REAL ESTATE.

The Market Beginning to Feel the Summer Dullness.

Sales Made at Auctions During the Week. The Abbotsford Property — Market-Street Extension—Transfers.

The quietness which pervades business during the summer months has already made its influence felt in real estate circles. Usually the dealers expect a dull market during July and August, but everything is generally active up to the 1st of July. This year, however, the dullness began early. The activity which marked the month of May showed signs of declining early in June.

There have been several important auction sales of good property during the past week, but the bidding was not as spirited as it should have been, nor were the prices obtained for some property up to the average.

Building also has not dropped off as yet. Lumber has increased in price $2 per thousand on surface and 50 cents per thousand on rough lumber. The trouble with the Carpenters' Union regarding the eight-hour proposition is considered over. It has left no lasting impression upon the trade. During the continuance of the trouble of course the contractors and builders were somewhat disturbed, but it was soon settled, and things assumed their normal condition. As one contractor put it, the carpenters were very sensible in their actions in relation to the trouble, and it was owing to their politic measures that a strike which would have had disastrous effects was averted.

MARKET-STREET EXTENSION.

The action of the Board of Supervisors in deciding to open Market street from Seventeenth and Castro to the ocean will occasion a great activity in real estate in that direction. The project is one of great magnitude and will cost a great deal of money. It is fortunate that a large number of them are wealthy and well able to bear their share of the burden. Senator Stanford and Adolph Sutro both own large tracts on the line of the proposed thoroughfare. The former has offered a tract of 900 acres, including Twin Peaks, to the city which by the terms of the deed was to be created into a park for the benefit of the city.

The extension will pass through Eureka Valley, crossing Lincoln and Corbett roads, and rising by a steep grade up the side of Twin Peaks and across the valley which separates them. On the western slopes the grade is less than on the other side and descends in the valley in which the Almshouse is located. From where it passes to the ocean, crossing Lake Merced for a distance of 2000 feet. An iron bridge will be constructed across the lake. The entire length of Market street from the ferries to the ocean will be about eight miles. With the exception of the land immediately surrounding Twin Peaks all along the route can be utilized for dwellings.

Already plans are on foot to subdivide sections of land into suitable building lots, which will be placed on the market and no doubt find eager buyers.

THE ABBOTSFORD.

The regular auction sale of Easton & Eldridge was held on Tuesday last, and was well attended. The feature of the sale was the offering of what is known as the Abbotsford property on Jackson street, near Jones, and Leavenworth. It is quite a large tract—275 feet on Larkin street, 211:6 on Vallejo and 168:9 on Broadway. The hotel building contains 160 rooms. It was built about sixteen years ago at a cost of $117,500. The bidding started at $45,000 and gradually advanced to $59,000 cash, subject to a mortgage at 7 per cent. It was knocked down at this sum, but it is doubtful if the sale will be confirmed as the price is considered extremely low. Real estate agents say that the land alone is worth more than $59,000.

Other sales made were as follows:

An improved lot, 30x110 feet, on Waller street, $6950.

Two improved lots, 50x90:2¼, 3034 and 3036 California street, $5000.

An improved lot, 60x80, 127 and 129 Second street, $16,800, subject to a mortgage of $8500.

A California-street residence on the north side, near Lyon, was sold for $15,000. The lot measures 60x90:2.

An unimproved lot, 100x107:6, on the southeast corner of K street and Twenty-fifth avenue, south of the park, sold for $1350, and six lots on Twenty-ninth street, north of I, sold for $112 apiece.

A Potrero lot, 25x100, on Hampshire street, near Twentieth, was sold for $1050 cash.

A four-room cottage and lot, 24x114, on Twenty-seventh street, near Church, was sold for $1870.

Two large sales were made subject to the approval of the owners. One was a piece of property on Ellis and Haight street, east of Stanyan, $18,500, and the other was on Pacific Heights, Broadway, west of Gough, 40x120, $13,000. The proceeds of the sale were $156,000, including the conditional sales. Outside of these there was realized $54,645.

SOME GOOD PROPERTY.

In the auction-rooms of McAfee, Baldwin & Hammond on Wednesday the principal features of the sale were the disposal of the following property:

A corner lot, 27:6x92:6, on Pine and Jones streets, $10,250.

Three lots on Pine street adjoining, of the same dimensions, sold from $6000 to $7400.

On Jones street, near Pine, an improved lot, 40x110, was offered for sale, but was withdrawn as the highest bid, $10,000, was not considered enough by the owner.

A corner lot on Laguna and Vallejo streets, 40 x110, was sold for $6000.

The prices of three lots, 32:6x110, on Laguna street, adjoining the above property, were from $3850 to $3950 apiece.

On Vallejo street, near Laguna, a lot 27:6x 137:6 was sold for $2975.

On Oak street, an improved lot, 44x120, brought $10,000.

A lot on the corner of Oak and Clayton streets, 50:4x100, was sold for $7650.

On Twenty-first street, between Sanchez and Noe, six lots, 25x114, were sold at from $775 to $800 each.

On Hayes street, near Fillmore, a large, irregular-sized lot was offered, but there were no bidders. The total proceeds of the sale were $72,400.

THE LAKEVIEW TRACT.

Adolph Sutro through Carnall-Fitzhugh-Hopkins Company has completed arrangements by which 133 acres of land in the neighborhood of the Industrial School will be placed upon the market in the form of suitable building lots. In all there will be 1500 lots in the tract, and they will be placed upon the market very soon. The tract is level and will make desirable building sites. The principal frontage is on the county road leading from Winston street to Ingleside and Lake Merced. It is but five minutes' walk from any part of it to the station at the Industrial School. The ride to the city is made in a few minutes. It is expected that if this property sells well and is built up the Castro-street cable line may be extended. The Market-street extension will assist in booming this district, too, as it is contiguous to the proposed extension of San Francisco's main thoroughfare. The section has been called Lakeview.

The Carnall-Fitzhugh-Hopkins Company last week sold three lots in San Mateo fronting on the line of the railroad for $12 a front foot.

The same firm will run an excursion train to Palo Alto and University Heights at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

Santa Cruz property is beginning to figure well in the local market. It is only recently that the land in this pretty section of the State has been brought forward.

It is now announced that an auction sale at Surfside, one of the most attractive pieces of land in Santa Cruz, commanding views of Monterey Bay, and fronting on the cliff drive, is to be had during the encampment there next month of the National Guard. The day selected is Saturday, July 12th. The sale will be conducted by the Carnall-Fitzhugh-Hopkins Company. A special train will be run from this city for the occasion, and all buyers from any part of the State will have their fare paid to and from Santa Cruz.

PACIFIC HEIGHTS PROPERTY.

On last Monday Bowen, Toy & Co. attended to give the people who desired an opportunity to invest their money in land, and those who attended the sale were given a good opportunity to invest at first-rate advantage.

The sale consisted of Pacific Heights property, and two 50-vara lots were disposed of at satisfactory figures.

One was on the corner of Spruce and Clay streets and brought $9600, while the other, on the north side of Washington street, between Locust and Spruce, was sold for $9250. The firm also sold a two-story house on Ellis street, west of Buchanan, with the lot included, for $7250. A vacant corner, 33x100, on Point Lobos and Fourth avenues, was disposed of for $3400. This latter sale has not yet been approved. The result of the sale was $34,150.

On Saturday, July 5th, Messrs. McAfee, Baldwin & Hammond will sell at auction 300 lots in the Oak Grove Addition to Monterey. The property adjoins the Hotel del Monte, and on the day of the sale a special excursion will be run to the grounds.

O. E. Moore has sold, through the California Land Association, 10,140 acres of the Esmore Colony Tract in Tehama County, to an English syndicate, of which F. W. Spender is at the head. Mr. E. E. Rogers is manager. It is proposed to sell the land to English settlers, in 40-acre tracts. A water ditch and improvements will be started at once. The price paid is said to have been $150,000.

WELLS, FARGO & CO.'S BANK.

It is now considered settled that Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Bank will be moved to the building on the northeast corner of Sansome and Sutter streets. The property belongs to the Parrott estate, and will be completely overhauled and refitted. Another story will be added, making it four stories. The two large business rooms on the first floor will be the ones occupied by Wells, Fargo & Co., and the remainder of the building will be rented out as offices. The property front 98 feet on Sansome street, 53 on Sutter and 37 on Market.

The Carnall-Fitzhugh-Hopkins Co. made the following transfers on Thursday:

Lot 27x132, on the north side of California street, near Baker, $6500; lot on Ninth avenue, near J street, 50x120, $1600; lot on the north side of Clement street, near Ninth avenue, 25x 100, $1100.

Stanwald, Buckbee & Co. are still offering choice lots for sale on Pacific Heights, and the demand for property in that section is good.

There has been activity reported of late in real estate in Islais Creek, and dealers are looking forward to a continuance of the mild boom which has begun to show itself.

G. H. Umbsen & Co. report the following sales during the week:

Property on the west side of Diamond street, 99 feet south of Seventeenth, 44x125 feet, $3200.

Improved property, 1013 Capp street, 21x114 feet, $3750.

Property on the east side of Zoe, 200 feet west of Brannan, 25x75, $4500.

Property on the northwest line of Thorn street, 225 feet west of Fourth, 25x75, $2500.

One lot in the Market-street Homestead Association, $4000.

Property on Washington street, above Montgomery, 47:6x34:6, $20,000.

MERCER'S SALE.

Robert J. Mercer held an auction sale on Wednesday, and, while the attendance was good, the bidding was slow. Some prices at first offered were withdrawn. Following are some of the more important sales:

Improved corner lot, 27:6x110, 1601 Golden Gate avenue, was sold for $9250; six lots on Jackson street, near Spruce, were offered, but only two, 25x100 each, on Jackson street, were sold, for $1700 and $1725 respectively. A lot 25x80 on Howard street, between Fourth and Fifth, which was put up, was withdrawn, as $5500, the highest bid, was considered too low. A lot on Twelfth avenue, between Clement and Point Lobos avenues, 25x120, was sold for $900. An improved lot, 25x80, 752 Harrison street, realized $4500. A lot 25x114 on Elizabeth street, between Noe and Sanchez, went for $1020. Other lots in various parts of the city were sold, and realized only medium prices.

Next week O. F. von Rhein & Co. have a sale on hand. On Thursday they will offer property on Second, Sixth, Valencia and O'Farrell streets, as well as a residence, 836 Bush street, and lots near the park and in the Mission.

The Varney estate, valued at $250,000, it is reported will be sold. Contracts were signed by O'Farrell & Lang on Thursday, and the owners of buildings on the property, which is situated on the east side of Valencia street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth, have been ordered to remove them. The sale will take place within the next sixty days.

B. M. Gunn & Co. have sold the 50-vara lot on the northwest corner of Broadway and Sansome street, covered by the old cannery building of C. J. King of William & Co., to Mrs. Burling, for $50,000.

The lot on the south side of Turk street, 137:6 feet west of Taylor, 50x137:6, has been sold to an Eastern capitalist for $40,000. The improvements on the property at present consist of the synagogue of the Congregation Beth Israel.

MARKET-STREET IMPROVEMENT.

During the week the old two-story building on the gore lot at the junction of Market, Van Ness avenue and Oak street, was removed, and workmen are now engaged in excavating for the foundation walls of the five-story brick structure which will be erected on the site.

Thomas Magee has had quite a busy week in private transactions, and white figures are not now obtainable he has, it is said, made some valuable transfers.

The proposition to open a direct driveway from Van Ness avenue to the panhandle of the Park is meeting with the approval of leading citizens owning property in that direction. The bill which will provide the necessary condemnation of land and the recompense will be submitted to the next Legislature. The probable cost to the State will be $5,000,000. It will provide a roadway which will give the public a pretty driveway to the ocean.

A WEEK'S TRANSFERS.

During the past week the actual transactions in real estate as far as the local brokers are concerned have not been brisk or startling, and the most prominent among the sales recorded were as follows:

A lot on the northeast corner of Page and Octavia streets brought $8000. The size of the property was 40x55 and the consideration in the the deed of sale, for reasons best known to the parties, was placed at $10.

P. F. Butler became the possessor of a very nice piece of property on Howard street, near Fourth—60x80—and paid Edgar F. Preston the sum of $24,000 for the privilege.

A $15,000 trade was made between John Grant and F. E. Hesthal for a piece of property on Mission street, near Twenty-ninth. John Grant was the former owner, and Hesthal has now the right to be assessed for it.

The property on the southwest corner of Polk and Bush streets changed hands, and it is reported that John E. Beyers paid Martin Brunings $30,000 for the transfer. There is quite a substantial house upon the lot.

Thomas F. Sullivan became the owner of a lot on the eastside of Fillmore street, twenty-five feet south of Post, 75x91:3, for which he paid Charles Meyer $20,000. There were no improvements on the lot.

It is said that a lot on the corner of Chestnut and Octavia streets, 137:6x206:3, was sold by George Davidson to Will E. Fisher for the sum of $7000.

Lot on the west line of Valencia street, 225 feet north of Nineteenth, 25x100, was sold to P. J. Kennedy, by the attorney of D. N. Schmacker.

Lots in Pacific Heights was not overlooked during the week, as a lot on the south line of Pacific avenue, 45 feet west of Broderick street, brought the handsome sum of $14,400, which was at the rate of $320 per front foot.

Marcus Geiz secured a lot on the northeast corner of Grove and Broderick streets from A. A. Fisher, in consideration of $7500.

Following was a summary of the building contracts for the past week:

Bush street, near Lyon—One-story and basement frame; owner and builder, W. B. Warren; cost, $2200.

Bryant street, near second—Changes made in contract on Tobin's row of stores and dwellings, by which studding walls are sided with rustic instead of the way previously reported; contractor, F. Buckley; cost, $720.

Block bounded by Noe, Castro, Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets—Outside cementing; owner, John Carroll; contractor, W. C. Watson; cost, $1800.

California street, near Webster—Three-story frame; owner, Mary E. C. Logan; contractor, A. Jackson; cost, $3800.

Presidio street, near Bush—Two-story frame dwelling; owner, D. Albert Abrams; architects, Salfield & Kohlberg; contractor, A. C. Soule; cost, $7500.

Eighth Park, near Ridley street—One-story addition; owner, Mrs. Magel; contractors, Bernard & Treiner; cost, $1500.

Ellis street, near Jones—Additional top story and other improvements; cost, $2000.

Eddy street, between Scott and Pierce—Two-story frame; owner, Charles E. Boynton; architect, W. H. Armitage; contractor, J. J. Mansfeau; cost, $5000.

Fillmore street, near Bush—Two-story frame; owner, J. Boaz; architects, Salfield & Kohlberg; contractor, H. Holzenberg; cost, $4000.

Fillmore street, corner Widley avenue—Three-story frame; owner, E. Schmidt; architects, W. H. Wharff; contractor, B. R. Baukins; cost, $12,500.

Grove street, between Van Ness avenue and Franklin street—Alterations; owner, Mrs. Juliet Levy; architect, J. H. Littlefield; contractor, H. A. Johnson; cost, $1500.

Grove street, between Baker and Lyon—Five two-story frame; owner and builder, W. F. Lewis; cost, $20,000.

Henry street, near Noe—One-story frame; owner, Mrs. Clara M. Page; architect, J. C. Newsom; contractors, Blanchard & Lane; cost, $2000.

Jones street, near Geary—Additions; owner, T. J. Moynihan; architect, I. J. Welsh; contractor, A. Jackson; cost, $4500.

Larkin street, near California—Additions; cost, $1000.

Market street, junction of Hayes—Brick contract on the Doe Building; contractor, E. R. Blain; cost, $62,000.

Mason street, near Ellis—Additional contract; owner, Mrs. J. C. McCauley; contractor, J. H. Lane; cost, $1300.

Minna street, near Fifth—Three-story frame; owner, Rebecca Carson; architect, M. J. Welsh; contractor, M. Walsh; cost, $6000.

Mission street, between Stewart and East—Two-story frame; owner and builder, H. Haase; cost, $10,000.

Noe street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth—Two three-story frames; owner, Louis Zen; architect, W. H. Armitage; contractor, O. E. White; cost, $13,000.

Oak street, near Fillmore—Two-story frame; owner, Joseph Wiba; architect, M. J. Welsh; contractors, Wells & Josling; cost, $6000.

Post street, near Buchanan—Three-story frame; owner, L. Dusenbury; architect, C. I. Havens; contractor, Dennis Hennessy; cost, $15,000.

Page street, near Pierce—Two-story frame; owners, Henry and Helena Bredhoff; architects, White Bros.; contractor, A. G. Johnson; cost, $6500.

Powell street, near Eddy—Additions; owner, Mrs. E. J. Stoddart; architect, P. R. Schmidt; contractor, R. Ringrose; cost, $1250.

Powell street, near Ellis—Alterations; owner, George Parker; architect, M. G. Bugbee; contractor, A. Nelson; cost, $1250.

Sutter street, near Scott—Three-story frame; owner, Ellen Galvin; architect, J. E. Krafft; contractor, A. McElroy; cost, $8500.

Scott street, corner Green—Two-story frame; owner, H. A. Bridge; architects, Mooser & Cuthbertson; contractor, B. J. Malone; cost, $7000.

Sutter street, near Broderick—Three-story frame; owner, W. J. Blackman; architect, Charles Poll; contractor, W. A. Van Dyvort; cost, $7500.

Twenty-fourth street, near Shotwell—Two-story frame; owner, Mary Cooney; architect, M. J. Welsh; contractor, A. J. Ahern; cost, $3600.

Vallejo street, west of Octavia—Two-story frame; owner and builder, W. F. Lewis; cost, $6500.

Vallejo street, east of Octavia—Two-story frame; owner and builder, W. F. Lewis; cost, $5500.

OAKLAND NOTES.

The several real estate agents of Oakland and Alameda offer a choice lot of property, improved and unimproved, including choice sites for suburban homes and elegant residences.

CHINESE ON THE BORDER.

The Captured Twenty-fours at Tucson Will Probably Be Remanded.

Collector of the Port Phelps yesterday received a letter from Carlton Rickards, the interpreter of Chinese, who went to Tucson, Arizona, to act as interpreter during the trial of the twenty-four Chinese that were arrested while trying to cross from Mexico into the United States.

It will be remembered that these were the twenty-four coolies who were captured in the desert of Arizona by Special Agent McCoy. They had started north from the vicinity of Magdalena with a four-mule team, and were trailed and overtaken by McCoy and a son of Marshal Paul.

There is no chance of these Chinamen escaping the judgment of remand. They were part of the crowd that went south in the steamer Newburn, and who were consorted with by the mysterious agent described in THE CALL by the name of "Nemo." They will be positively identified by Special Agent Irving, who is now in Tucson for that purpose. "Nemo" will not testify at the trial, because the Government does not want him to become known.

The Chinese have retained counsel to defend them. Their cases move on slowly, only four having been disposed of so far. Interpreter Rickards wants to return to San Francisco, as the heat in Tucson is greater than is agreeable, the thermometer standing at 100° in the shade.

The other Chinamen, waiting patiently over the border for a chance to sneak in, are still waiting there, but the vigilance of the Federal officials does not give them a chance.

The Ways That Are Dark.

Sergeant Hook and posse raided a disreputable house in Chinatown early this morning and arrested seven men and four women. The house, as are all others of its kind, was locked with padlocks on the outside and seemed deserted, but the Chinese have devised a scheme whereby they can enter the upper stories and drop down through a temporary trapdoor into the dens beneath.

Poll-Tax Is Due Now.

The poll-tax will be delinquent on July 1st next. After that date $1 extra will be added to the tax.

WILL IT DROP?

Warden McComb's Head Still in Jeopardy.

Two of the State Prison Directors in Favor of the Change—Governor Waterman Takes a Hand in the Matter.

The rumor that gained ground Thursday and which culminated in the statement yesterday morning that Warden John McComb was to be displaced and in his stead Moses M. Drew appointed caused considerable commotion among the local politicians.

They read with avidity every line printed in the morning papers and arguments pro and con ensued. But one and all agreed that if such a change be on the tapis it is not due to the causes assigned, and that it will entail other changes.

This is thought to be true since the removal of one or even a half dozen gate-keepers, which is claimed by some to be the cause, would not be enough to make a change of Warden necessary. The law authorizes the Warden to appoint all subordinate officers, including every one having a shadow of authority from the common convict waiter, who deals out the convicts' food, to his own deputies.

The Governor, Secretary Boruck or anybody else has no right to presume to dictate to him whom he shall appoint to the positions under him. Even the Prison Directors have no diction in the matter. If they are not satisfied with his administration of the prison affairs they may, if they wish, declare his office vacant, or if they are not satisfied that a certain subordinate is fulfilling the duties of his position they may declare his position vacant.

POWER OF APPOINTMENT.

Once vacant the office of Warden may be filled by them, but under no law are they authorized to fill the subordinate's vacancy by an appointment, that privilege being vested alone in the person of the Warden.

The office of gate-keeper, from which Berry was deposed, and which was filled by Al Distaline, is a position of so little value that the fact that it was filled by the friend of Boruck, as Berry is, or by Distaine, the friend of the present Warden, is of very small consequence. If there is to be a change at all, which is thought probable, all agree that it will not be caused by this or subordinate.

A gentleman familiar with prison affairs, when asked what he thought of the affair, said: "Well, I think that McComb is doomed, though the publication of the anticipated action by the papers may kill the movement. So far the question of his displacement has only been decided upon by a couple or three of the Board of Prison Directors, and they have been watching the effects of the rumors as published to see how and when they should bring the matter before their colleagues; but the publication that certain Directors, giving their names, had been the instigators of the aggressive movement will cause the contrary effect. I know of combined 'pulls' of all of the Warden's friends to be brought to bear on those malcontents, and they may be silenced by the storm."

WILD GUESSES.

Another gentleman, who is in a position to know, said: "There has been considerable talk about this Warden business. I laugh at the many wild guesses made at the possible cause of the trouble. One of the causes assigned is that the Warden had caused rules prohibiting any of the deputies leaving the prison without his written permission, to be passed by the board and posted in the halls. It is said that this rule caused a 'big kick,' but the 'kick' came more from the saloon-keepers in the neighborhood than from those who really wished to go out and drink. I say, however, that could that slight injury the Warden is all 'bosh.' He is not the author of the rules, and the good effects should not be accredited to him any more than that he should be blamed for the possible loss the community may have sustained by their adoption. The author of the rules is the President of the board, R. T. Devlin. He went through many Eastern prisons gathering them up, and came back armed with enough to overhaul a Digest—then were they to have been adopted and enforced. Only such as were deemed most necessary were adopted, and that those prohibiting the forty frequenting of saloons should be found so onerous only proves how necessary they were. I tell you that it is not in the adoption and enforcement of these rules alone, even if they contribute to it, that the cause of the trouble will be found."

BORUCK AND THE GOVERNOR.

What adds materially to the uncertainty of the rumors is the continued presence of the Governor in the city, and his being constantly with one or more of the Prison Directors. Secretary Boruck, it is claimed, is, if not the power behind the throne, at least one of the most decided advocates of the McComb removal, and that the Governor should interest himself in his secretary's fight is no surprise to any one cognizant with the state of affairs in the gubernatorial office. But it is doubtful if any difference will greatly every Director at the Occidental Hotel, and more than once he has had some one of them button-holed along the streets.

Director Sonntag, who is supposed to know as much as any one of the prison affair, is very jealous lest a word too much shall get to the ears of reporters, but in conversation with the Directors he is less secretive. When the rumor first got abroad Director Craig inquired to see him, but Mr. Sonntag said: "You know as much as I do, if you have read the papers. I do not know why there is this fuss. What do you know?"

In relating this Mr. Craig disclaimed any knowledge whatever of anything having been done, but intimated that there would be before long. He said: "I was with Mr. Sonntag's lodge when I saw him last night. I saw that there was going to be some trouble for the Warden." Continuing, Director Craig said: "I have hunted all around to-day to see the Directors, but I have not found one."

AT FOLSOM.

"Will there be anything done to-morrow at Folsom, do you think?"

"No, I do not think so, unless the two or three interested try to railroad it."

Director Sonntag, when seen yesterday afternoon, was on his way to the train for Folsom. He said: "I have nothing to say, for I know nothing. I noticed more than this morning's papers than has ever come to the notice of or been done by any of the board. No, I cannot tell you about what may be done," and with a knowing look he moved willing look he moved.

Director Edgar J. de Pue was found in his office arranging his affairs prior to departure for Folsom to attend what may turn out to be an historical meeting.

"Oh, yes, I can talk," said he, "much freer than the papers would like to give me credit for. I have not much to tell. It is just as I said last night; there is nothing new. I see by one of the papers of this morning's issue that I am not only credited with being fully cognizant of this affair but also one of the chief instigators. I think it is wrong to have what I did not say or imply put into print in connection. I told our friend there had been no meeting looking toward such a consummation. That was true last night and is still true."

POSSIBILITIES.

"Will there be any such action taken at the meeting at Folsom?"

"No. We will not have a full board and we would want all present, at least I would want every member present before we took such a step."

"But s there any such action contemplated by any member of the board?"

"I am not prepared to say what may be done by individual members of the board. All I can tell you now is that there are no papers filed with the board to that end nor will anything be done at the Folsom meeting. Beyond that I do not wish to be quoted."

Private Secretary Boruck in an interview yesterday said that McComb had no "stancher friend than I, and the story that I am in any way trying to secure the Warden's removal is false."

H. T. Devlin, President of the board, left Wednesday for Sacramento and will go to Folsom to attend the meeting. Directors Charles Sonntag and E. J. de Pue left yesterday afternoon for the same place. Director Craig will be the only absent member.

FRATERNAL INDEX.

Another Legal Decision of Interest to the A. O. U. W.

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Official Assessment Table.

NAME.	Number of Assessments.	Date of Call.	Delinquent by Members.
A. L. of H.	179-180	June 2	July 1-15
A. O. U. W.	14-15	June 1-8	July 28
A. O. U. W.	16-17	July 1-8	July 28
Workmen's Mar. F. A'n	8-9	June 2	June 28
Knights of Honor	279-280-281	June 2	June 30
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Knights and L. of H.	271-272	June 2	June 30
Order Chosen Friends	172	June 1	June 30
Order Chosen Friends	173	July 1	July 31
I. O. B. B.	11-12	June 1	June 30
I. O. B. B.	13-14	July 1	July 31
Royal Arcanum	136	June 2	July 2
End. Ben. Fd., A. O. F. A.	169	June 7	July 7
Legion of West. S. B.	15	June 1	June 30
Pacific End. League	6	June 1	June 30
Pacific End. League	7	July 1	July 31
Equitable Aid Union	172-173	June 2	July 11
Fraternal Guild	5	June 1	July 1
Royal Argosy	8	June 10	July 1
Order Beacon Light	5	June 1	July 1
Eureka Council, A. M.	1	June 1	June 30
United End't Assots	41	June 1	June 30
Order Golden Shore	4	July 1	July 31

NO ASSESSMENTS.

There will be no assessments for June in the Champions of the Red Cross. To the present writing none will be levied in the Young Men's Institute, Young Ladies' Institute and the Order of the Golden Shore.

IMPROVED ORDER RED MEN.

Visits of the Great Sachem and Other Officers to Tribes.

On Monday evening the Hunter's and Warrior's degrees were conferred by Pohonachee Tribe, No. 10, W. H. Fiske, D. D. G. S., officiating. The attendance was very large and the work well performed.

During the coming week election for representatives to the Grand Council, which meets in this city on the first Tuesday in August, will be held in the various city tribes.

Manzanita Tribe, No. 4, had a splendid council on Wednesday evening last. C. H. Tilton, P. S. of Tecumseh Tribe, No. 62, Oakland, was present and made a long talk.

Modoc Tribe, No. 57, on Thursday evening received a fraternal visit from Sotoyome Tribe, No. 12. The ceremony of adoption was performed upon a pale-face in a very creditable manner. The council was also attended by George H. Buck, G. S.; H. S. Winn, G. C. of R.; Henry A. Chase, G. R.; Charles L. Wiggin, P. G. S.; Fred Brant, G. J. S.; W. H. Fiske, D. D. G. S.; J. W. Maher, P. S., No. 4; Charles Fowler and W. H. Hughes, P. S.'s, No. 12, and many other visitors. All the brothers entertained the tribe with interesting remarks and the council was a highly entertaining one.

On Thursday evening Pawnee Tribe, No. 67, Alameda, adopted two pale-faces and also conferred all the degrees upon ten candidates. J. J. Bryan, P. S., of Manzanita Tribe, No. 4, officiated as Sachem during all the work. John O. Scott, G. S., was also present.

On Tuesday evening George H. Buck, G. S., and J. A. Fitcher, P. G. S., made an official visit to Delaware Tribe, No. 48, and Miami Tribe, No. 55, the tribes meeting in joint council at Newcastle. The attendance was large and there was a great deal of enthusiasm.

On Wednesday evening George H. Buck, G. S., accompanied by J. P. Counts, G. S. S.; J. J. Buckley, P. G. S.; George W. Lovie, P. S. No. 24, Adam Smith, P. G. I.; J. W. Maher, P. S. No. 4, and other brothers visited Owosso Tribe, No. 39, Sacramento. The attendance was very good and the visiting brothers received a cordial welcome.

Tahoe Chieftains League, No. 3, will hold its regular council this sleep.

A literary entertainment and ball will be given by Pawnee Tribe, No. 67, at the Park-street Theater, Alameda, this evening. J. J. Bryan, P. S. of No. 4, will deliver an address on the objects and principles of the order.

LEGION OF THE WEST.

A New Subordinate Instituted on Thursday Evening.

Social Lodge, No. 31, held a pleasant reunion of its members at its last meeting. E. J. Reynolds, D. D. G. C., entertained the meeting with appropriate remarks.

Golden West Lodge, No. 26, is making additions to its membership right along. The lodge intends to give a series of open meetings, beginning with the incoming term.

Templar Lodge, No. 2, held an interesting meeting last Monday. Other lodges were largely represented by visiting members. The remarks of E. Roedecker, D. D. G. C., were well received and listened to with a great deal of attention. The joint committee appointed from Mizpah Lodge, No. 1; Templar, No. 2, and California, No. 15, composing District No. 1, to report on a plan for an open district meeting and entertainment, will make its report next week.

Jewel Lodge, No. 12, had a social time at its last meeting. A committee was appointed to make suitable arrangements and prepare a programme for the public installation of the newly elected officers.

La Francaise Lodge, No. 28, received an official visit from Louis C. Knell, D. D. G. C., and other grand officers at its last meeting.

Henrietta Lodge, No. 23, was duly instituted on Thursday evening at Sinnes Building, O'Farrell street, by Louis C. Knell, D. D. G. C., assisted by E. D. Feusier, G. S., and other grand officers, with the following list of officers: Mrs. J. H. Stricmeyer, P. C.; Hart Benton, C.; Louis Kingla, V. C.; Miss Alice Maline, S.; Fred B. Perkins, F.; Otto Kramer, T.; Amelia Lichau, Chaplain; Mrs. Mattie Kramer, M.; Mrs. Josephine Smith, W.; Alice M. Storey, G.; Mrs. Mary Harmes, Sentry; Ernst Lichau, M.D., M.E.; Trustees—J. P. Dameron, Orville Lewis and William Steppenback. This lodge starts with a charter-list of seventy members.

Knights and Ladies of Honor.

The third official visit of the grand officers and deputies will take place next Monday evening at Bay City Lodge.

The members of Bay City and Pacific Lodges entertained their friends in a happy manner last Monday evening. A large attendance was the rule at both gatherings, and the evening was pleasantly spent, dancing being the principal feature.

Palo Alto Lodge gave its initial party on Tuesday evening. It was a success and highly enjoyable. Dr. W. A. Harvey acted as master of ceremonies, and, with Dr. T. B. Ryan, Jr., Key and the Reception Committee, those present passed a most pleasant evening.

Last evening in St. George's Hall Fidelity Lodge gave one of its old-time parties, which are always pleasant affairs, and thereby the hall is usually crowded by members of the order and their friends. The Committee of Arrangements who were so successful in their efforts were: Mrs. P. Holzeiser, Mrs. M. A. Duncan and Mrs. Krone.

News received from Garden City Lodge, San Jose, shows that this lodge is increasing in new members, mostly beneficiary, being added at each meeting. Last Tuesday evening the second social hop took place and was a very enjoyable affair.

A complimentary social will be given by West End Lodge, next Tuesday evening, at Union-square Hall.

Order of the Beacon Light.

Alturas Lodge, No. 6, gives the first of a series of regular bi-monthly socials in the form of a "pound" party, on Wednesday, July 2d, in its hall, 1244 Twenty-fourth street, corner of Chattanooga. On this occasion the lodge will receive an official visit from the supreme officers.

Flamboeau Lodge, No. 7, will give an entertainment and ball at Saratoga Hall on Friday evening, July 25th. The success of its regular socials encourages this active lodge to something more ambitious, and those who enjoy a pleasant evening cannot do better than attend.

The socials of Minerva Lodge, No. 9, and Success, No. 5, on the 9th and 12th inst. respectively, as also the impromptu entertainment given by California Lodge, No. 10, on the occasion of the official visit of the supreme officers, were well attended and much enjoyed.

The Royal Argosy.

C. W. Anderson, D. D. S. P., visited Golden West Lodge, No. 12, last Wednesday evening.

Eclipse, No. 20, Reliance, No. 8, Fidelity, No. 5, had initiations at their last meetings.

Mrs. H. L. Kohn, P. P., and the Supreme Secretary, visited Manzanita Lodge, No. 2, last Monday evening and addressed the meeting.

The death of Mrs. Moss of Unity Lodge, No. 3, is reported.

Olive Lodge, No. 9, has appointed a committee to prepare an entertainment for its anniversary.

A lodge is being worked up in Toledo, Ohio.

Mrs. H. L. Kohn, D. S. C., left on Thursday morning for Tulare and Fresno in the interest of the order.

Order of the Golden Shore.

The new ritual of the order and the laws as amended by the last session of the Supreme Lodge will be distributed to all the lodges on the 1st prox.

The report of the proceedings of the Supreme Lodge has been sent out, including the reports of the supreme officers for the last fiscal year.

On the 1st of July the Organizers will start out, and a rapid increase of membership may be looked for.

Assessment 3, for General Fund purposes, has been paid in promptly, and assessment 4, for Endowment Fund purposes, will be levied July 1st.

Knights of Honor.

F. E. Sutherland, Grand Dictator, is visiting lodges in the interior of the State.

The celebration of the seventieth anniversary of the order by the lodges of this city will take place at I. O. O. F. Hall on the evening of Monday, the 30th inst. The committee having the matter in charge has arranged a most excellent programme for the occasion.

The grand officers will visit several lodges of the order in this city during the coming week.

The installation of officers will take place at the first meeting of the lodge in July.

Confidence Lodge, No. 2282, meets next Tuesday evening and will probably have an initiation.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Campfire of Seven Pines Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R.

Yerba Buena Lodge of Perfection, No. 6, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, at its regular meeting last evening had work in the fourteenth degree.

There will be two assessments levied in this jurisdiction by the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., for the month of July.

This evening, at B'nai B'rith Hall, London and Pickwick lodges of the Sons of St. George will give an entertainment and social to celebrate the third anniversary of the Queen's jubilee.

Since the preparations for the grand event of the Admission day celebration on the 9th of September next began at the N. S. G. W. headquarters considerable interest has been evinced by young Californians in the organization, and now two more new parlors are being organized in this city.

Mrs. Cecilia Schaefler of St. Paul won her case against the A. O. U. W. in Minnesota. It was to recover $2000 on a policy issued by the order to her husband. After Mr. Schaefler's death she demanded the sum named in the policy, but payment was refused on the ground that his dues had not been paid and that he had been suspended from membership accordingly. This was the defense, but counsel for the plaintiff proved to the court that, by the order's own rules, it was necessary for the Secretary to notify him when he was suspended. This was not done, hence the court's decision for the plaintiff, granting her judgment as asked. Lodges should remember this and notify members when suspended.

Several prominent members of the Native Sons of the Golden West assembled last Wednesday evening at Pioneer Hall, and proceeded in a body to South San Francisco to be present at the organization of South San Francisco Parlor, No. 194. The ceremony was instituted by W. H. Miller, G. P., who initiated about sixty members. After the instituting ceremonies were concluded the party sat down to a banquet in Myrtle Hall, where, feasting and toasting was indulged in until an early hour.

Seven Pines Circles, No. 3, Ladies of the G. A. R., held its regular meeting last Monday evening. Two ladies and one comrade were initiated. The principal topic was the discussion of the "camp fire" to be given at Saratoga Hall, on Monday evening, the 30th inst. It will celebrate the fifth anniversary of the organization of Seven Pines Circle, a society of which its members are justly proud. They have accomplished much good work and need funds to continue it. An elegant painting, presented by the artist, will be raffled and Blum's Band will furnish the music. The beautiful engrossed copy of thanks to Rev. Dr. Harcourt for his able and patriotic Memorial Day address was adopted with enthusiastic applause, and the committee empowered to make its presentation, which has since been done.

Sweet Wine Bill.

The following telegram was sent yesterday to Senator Hearst, signed by George West, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Viticultural Commission:

State Viticultural Commission would be unpaid obligations you for a copy of the Tarff Bill as it passed the House of Representatives in order to understand whether changes made in the original Sweet Wine Bill attached thereto are satisfactory to producers. Please inform us whether the reported rejection of sweet wine provisions by Senate Finance Committee is final and whether an opportunity remains to secure favorable action by the Senate.

Hastings Law College.

The degrees will be conferred on the members of the graduating class of the Hastings College of the Law at the old Hall of Pioneers, 808 Montgomery street, Mon