See the \$2.50 tea sets at Tuttle's Bazaar.

For a capable nurse inquire at this office.

Pianos and organs for sale and to rent at Tuttle's Bazaar.

The assessor made his annual tour of Monrovia this week.

Lou Wilde is now the possessor of the trotter formerly owned by J.S. Keefer.

R.A. Blair, architect has moved his office to the First National Bank building.

Elmo Pirtle, real estate agent, has desk room in the office of J.S. Keefer & Co.

Mrs. Rowe will soon move her dressmaking parlor to rooms above Tuttle's Bazaar.

Ball's and the celebrated P.D. corsets, children's goods _____ waist and ladies' furnishing goods at Tuttle's Bazaar.

L. Barnes would like to see you get the benefit of some of his cheap goods. Cost sale till April 1^{st} .

Do you own a dog? A city tax is going to be put upon them. No doubt the number of canines will be cur-tailed.

Professor Ludlam has been requested to repeat the comedy "Ici on Parle Française" and many probably do so at an early date.

A bargain lot on Palm Avenue, one half block east of the Granite Bank only \$1,7000. If sold soon one-half cash. W.S. Hall & Son, Orange Avenue.

R.R. Thompson, who has been ill at the Belmont for a long time past had a telegram from his brother in the east stating that he will be here shortly.

A number of young ladies and gentleman gave a surprise party for Miss Addie Bowerman at the Monrovia Hotel Tuesday evening. A pleasant evening was spent.

E.M. Taylor Jr. has returned to Monrovia. He has been up around San Bernadino. Arrowhead Springs, Wgonia, and Redlands for the past 3 weeks but will be content to hang his harp on Monrovia's willow tree hereafter.

If you want to get a right conception of the size of Monrovia go up on Diamond Flat from that point you can see what kind of proportions it assumes. If you have not heretofore seen the town from an elevated position it will surprise you.

If any one would like good property cheap here it is. Lot 50 LeMars subdivision \$400 valued \$600. Lot 8 Chappelow's subdivision containing one acre all in bearing summer fruit \$850 valued \$1,200. Address lock box No. 2, Monrovia, California

An accident occurred to M.B. McCall Monday afternoon he was taking the harness off Charlie Tucker's grey horse, which shied, and becoming extricated in the harness upset the sulky and fell upon the young man considerably bruising him and cracking one of his ribs. Dr. jay says he is getting along nicely.

THE TREMBLING EARTH

Not to be behind other parts of the state, Monrovia had an earthquake of her own last Wednesday morning. In some parts of the town buildings were shaken while a hundred yards away it was not felt. We did not know of it in this office for an hour afterward until some one told us that there had been an earthquake at 8 o'clock. It was certainly very slight or it would have been more generally felt. Parties who had never felt a shock (and did not feel this one) were disappointed that it was not heavier. Dishes in some of the stores and stoves in a few of the houses were rattled.

The shock was felt in Los Angeles much heavier than here. Many of the large buildings trembled. No damage was done however.

At Pasadena the shock lasted about 10 seconds while in Monrovia it was not more than 3. It died considerable type in the *Star* office.

MONROVIA AND DUARTE UNION From the Censor

This little union of thirty-two members is comparatively a young Union, and yet one that pushes right ahead in the work it undertakes to do.

From the first it has taken a good deal of interest in the building of our State Headquarters, and although it made no pledges, it has worked right along quietly to raise a certain amount.

Last week Mrs. Taylor, the _____ president of the Union, brought to the Board of Trustees a pretty large roll of paper, tied artistically with a bit of blue ribbon. It took some time to unroll it and find out what it meant. There were yards of names grouped together in a neat and orderly manner, representing the donors to the building fund with the amount given, set opposite the names. The names numbered three hundred and twenty-four, the amount donated \$250; the sums varying from five cents up to ten dollars.

In glancing over the list it was found that a thorough canvas had been made, and we were glad to see not only names of men and women but those of the Sunday school children. Even the babies were solicited to give and judging from the long list, we do not believe one of them refused. This list will be placed among the treasures in our corner stone. It deserves to go there, because of the untiring work of the dear women of Monrovia and Duarte. M.E.G.

A Gard to the Public

To facilitate my daily increasing business and to better accommodate the many people settling in our midst, I have taken a partner in the person of George A. Hunt, the energetic and successful salesman of our friends, Parker & Johnson, a young man of sterling business qualities and a thorough gentleman. We will deliver goods in our line, every day, to all who desire them, and shall be pleased to do our very best to serve our patrons and the public.

Yours respectfully, William Sinclair Hereafter the name and style of the firm will be Sinclair & Hunt

THAT GARBAGE WAGON

Some two or three weeks ago the City Trustees passed an order that a wagon should be engaged to go around the city and gather up the garbage from residences and business places, and take it to some far away place and dispose of it. The *Planet* thought it was a good idea and seconded the motion. A number of persons commenced placing the refuse in barrels in readiness, but the wagon has never made its appearance and they would like to know why.

GEM BASEBALL CLUB

A new baseball club has just been organized in this city, which will do business under the name of "The Gems of Monrovia." The boys are amateurs and of course only expect to play amateur games. They expect to have a game with the Pomona's a week from today; at least they have sent them a challenge. They will have a practice game this afternoon, appearing in their new suits. They will play no games on Sundays.

SIERRA MADRE HALL

L. Barnes', the Pioneer merchant, is in San Francisco, Whither he has gone to purchase his spring stock of dry goods. He informs us that he will have by the first if April the finest stock of goods ever brought to the city. He will make a point of having a large selection of the latest styles in dress goods. During the reminder of this month he will sell his goods at cost so as to make room for the new stock.

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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

A Gay Party of Merry Little Maskers in Fancy Costumes

A party of thirty-five young people, ranging in age from eight to sixteen years, assembled at the residence of T.V. Lamport on Monday evening of this week. The occasion was the birthday of Master Willie, who had attained the age of fifteen years. A large number of invitations were extended, and upwards of thirty put in an appearance. It was a fancy dress party, and a great many characters were represented, in a number of cases quite creditably. There was a grand march in which all the participants took part. The usual games were participated in, after which there was an excellent lunch of ice cream and cakes. The young people enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. A number of people dropped in during the evening to look at the little folks, and all were pleased. The following is a list of those present and their costumes:

Birdie Monroe - Scotch girl

Myrtle Lloyd – Winter

Jacquette Hunter – American Flag

Lillie Monroe - Spring

Minnie Monroe – Summer

Bessie Williamson -- Flower Girl

Nellie Slemons - Sunflower Eva Metcalf – Orange blossoms

Christie Matthewson – Italian girl

Emma Sinclair - Gypsy girl

Frances Nichols - Lady Washington Lawrence Sevier - Sailor boy

Della Lamport - Night Mattie Crews - Morning

Lora Lamport – Folly Laura Crews - Fairy Julia Barnes - Fairy

Hal Slemons - Turk

Kenny Bowerman – Knight of Richard the 3rd

Charlie Wood - Clown

Fred Metcalf – Irishman

Tommy Hotchkiss - Negro

Warren Cook - Priest

Clarence Cook - Nun Fred Slemons – Sailor Boy

Clarence Bowerman – Page

Adiel Tomlinson - Italian

Nat Williamson – Baseball player

Willie Nichols - Sultan Willie Little - Indian chief

Harold Bray - Old style wedding suit Herbert Bray - "Pat" the Irish Boy

Willie Mathewson – sailor Boy

Willie Lamport -- Page

A HANDSOME OFFICE

For a little over a year Cyrus A. Campbell has conducted an extensive real estate business in Monrovia. He started the Monrovia Land Bureau with E.L. Buck in a very unpretentious little office. These quarters were too small and they leased part of the Combs & Banning block on Myrtle Avenue. After a very heavy summer's business during which time Mr. Buck retired - Mr. Campbell found that larger and more suitable quarters were necessary. In connection with Messrs. Wilde & Brossart, he has erected a fine brick building at the corner of Myrtle and Orange Avenues, opposite the First National Bank building. His half of the building is on the north, and the ground floor is now ready for occupancy. The size of it is 23 by 60 feet. There is a plate glass front, containing two nice windows in one of which Mr. Campbell intends to constantly to keep fruit and the other flowers. This will be quite an attraction. The floor of the front office will contain handsome linoleum. There is a handsomely constructed counter, which, like the remainder of the woodwork, will be finished as black walnut, trimmed as French walnut. Behind the counter is a fireplace, with walnut mantle. In the corner is one of the best safes manufactured by the firm of MacNeals & Urban, and weighing two and a half tons. It contains a fire and burglarproof vault, so that monies placed there will be secure. On the south wall is a bulletin board, a new feature in real estate offices, and a good one. Hung around the walls in walnut frames will be lithographs of various towns in Southern California. A fine map of the city will be placed on rollers on the north wall. In an alcove under the stairway will be located wash basin, mirror, etc. A private office is made adjoining the counter, by means of sliding doors, partitions of walnut and ground glass. It is carpeted and contains the necessary desks and chairs, with a cabinet for stationery and supplies, typewriter, etc. From the front office you enter through and archway, hung with handsome portiers, into a parlor, nicely carpeted, containing tables and chairs, with writing material and the leading newspapers. The parlor is for the free use of the public, who may wish a pleasant place in which to write a letter or read the news. It is a valuable addition to the general comforts and accommodations of the office. Gas fixtures have been put in and the building is to be lighted with gas as soon as the works are in operation. Mr. Campbell intends doing a general loan and discount business, besides his operations in real estate. Undoubtedly he will meet with a large measure of success.

S.D. KENDALL & SON

The above named firm has opened an office in the Granite Bank block for the transaction of their business in this vicinity. They are civil and topographical engineers. Maps and plans of towns furnished town site laid out, and all kinds of civil and topographical engineering and surveying. For two years they were employed by the state of Massachusetts. Since coming to California they have been temporarily located at South Pasadena, but have selected Monrovia as their home.

THE LATE CHARLES H. STEWART

One of Monrovia's Leading Physicians and Postmaster Departs This Life

There was perhaps no man held higher in the esteem of the citizens of Monrovia than Dr. Charles H. Stewart, who died on Tuesday morning, last, at his residence, corner of Myrtle and White Oak Avenues. For seven years he had been ill of consumption, and two years ago last fall, thinking that the climate of California would be beneficial to him, he left Cynthiana, Kentucky, and came to Duarte, where during the winter he practiced his profession. When Monrovia was first started he came over here and in connection with F.E. Perham opened a drug store. He also practiced his profession, and was appointed postmaster of the village, a position that he held until his death. He leaves a widow and one little son, an aged mother, a sister and two brothers, one an attorney in Alexandria, Kentucky, and the other Dr. J. Taylor Stewart of this place. He was 33 years of age. The funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon at the house by Rev. Dr. Stevenson, and the remains were taken to Los Angeles Friday, where they were placed in a receiving vault, from whence they will be taken to Kentucky for interment in the spring. During the funeral services Dr. Stevenson made use of the following remarks: Charles H. Stewart was born in Harrison County, Kentucky, August 8, 1855, and died in Monrovia, California, March 6, 1888. He was married five years ago, and for the last two years has been identified with the interests of Monrovia. It is the testimony of those who knew him longest and best, that he passed through his boyhood without the formation of a single bad habit, which is no doubt due to early parental instructions, enforced by a godly example. Hence his life was one of strictest morality. During his illness he was led to feel his need hence he sought and found the pearl of great pride, the pardon of sin and the witness of the spirit to that pardon. At his request I administered to him the ordinance of baptism and the Holy Communion and received him to church membership. He often expressed his regret that he had deferred this act so long. He spoke frequently and eloquently of the blessed rest he found in Christ. More than once he said, "Formerly prayer agitated and disturbed me; now it calms and quiets me; my cares are lessened, my fears are dismissed and though I would like to live, for there are dear and sacred ties that bind me to earth, yet if my Father calls me I am ready to go." Such a testimony is of priceless value to those sorrowing and deeply bereaved hearts. Possessing the instincts and manners of a gentleman, the culture of scholarship and far more then ordinary love for and skill in his profession, it is not strange that he attracted, won and retained to the last the confidence and the esteem of the entire community in which he lived. As a businessman he was a model of correctness, honor and integrity. As a physician he not only loved his profession for its own sake, but also felt and manifested an abiding interest in the patients committed to his care. As a citizen he was faithful, intelligent, active and enterprising; but it was within the sacred circle of home that his worth shone with undimmed lustre; it was there that he was best known, where his inner as well as his

THE LATE CHARLES H. STEWART - Continued

outward life was read, that he was appreciated most, and it is here he will be missed as nowhere else. This godly mother, who has followed him with her prayers, this sister and he spent five of the happiest years of his life, this sister and these brothers, whose welfare and happiness occupied so much of his thoughts and plans, will miss him as none else can; they will revere and cherish his memory with the tenderest devotion until they meet him again; and this dear child, not old enough to feel the shadow of the great woe that has fallen on him, will no doubt in the distant future look back to this as the period when the first shadow fell upon the path of his young childhood. He has gone from us; we must close the volume, but carry with us its contents. We may not call him back to us but we may go to him.

Gertrude A. Rawley died at the residence of her parent Lime Avenue on Monday morning last of consumption. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. D.H. Colcord and the remains taken to Pasadena for interment.

DUARTE DOINGS

For ten years past Duarte has been steadily developing without pause, simply by force of intrinsic merit and this process is now going on at an accelerated rate. The influx of visitors has greatly increased since the completion of our pretty and well manages Highland Hotel. Our smart neighbor Monrovia doubtless takes the crows, but a drive to Duarte orange orchard is the first thing on the program for Monrovia visitors.

Dane Nature now begins to put on her fairest dress. The apricot orchards are withering with bloom and the almond trees are a mass of snowy blossoms. The barley field from a rich emerald setting to the landscape, but words are vain. One must see all this to appreciate it.

Most of the orange crop has been bought up by the Messrs. Earl & Co. who are rapidly shipping it to various points, principally east and southwest. Duarte oranges still command the highest market rates. Messrs. Porter Bros. & Co. of San Francisco, reported yesterday of Duarte Washington navels at \$5.50 and \$6.00 per box, and can sell all they can get at these rates.

Apropos of the Citrus Fair now open, you remark yesterday that no Los Angeles county district is exhibiting except Anaheim, although all received an invitation. As you are aware, Duarte made a splendid display at Riverside, second to none, and could do so again, but the invitation to send an exhibit reached our committee too late to make it possible for us to put in an appearance. We should doubtless have made a good showing had we been notified earlier. However, we wish Riverside every success in its spirited enterprise.

The contract for Dr. Donaldson's sanatorium on the mesa at the head of Highland Avenue, half way up the Sierra Madres, has been let to J. C. Anderson. The cost of the building alone will be at least \$16,000. Its situation will be unique, it will look serenely down on Raymond Hill, Sierra Madre Villa, Gold Hill and Diamond Flat, and the blue Pacific, far to the west. Its climate in exceptionally genial and pleasant for invalids. The entertainment at the Methodist Church on Saturday evening was a great success, the auditorium being filled. The exercises consisted of elocution and music, vocal and instrumental, by amateur talent from Los Angeles, Monrovia and Duarte. The audience seemed highly pleased with the program and the manner in which it was rendered. Where all did so well it would be invidious to specify particular excellence. The proceeds were devoted to the church

W.C.

NEWSPAPER DUNS

Two fishermen caught a young sea lion weighing about 65 pounds between Santa Monica and Ballona harbor last Sunday. They sold the lion to Mrs. Young who keeps a restaurant on the beach. She intends placing the lion in a tank containing salt water for the purpose of exhibiting him this season.

As sure as men think of the same topics, just as sure will their thought become a common one, their beliefs alike and their aspirations flow in sympathetic currents. It could not well be otherwise. Therefore it behooves the people of Monrovia to think of the sewage question. It is a topic that should receive more thought than at present. If you have an idea, express it to your neighbor; get his opinion and talk the matter over. The need of sewerage is acknowledged by everyone. But how are we going to construct a system of sewerage? Where will the necessary funds come from? Certainly not by direct taxation, as we don't want to pay the fiddler and let hundreds of others, who may come late to the party, dance to our music free of charge. Is there any better way than bonding the city for a sufficient sum to make all needed improvements and have the amount payable in fifteen or twenty years? If there is, let someone tell us how. Debentures of the city of Monrovia should find ready purchasers. Delays are dangerous in nearly all cases but especially in the matter of sewerage.

WATER FUND

THE FRUIT CANNING BUSINESS

There cannot be the least doubt but that the fruit canning and crystallizing business pays good money.

About three years ago a firm in Los Angeles commenced crystallizing figs. They made a good article and found a ready market for their goods. In two years it became necessary for them to double the capacity of their works and but for the fact that they could not buy sufficient fruit, although they offered fifty dollars per ton for it, this capacity of their factory would have been inadequate to supply their orders. An active demand has suddenly developed for California evaporated apricots. Much higher prices soon are probable. Holders are firmer in their views and buyers more anxious. Reports from Philadelphia advise that the little stock is obtainable. Chicago is said to be about out and in Boston a very small available quantity, while on the pacific Coast the supply is reported as exhausted.

TWO PICTURES

"The first is Pasadena with \$500,000 invested in schools and churches and not one dollar in the whisky business.

The other is Leadville, Colorado, with over 200 saloons and nearly as many gambling houses and the public school closed on account of money and accommodations.

Comment is superfluous" - Rural Californian.

We might just here remark that Monrovia has no saloons, but she has one of the most flourishing schools in the country, with four teachers. Thousands for schools but not one cent for whisky.

PALM AVENUE BOOM

Palm Avenue is having a boom of it own. It has been graded from Myrtle to magnolia Avenues and put into fine shape. A good cement sidewalk will be made on either side of the avenue from Myrtle to Magnolia. As we mentioned last week, a fine large building is to be built in that vicinity, at the corner of Palm and Primrose Avenue. It is to be a two-story building, brick, 50 feet on Primrose by 150 on palm. The ground floor will have three stories restaurant and an office, and the upper flat arranged as offices and living rooms. J.S. Keefer and others will put up the building. Bids for this structure have been opened, but some changes will be made and new bids requested. In the original map of the town some lots on Palm Avenue were shallow. By a re-subdivision they have been made wider and deeper, which makes them among the most desirable lots in the city.

J.B. Nichols has commenced his fine brick building on Palm Avenue and others are spoken of. When they are completed it will make quite a business avenue.

General Pile is able to be around again after his illness.

A beautiful line of hanging lamps at Tuttle's Bazaar.

Dr. J.D. Baker will next week remove his office to the Badeau block.

The best line of stationery in the city at Tuttles' Bazaar.

E.M. Taylor Jr. has returned to Monrovia to represent the interests of "Lovely La Verne."

We have had rain almost constantly for a week still there is very little mud in Monrovia.

Mr. William Smith accompanied by his wife and child of Moosomin, Canada, arrived in Monrovia Saturday. They will remain here.

Mrs. Susan Carter has removed to her cottage on Olive Avenue and the Misses Amon have rented the Arlington on Myrtle Avenue and will carry on the business in the future.

Mrs. J.H. Myer's dress and mantle maker has removed from the Badeau block to Walnut Avenue between Charlotte and Ivy where she will be pleased to meet her old friends and many new ones.

The *Pasadena Star* is authority for the statement that "The Syndicate" at Monrovia has closed a deal for twenty thousand acres north of here and is now about to commence negotiations for a tract of twelve thousand acres.

AUCTION SALE

A sale of 20 acres in one acre lots at auction will take place at Duarte on Falling Leaf Avenue directly north of Duarte R.R. depot on Monday, March 12th 1888. An excursion train will be run from Los Angeles. Sale by H.H. Matlock & Son

Auctioneers a free lunch for every lady. This land has a good house and fine orange grove. All will be sold without reserve. Dr. Lasher of Los Angeles and Dr. Urmy of Duarte are the owners.

Sam Lee has opened a Chinese laundry at the corner of Almond and Shamrock Avenues.

NEW LODGING HOUSE

The upper portion of the Savage block has been finely furnished throughout and will be conducted as a lodging house hereafter, by Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Savage, late of the Pico House, Los Angeles. It is centrally located and has convenient arrangements. Transient lodgers will also be accommodated.

Matters in regard to the Building and Loan Association are progressing favorably. Articles of incorporation have been forward to the Secretary of State, and are expected back in a few days. As soon as they arrived a meeting of the stockholders will be called and the business of the association will commence.

A FUND WANTED

The city of Monrovia started business for herself without a cent in her pocket, and is nearly as well off now as upon that eventful day. That was all very well for a start because she had no creditors. Things have changed since. Some business has been transacted, accounts have been made, and the treasure has no sack to run his hand into when the creditors want their money. That is, he has a sack, but it is void of cash. Officers will soon want their salaries. Where is the money to come from? These are pertinent questions and should occupy the attention of our city fathers, if they have not done so already. There are improvements that should be made. Streets that should be properly graded. The people are crying out for sewerage and their cries are not heard. Look well to the finances, gentlemen.

The Monrovia Hotel has been rented. Mr. Bowerman's lease expires at the end of this month.

H.I. Johnson, lately arrived from Rockford, Illinois, will soon commence a two story house at the corner of Charlotte and palm Avenues.

A.J. Bent, of Wabasha, Minnesota, arrived in the city a few days ago, to take a position as conductor on the Rapid Transit railway. He is a brother-in-law of Rev. Dr. Stevenson and will bring his family here to reside shortly.

Cyrus A. Campbell has moved into his new house at the corner of Heliotrope and Wild Rose. He had some idea of living in Los Angels but wisely changed for Monrovia. He purchased his furniture, carpets, etc., entirely from local forms as every patriotic citizen should do.