

THE BEST OF ALL

The famous "Matthewson" Place subdivided and to be sold on the Installment Plan.
Seven Handsome Cottages to be given Away

Mr. H.R. Stephens, the owner of the well known Matthewson place, which is situated just east and a little south of the Monrovia depot, has decided to subdivide that most delightful place into large residence lots and place the same on the market on the installment plan.

The plan of disposing of this very desirable property will be similar to that on which the Pile property in Monrovia was disposed of some months ago; and the real estate firm of Buck & Campbell, who so satisfactorily handled that, will also have the selling of this.

There is already one very fine residence on the tract, which cost to construct no less than \$3,500. In addition to that Mr. Stephens has let the contract for the erection of six more handsome cottages on the tract at a cost of from \$1,200 to \$1,500 each, and the builders are now pushing the work vigorously.

The tract consists of 22 acres of the finest fruit land in the county, and is set to almost every variety of fruit trees, among which are oranges, lemons, limes, peaches, French prunes, apricots apples, pears, etc., all of which are now in successful bearing. It is almost entirely surrounded by a row of stately eucalyptus trees, and altogether is one of the most lovely sites for a delightful home in Monrovia, being only three minutes from the depot and street railway.

The water right on this property is unexcelled, being under the well known Duarte system, and Mr. Stephens owns an undisputed right to 22 shares of water which goes with the tract. A Large cement reservoir is being built on one of the lots in the tract, which will be reserved, and, after the drawing takes place, deeded to the purchasers of lots in the entire tract, so that all owners will own an equal share of the reservoir, and the water and the lot reserved for that purpose. Pipes are now being laid and when the water system is completed there will be no better one in this section.

The price of the lots will be but \$375 each, and the terms such that the property will be within the reach of all classes of purchasers, viz: \$100 cash and the balance in monthly installments of \$15 each, without interest.

There will be but 100m lots and everyone who secures a chance is guaranteed a good lot in the tract and a chance to draw one of these very fine cottages, the latter costing

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nothing. As soon as the chances are sold the drawing will take place at Buck & Campbell's office in Monrovia and it will be conducted on the same plan as the Pile property was and by persons whom the purchasers see fit to select from the audience, so that all will be satisfied as to its fairness. It will be borne in mind that the 7 houses and 7 barns will actually be given away, for the lots are all worth the price asked. Every one of them, it is safe to say, will double in value within the next few months. The terms are the very best that anyone could wish for, and the opportunity for sale investment is the most favorable that has yet been offered, taking all things into consideration.

Many persons squander \$15 per month, when if they would place it into property like the above, they would soon be the possessor of a deed to a lovely piece of property, and would never miss what it cost.

For any further information concerning the property or the plan of sale, call at Buck & Campbell's office, who will also show the property to all who will also show the property to all who desire to look at it.

LATEST FASHIONS

The old-fashioned fingerless silk mitts are in favor again.

Dotted fabrics are as fashionable as plaid and barred stuffs.

There is a tendency in Paris toward hats with lower crowns.

Don't wear your gloves over the sleeves on the street or anywhere else, but under them.

Gold trimmings are used extensively, but they are made so dull that they do not strike the eye.

There is a tendency to dispense with buttons on the waists of gowns, and return to the old-fashioned hooks and eyes.

A gold collarette of open braid work is among the articles necessary to complete the toilet of the ultra-fashionable woman.

Fashions are so elastic now that every woman can be in the mode and yet wear nothing unbecoming to her own peculiar style.

Silk fans no longer in fashion, no matter how elaborately painted or embroidered, being replaced by fans of feathers, lace and gauze.

The new material known as tennis cloth is simply a mixture of cotton cloth and wool, resembling Scotch gingham in texture and design

The prettiest summer bonnets and hats are of straw trimmed with white mull, white laces, white flowers, white ostrich feathers, white aigrettes and white birds.

Handkerchiefs for mourning are solid black, with black embroidered edges, also with fine white embroidery. For light mourning the embroidery is black on white.

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This morning at 10 o'clock Francisca Carillo will be married to Juan Lopez at the San Gabriel mission church. A party in honor of the bride and groom will be given at the residence of J. Marron, Duarte at 8 o'clock in the evening.

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\$25 REWARD

I will pay the above reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found bathing or washing in the Monrovia Reservoir or Division Box or interfering in any way with the water pipes.

C.O. Monroe
August 3, 1887

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THR RESERVOIR

Thursday night water was turned into the million-gallon reservoir. The cement work had become thoroughly hardened and everything worked in excellent shape. This has been a great improvement in our water system.

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A MASONIC HALL

The *Planet* was misinformed last week in regard to Mr. Sauage's Block. Instead of being on the corner of Walnut and Myrtle Avenues it will be on Orange between Myrtle and Primrose Avenues. He intends to make it 3 stories high and finish the upper flat for a Masonic hall. The fraternity has been on the lookout for a hall for sometime and this will make excellent quarters for them.

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THE GRANITE BANK

The Monroe and Spence Granite Bank is apparently progressing slowly. But the work of cutting the granite for the front takes a long time. It is going to make a handsome block. It will be occupied by the Granite Bank and W.N. Monroe & Son. The cost of the building is \$25,000.

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Miss Frankie McCreedy of Los Angeles will shortly organize a class in Monrovia for the instruction of instrumental music. Miss Frankie comes to us highly recommended from those under whom she has graduated and parents who have children to instruct in art of music would be well rapid in placing their children under her care.

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ENLARGED

It will perhaps be noticed that the *Planet* has this week been enlarged from a 6 to a 7-column paper. This step was necessary owing to the increased demand on our advertising columns.

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There is talk of a first-class restaurant being started in Monrovia.

CATALINA ISLAND

Some of the Beauties and Attractions of the Place

A jolly party of pleasure seekers from Monrovia consisting of Mrs. W.N. Myrtle, Birdie, Milton and George Monroe, Mrs. and Mrs. Reider and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lamport and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. P.G. Hull, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Hotchkiss, Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Miller daughter and son, Frank and Ed Chess, Mr. and Mrs. James Banning have been enjoying themselves wonderfully well for the past two weeks. They returned Thursday feeling much better for their outing. Our reporter doesn't want us to say anything about the whole party. Excepting one young lady and gentleman being sea sick on the trip over, so we won't mention it. Santa Catalina Island has recently been purchased by a syndicate who will convert it into a summer and winter resort. A correspondent who has recently visited the island says: Santa Catalina is nearly due south from the port of San Pedro and is about 20 miles distant. It's length is nearly 25 miles and it is 7 miles wide at the widest point narrowing to $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile at the isthmus in the center of the island is mountainous and broken and has very little tillable land though some fruit is raised and there are one or two vegetable gardens. The highest mountain has an altitude of 2,800 feet. The past year has been a remarkably dry one. The island there being only one rain storm last winter. There are no large trees but scrub oak and low bushes abound all over the island the flora of Catalina is identical with that of the mainland. Springs are quite numerous. In the mountains and some of the canyons are very pretty water is struck at a depth of from 10 to 15 feet and it savors a little of aikai. There are 2 small but excellent harbors where large vessels can ride with safety – Tim's Landing on the northern side and Johnson's landing on the southern. The steamer lands at the former, which is the most popular camping ground. There are over 50 tents pitched along the beach at this point along the beach at this point and the novelty attired bathers. The white-winged boats flitting to and fro and the occasional sighting of a flying fish, porpoise or seal breaking the unruffled surface of the sea combine to make a picture worthy of the brush of our best artists. The shores of Catalina as a rule are rocky and abrupt but are broken at irregular intervals by snug little bays and the level sandy beaches. Precipitous bluffs invite the adventurous climber and the cool pebble-lined grottos afford an even greater delight to the individual who is born tired and devotes. The larger part of his life to the development of that particular "energy" beautiful shells in countless numbers and endless variety are found along the shore and pretty moss also abounds. The sportsman will find Catalina a veritable paradise as both land and sea abounds with game sea lions, seals, porpoises, Jew fish, barracuda, mackerel, rock cod, white fish, sea bass, yellowtails and a number of varieties of small fish in the sea wild goats, foxes squirrels and quail on land and sea fowl who are at home on both. It is said that the goats here are the descendants of some domesticated ones left on the island by the earliest navigators of the coast.

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The Vanderlink Improvement Co. has commenced their seventh cottage.

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Long Beach catches most of the Monrovia people when they go to the coast.

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Mrs. Hutchinson of East Los Angeles is building a very neat house on Myrtle Avenue.

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Dr. Pritile and Sam Maxwell have entered into partnership in the real estate business with office next door to the *Planet* building.

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The *Planet* has received a copy of the daily sun of Winnipeg, Manitoba sent by S. Bowerman who was remaining there for a few days visiting friends.

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Winters and Harman have commenced business in the real estate line. They have an office at the corner of Ivy and Lemon Avenues in Perham's Drug Store.

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Thomas Wardall of Duarte left a basket of lovely Crawford peaches at the *Planet* office this week. Also some Washington navel oranges, which although remaining on the trees so long are as good as they were last winter.

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MAGNOLIA STREET RAILWAY

Word has been received from New York that work has been commenced on the cars for the Magnolia Avenue Street Railway. The car shops have been rushed that they could not be made sooner. The road will be put into running shape by the time the cars arrive.

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STREET RAILWAY CROSSINGS

It is generally supposed to be the rule for street railway companies to fix approaches to the rails at street crossings and elsewhere so that they are in a passable condition. Parties along Myrtle Avenue wish the *Planet* to call attention to the fact that some of the crossings on that avenue are in very bad condition.

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RAPID TRANSITT

THE CONTRACT TO BE LET IN A VERY FEW DAYS

During the past week or 10 days engineers have been busy at work on the right-of-way of the San Gabriel Valley Rapid Transit Railway which will run from Monrovia to Los Angeles in as straight a line as possible. There is to be another meeting of the Directors today in Los Angeles which the contract for grading the road 15 miles will be let and as soon as the contract is awarded the work will be proceeded with in a lively manner so as to be in running order early. This winter the Fisher Electric System will be used.

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ROAD IMPROVEMENT

The principal road between Monrovia and Duarte connecting with Duarte Avenue is being vastly improved. It was a new road only a short time ago and soon became very soft and full of chuckholes. Enterprising citizens have put their hands into their pockets and have paid out their money for its improvement. It is being widened, graded and thoroughly wet down. When completed it will make a splendid drive.

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GETTING THERE LIVELY

W.N. Monroe's brick block at the corner of palm and Myrtle Avenues is assuming proportions. The walls are climbing upward rapidly. It will be occupied by Dr. Jay as a drugstore and Adams & McKee as a hardware store and is expected to be completed by the first of October.

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JUVENILE PICNIC

A party of about 25 young people intends having a picnic Tuesday. They have engaged teams and are going over to the Garey Canyon, Duarte. Lunch will be taken along and the youngsters expect to have a jolly time.

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Mrs. Brown a sister of Miss Beck was in Monrovia Tuesday.

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Miss Jennie Bowerman has gone to Long Beach for a couple of weeks.

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Charlie Tucker of Glendora comes over to see Monrovia occasionally.

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Rev. W.M. Sterling expects his family in a few days from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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Charlie Clapp is going on a trip to Catalina Island with a party of Pasadena people.

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Patton and Jeffreys, the enterprising real estate men of Glendora took in Monrovia this week.

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J.H. Bartle and Gus Morgan start for Santa Barbara this morning to be absent about a week.

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P.S. Griffin former real estate agents of this place but now resident of Santa Barbara was in town Tuesday.

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George Anderson and wife of East Los Angeles visited Monrovia this week. Mr. A. has made considerable money in Monrovia realty.

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J.T. Tuttle has gone to Fulton Wells where he will remain for a short time and indulge in some of the native mineral water. Mrs. Tuttle accompanied him.

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C.A. Campbell of the firm of Buck and Campbell has returned home with his bride,
after an extended wedding tour in the east and northwest.

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Mrs. Monroe _____ his Arizona trip where he
was enjoying things with the thermometer at 130 degrees, and filling himself up on
mineral water. He feels much stronger.

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Miss Jereslaw and brother of Los Angeles are stopping at the Grandview. They are very much pleased with Monrovia and may come here to live in the near future.

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DEVELOPING MORE WATER

Messrs. Studebaker and Case, the former of South Bend Indiana and the latter of Racine Wisconsin are receiving bids for the construction of their handsome cottages above Banana Avenues. They have men at work in the little canyon above their property in the expectation of finding water and it is said that the indications are very favorably.

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YMCA

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INTERESTING EVENTS

Miss Frankie Wardall eldest daughter of Thomas Wardall of Duarte was married last Sunday to Fred O. Mosher of Los Angeles. The ceremony was performed by D.S. Shrode at the residence of the Bride's parents in the presence of a very few guests. They took the early morning train Monday for San Francisco where
_____ for some time.

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W.N. Monroe and son yesterday sold 50 lots in the Hunter Subdivision to a Los Angeles syndicate for a good round figure. They are going to improve it and place it on the market.

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**TREASURY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY**

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned. It has been made to appear the "THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MONROVIA," in the town of Monrovia, in the county of Los Angeles, and State of California, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking..

THEREFORE, I, Willaim L. Trenholm, Comptroller of the Currency do hereby certify the "THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MONROVIA," IN THE TOWN OF Monrovia, in the County of Los Angeles, and State of California, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty one hundred and sixty nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and Seal of office this 2nd day of July,
1887. W.L. Trenholm
(SEAL) No. 3743 Comptroller of the Currency