jackson, Dorn and Carroll.

THOSE HISTORIC TREES.

To Be Planted Next Monday—Superintendent McLaren's Idea.

More of the historic trees from the thirteen original States of the Union, which are to be planted in the valley in Golden Gate Park where the Forty-nine Mining Camp of the Midwinter Fair was located, have been received at the park. There is a red maple from Delaware, a birch from Rhode Island, a linden from the grave of Thomas Jefferson and a white oak from the battlefield of Saratoga, and the others are expected within the next three or four days. These trees will be planted with appropriate patriotic ceremonies next Monday under the auspices of Sequoia Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, of which chapter many of the most prominent ladies of San Francisco are members.

They are to be laid out in the shape of an arch, with the tree from Pennsylvania to represent the keystone, and six placed equidistant on each side of it. The stakes showing where they will be located have been driven by order of Superintendent McLaren. On the outside of this arch there will be planted a hedge and outside of these a twelve-foot wide walk will be laid out.

The superintendent has an idea that the spot would be made still more attractive by planting within the arch thirty-two additional trees, one from each State admitted into the Union, with a giant sequoia to represent California. "And," said the superintendent yesterday, "there is a possibility that this will be carried into effect."

REPEATED AFTER THIRTY YEARS

First Sermon Delivered in United Presbyterian Church.

Three Decades, and Rev. M. M. Gibson Still Watches Over His Flock.

BUILDING UP A CHURCH.

His Congregation Will Be Joined by Others in Celebrating the Grand Jubilee.

Thirty years ago Rev. M. M. Gibson of the United Presbyterian Church assumed the pastorate of that place of worship in this City.

He reached here on the second Sunday, the 14th of October, 1866, on the old steamer Constitution via Panama, when the church was only a mission, which had been organized in January of that year. He was sent here by the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg to take charge of the mission, and he has been here ever since without interruption, building up the congregation from a handful of worshipers to the powerful organization it is to-day.

Rev. M. M. Gibson, D.D.

In honor of the thirtieth anniversary of Mr. Gibson's pastorate there is to be a jubilee celebration lasting one week, beginning next Tuesday night at the beautiful church at the corner of Golden Gate avenue and Polk street. On that evening there will be a Christian Endeavor meeting, at which Rev. Dr. Rader of the Third Congregational Church and Dr. Dille of the Central Methodist Church will speak; also Rolla V. Watt and J. S. Webster will be heard.

On Wednesday evening there will be a thanksgiving offering dinner from 6 to 8 o'clock, given by the ladies of the congregation. Then there will be some after-dinner speeches by the pastors of the City, including Rev. Drs. Case and Mackenzie.

On Thursday night there will be a grand vocal and instrumental concert.

On Friday evening there will be a performance by the children of the three Sabbath-schools attached to the church.

Last night Rev. Dr. Gibson, after thirty years, delivered the same sermon he spoke from the crude pulpit on the evening he assumed charge of the United Presbyterian Mission.

The text of Rev. Mr. Gibson's first sermon was from the Book of the Acts, x:29. "I ask, therefore, for what intent ye have sent for me?"

The theme was first taken up negatively, the preacher saying:

"It was not merely to tickle the ear and please the fancy with rethoric and flight of oratory, neither was it that I might place myself on exhibition in the pulpit every Sabbath morning.

"On the other hand," stated Mr. Gibson, "I believe you sent for me to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ; to expound the Scriptures of the word of God so far as it is given me ability to so do; to warn you against error in practice as well as theory.

"While we are anxious to maintain correct principles, it is necessary to know how to carry them out, and this is what you have wanted me for.

"You want me to comfort you in time of sorrow, which comes to all in life, as well as in time of sickness; also to set a proper example to those under my care in church life.

"On the other hand there are corresponding duties involved upon you who have invited me to come.

"If you sent for me to preach the word of life it is your duty to attend this preaching with diligence and consistency in the house of God. It is the duty of those who hear to meditate on the truths proclaimed in order to practice what is heard. If you do not meditate upon what you hear I do not care how often you attend, for what you hear must reach the wheels of existence through meditation.

"It is expected that your pastor will receive the hearty co-operation of his flock, for two cannot walk together unless they be agreed.

"It is the duty of a people who wait on a pastor to pray for him, as the apostles begged of the Christians to pray for them."

REALTY MARKET REVIEW.

Only Few Transactions of Any Importance Effected Last Week.

THE OUTLOOK IS PROMISING.

Miscellaneous News Items Which Were Gathered From Many Quarters.

The real estate situation has not changed materially during the past week. Hope is the salient feature in all quarters and dealers seem to have confidence that all sanguine expectations will be fully realized within reasonable time. Good judgment is being exercised by buyers, and offerings are being canvassed with critical eye. While there is no very marked enthusiasm perceptible in realty circles, there is a feelling of satisfaction and content very evident among those who happen to be possessed of more or less city property. There appears to be tacit admission that all downward tendency has been checked and that a revival of activity of any consequence must necessarily impart a stronger tone to values.

LOANS BEING MADE.

Magee's real estate circular for the month has the following to say regarding the withdrawal of money from savings banks:

"The amount of money being lent on City real estate is not large, while none at all is now, nor has for a long time been lent in the country. The Hibernia Bank charges 6½ per cent on the small loans it grants; the others charge 7 when they grant any new loans, which is seldom, or renew old loans, which they invariably do, as they expire. They require the old loan to be reduced if the value of the real estate has fallen since it was made. If it were now possible to get at the facts it would be interesting to know how many hundreds of thousands of dollars in all have been lost to depositors at our savings banks by the withdrawal of their deposits. The money they drew has since in nearly every case lain idle. Never could depositors generally less afford to waste money; never in the history of our savings banks have thay wasted so much as this year, by foolish withdrawals. They will all, we think, soon appreciate their folly in this matter. To tell them now of it would be useless. Experience is the only file that will cut eye teeth, and they have been rubbed by savings bank depositors against that file very severely for the last six months."

REVIEW OF THE RECORDS.

There were 102 deeds placed on record during the week. Among those were for the southwest corner of Pacific avenue and Pierce street, 68:9x127:8¼ feet, from Joseph M. Wood to Samuel B. Welch, and the northwest corner of Sutter and Baker streets, 42:3x87:6 feet.

The number of mortgages recorded last week was sixty-five, aggregating $129,139. Among the larger loans were the following:

By Ellen and James M. Lyons and Samuel T. Sebelle to Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, $7600 for one year from October 3, 1896, at 6½ per cent on property southeast corner of Lyon and Sutter streets and south side of Broadway, 43:9 feet east of Scott street, east 43:9x87:6 feet; by J. M. and Marion N. Wilson to Phebe A. Hearst, $6500 for two years from October 2, 1896, at 6½ per cent per annum on property on east side of Octavia street, 25 feet south of Vallejo, south 25x112:6 feet; by Mary E. Heron to German Savings and Loan Society, $5000 for one year from September 25, 1896, at 7 per cent per annum on property at southwest corner of Jackson and Baker streets, west 25x100 feet; by Lydia S. Reinstein to Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, $5000 for one year from October 1, 1896, at 6½ per cent on property on north side of Eddy street, 80 feet west of Leavenworth, west 31:6x137:6 feet; by A. R. and Lizzie P. Gunnison to Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, $4500, for one year, from October 6, 1896, at 6½ per cent, on property on north side of Twenty-first street, 155 feet east of Church, east 75x114 feet; by Joseph and Emma Bamford to Thomas Leach, $3790, for three years, from October 3, 1896, at 4 per cent per annum, on property on west side of Howard street, 168 feet south of Fifteenth, south 32x245 feet; by Louisa and A. H. Harms to Lizzie R. Bush, $3600, for two years, from October 3, 1896, at 9 per cent per annum, on property on southeast corner of Twenty-fourth and Capp streets, east 59x65 feet; by Chester L. and Annie E. Hovey to Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, $3500, for one year, from October 2, 1896, at 6½ per cent, on property on north side of Broadway, 34:4½ feet west of Laguna street, west 34:4½x137:6 feet; by Albert Abrams to German Savings and Loan Society, $3500 for one year from October 6, 1896, at 7 per cent, on property on north side of Geary street, 62:6 feet east of Hyde, lot 25x87:6 feet; by Delia F. Page to German Savings and Loan Society, $3500 for one year from October 6, 1896, at 7 per cent, on property on north side of Post street, 112:6 feet east of Leavenworth, east 25x137:6 feet; by Elizabeth L. May to Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, $3500 for one year from October 1, 1896, at 6½ per cent, on property on east side of Webster street, 82:6 feet north of Pine, north 30x81:3 feet; by Abraham Levy to Home Investment Association, $3500 for six years at 7 per cent per annum, from October 3, 1896, on property on the north side of Bryant street, 131:3 feet east of Steiner, lot 25x127:6 feet.

The releases were thirty-four in number, aggregating $74,630. The largest were as follows:

From Hibernia Savings and Loan Society to D. J. Einfeldt, $8000 on property on each side of Belvedere street, 108:9 feet south of Waller, south 25x121:10½ feet; from Occidental Loan Association to P. and Anna Mulligan, $8000 on property on the southwest corner of Hayes and Devisadero streets, south 25x81:3 feet; from Albert Willford to Mary E. and James Heron, $5000 on property on the southwest corner of Jackson and Baker streets, south 25x81:3 feet; from German Savings and Loan Society to Elise S. V. and Paul Neumann, $5000 on property on north side of Bush street, 145 feet east of Octavia, east 30x120 feet; from Hibernia Savings and Loan Society to N. T. Whiting, $4500 on property on the southwest corner of Geary and Williams streets, south 62:6x28 feet.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

A new cottage is to be built by Jacob Heyman on the north line of Alvarado street, west of Douglass.

R. M. Winston has retired from the real estate firm of A. M. Speck & Co., owing to prolonged illness. The firm has added a general auction department to its business under the charge of Frank W. Butterfield.

Bovee, Toy & Sonntag report the sale of 130 acres of land in the McMahan Tract, near Winters, for $8700.

The plans prepared by Architect Shea for the new municipal building to be erected on the site of the old City Hall have been accepted by the Board of Supervisors, and advertising for sealed proposals will be opened on the 26th inst.

Baldwin & Hammond have been appointed the agents for William H. Howard, who has placed in their hands for sale a long line of very choice local realty, including improved and unimproved parcels. The property is mostly all mortgaged, and the prices asked in many instances is but little above the amount of the mortgage.

A large part of the ground floor of the building being erected by Claus Spreckels on Market street, opposite Grant avenue, will be occupied as a market. Already a number of tenants have been found for the various stalls by G. H. Umbsen & Co., the agent. The third floor will be used as a photograph gallery. The building will be ready for occupancy in about two months.

Bovee, Toy & Sonntag will place the Hatch-Armstrong nut and fruit orchard on the market in the near future. The land in question is situated about four miles from Acampo, San Joaquin County, and consists of 1015 acres of land. Surveys are now being made.

Lafayette Park will probably be improved. The land fronting Washington street is to be graded down and planted with grass. The clerk of the Board of Supervisors has been ordered to advertise for bids for the proposed work.

The Market-street Railway Company are removing their unused streetcar rails on Point Lobos avenue, from First avenue westward, which the people of the neighborhood have been complaining of recently.

Superintendent McLaren of the Golden Gate Park has offered to supply trees for the proposed work of beautifying Golden Gate avenue from Van Ness avenue westward. The Supervisors will probably co-operate with the Park Commissioners in this work.

Extensive building operations are at present in progress in the Lakeview tract, and the McCarthy Company, agents for the property, report that several others of greater or less pretentions are mapped out for the coming season.

It is yet uncertain whether or not the Pacific Union Club will purchase the Van Ness avenue and Bush street property.

The question of selling the bonds for the site is the point on which the matter hinges. While many of those who subscribed to the $200,000 fund for a Union Square site have signified their willingness to guarantee a Van Ness avenue site, others have positively refused.

Extensive grading operations are in progress in parts of the Potrero district. Work is about complete on the grading of Mariposa street, from Mississippi to Indiana, and the grading of Indiana street, south of Twenty-second, will be finished in a few days.

The cutting through of Fifteenth street, from Bryant avenue to San Bruno road, a distance of six blocks, is another important improvement in the Potrero district that is nearing completion.

The Potrero Land and Improvemant Company have many improvements mapped out in the way of grading and otherwise which will materially advance the interests of their neighborhood, to be brought about in the near future.

The Oak-street property-owners are not satisfied with the terms on which the Market-street Railway Company proposes to remove their tracks from that thoroughfare. The railroad company propose to take up the tracks on conditions that the property-owners along the line put the street in repair. The expense entailed will be at least $15,000, and they contend that as the railway company placed the street in its present shape it should be required to restore it to its original condition. The portion of the road not now used runs from the corner of Polk and Fell streets, west on Fell street two blocks to Franklin, one block south on that street to Oak, and thence to Fillmore, a distance of nine blocks.

The Supreme Court held, in an opinion handed down last week, that the section of the Penal Code making the "obtaining of property by false and fraudulent representations" a crime, does not apply to one who obtains real property by false and fraudulent representations. A certain Cummings was arrested for having obtained two parcels of land by false pretenses, and the trial Court sustained the demurrer to the complaint on the ground that no offense was charged. The Supreme Court holds that the language of the code—"any money, goods, wares, merchandise or other property"—infers "property of that description;" and as real property is not the subject of larceny, obtaining real estate by false pretenses is no offense under the code.

REPORT OF SALES.

A. M. Speck & Co. report the following real estate sales: Southwest corner of Geary and Williams streets, lot 28x62:6 feet and improvements; N. T. Whiting to Grace Ormart; price $15,000. Northeast corner of Page and Clayton streets, lot 31:3x100 feet and improvements of six flats; Calvin Knickerbocker and wife to John McNally and wife, for $12,000. Lot and improvements 1816 O'Farrell street; from George A. Knight to August Baer, for $4500. Lot 30x120 feet and improvements, 313 Haight street; from Occidental Building and Loan Association to Mathilde H. Ducker, for $5500. Lot 25x110 feet and three flats at 344 Waller street; from Thomas D. Brown to John Scheideman; price $6500. Lot 25x74 feet and two flats, 19 and 21 Douglass street; from Frederick Ruhland to Thomas McCue and wife, for $3500. Lot 25x100 feet and cottage, 14 Patton street; T. Dunand to Timothy O'Callaghan, for $1800. Lot 20x75 and store and flat, 714 Tehama street; from James Murdock to Frank Sippil and wife, for $2250.

AT PRIVATE SALE.

The following real estate sales are reported by Baldwin & Hammond: Lot north side of Golden Gate avenue, 109:9 west of Van Ness avenue, 41:3x120, through to Elm avenue, with four two-story residences, $19,500; northeast corner of Franklin and Fulton streets, 50x60, with improvements of small value, $12,000; lot south side of Twenty-first street, 25 feet east of Chattanooga street, 25x104, $1500; lot and improvements south line of Plymouth avenue, 190 feet east of Mission, 25x100, $2000; lot and two-story residence, northwest corner Cole and Beulah, 25x100, $7500; lot south line of Fulton street, 175 feet east of Steiner, 30x137:6, $3000; northwest corner of Frederick and Stanyan streets, 25x106:3, $2350; lot north line of Frederick street, 281:3 east of Stanyan, 25x100, $1400; lot south line of Beulah street, 131:3 east of Stanyan, 25x137:6, $1250; lot west side of Ninth avenue, 150 feet north of I street, 25x120, $950; lot north line of I street, 32:6 west of Ninth avenue, 25x100, $800; lot north side of I street, 82:6 east of Tenth avenue, 50x100, $1500.

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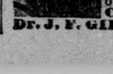

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