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If you want to see an elegant display of diamond rings go to Cronenwett's.

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The new oven of the Monrovia Steam bakers is completed and they re now using it.

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George R. Johnson, E.P. Large and E. M. Prindle are in attendance at the Los Angeles courts as jurors.

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Chronometer, fine watch and music box repairing a specialty, By Cronenwett, the jeweler.

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The Nile has fallen 30 inches in a week. The water is now lower than ever known, even by tradition.

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E.C. Valentine & Co. report their trade to be rapidly increasing. The best meats and courteous treatment are what win.

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Owners of property in Monrovia should bear in mind the fact that taxes are due and payable at the office of W.N. Monroe.

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The Republican rally on the 19th promises to be the most enthusiastic and largely attended meeting ever-held in Monrovia.

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Monrovia will enjoy the presence of a circus tomorrow. Robinson & Heike's show being advertised for this place at that date.

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The synod of the Presbyterian Church was held at Pasadena last week. John Brown was the delegate from the Monrovia church.

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D. Nicholson, the merchant tailor, is selling as he advertises, cheaper than the cheapest.
Quick sales and small profits has always been his motto in doing business.

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Mrs. Dr. J.T. Stewart and son Mortimer departed yesterday for a three months' visit at their old home in Robertson, Kentucky. May they have a pleasant journey and a good time all around.

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Nelson Smith, of Sierra Madre, has fitted up one of his storerooms on Lemon Avenue and will at once put in a stock of cigars and confectionery. His mother will have charge of the business.

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The Monrovia Steam Laundry has received its new machines from the east and is now prepared to do cuffs, collars, etc., in the very best style. The laundry is starting out with a good patronage and giving excellent satisfaction.

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J.W. Harvey and wife went to San Pedro last Saturday to celebrate their wooden wedding at the residence of Mrs. H's parents. They were accompanied by J.H. Bartle and wife and Miss Addie Bowerman. Mrs. Bartle remained for a visit with her relatives.

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Monrovia wanted a cannery. Monrovia got a cannery. How? By just taking hold and pushing right along. The fruit was Monrovia grown, the cans were Monrovia made, the labels were printed at Monrovia and the parties doing this are all Monrovia people. We like this Monrovia way of doing business. – *Redlands Citrograph*.

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Miss Amanda Case, daughter of J.I. case, of Racine, Wisconsin, who spent the winter in Monrovia and Pasadena, will be married today at the house of her parents. Miss case is a charming young lady and the lucky groom is to be congratulated. Me Vase has an elegant winter home in Monrovia _____.

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The weather has been exceedingly pleasant the past week.

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Conductor Will Bryson is back on the R.T. this week after a week's outing down the coast.

Sherman Glasscock, bookkeeper for the Pasadena *Star*, made us a pleasant visit Monday.

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A band of Indian hunters are said to be in the Sierra Madre Mountains slaughtering deer.

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The city council did not hold its regular session last week, a majority of the trustees being absent.

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Dr. George, Dave Hyde, W.L. Phippin, and E. Neff went up the San Gabriel canyon Sunday to be absent a week., hunting and fishing.

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A.L. Fell was up Monday from Long Beach. He does not know just how soon he and his family will return to Monrovia.

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The prohibition meeting advertised for Friday night was not held, owing to the hall being occupied. The speakers were on hand, however.

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B.F. Crews and wife were made happy Sunday morning by the advent of a little daughter.
Our congratulations are extended to the happy parents.

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There was an attempted robbery at the Grand View Monday night but the burglar was scared away just as he had pried a window open to effect an entrance.

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The little son of Mr. Sevier shot a bald eagle on the hills above the city last week. The bird measured nearly nine feet from tip of the wings.

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Convince yourselves that we have no exorbitant rents to pay; no booming prices, but ask you only living profits on all our goods. Cronenwett, the jeweler.

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The Monrovia Steam Laundry employs none but American help. Let our citizens practice what they preach and patronize the Laundry instead of the Chinese.

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S.W. Vivion was up Monday and Tuesday shaking hands with his friends here. He is doing a fine trade in boots and shoes at San Pedro but is still in love with Monrovia.

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Dr. Kellogg, of Alhambra, was in the city Wednesday. This is his first visit here since the town was established, although he used to drive over the site long before that time.

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Mrs. Clara A. Woods, who spent last winter at the Grand View Hotel, has recently been married to Mr. Harvey, a gentleman who also spent the winter here. Mrs. Woods returned to her home in Melford, New Hampshire, some months ago.

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Now that a greater inquiry is being made for realty and the prospects are growing brighter in every way. If you have a piece of property that you wish to offer at a bargain or if you wish to buy at a bargain or if you wish to buy at a bargain, call on the Syndicate. It will pay you to do so every time.

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The Southern California conference of the M.E. Church south convened at San Diego on the 3rd, with Bishop Galloway presiding and the session was a very interesting one. F.C. Cason, pastor of the Duarte church was assigned to the charge of Azusa and Duarte and Rev. A. Adams becomes pastor of the Duarte church. Dr. J.M. Pirtle attended the conference.

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The manager of the Syndicate, L.T. Graves, informs us that he is receiving numerous inquires in regard to ranch land. There is no firm in the valley that can offer so varied a list of desirable ranch land both here and in the upper portion of the state and they have the very lowest prices in the property they handle. Inquires addressed to the Syndicate, Monrovia, California, will receive prompt attention.

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Rev. D.R. Colmery, late of Long Beach returned Saturday from a trip to Oregon and has taken up his place in Monrovia. Mr. Colmery, it is remembered purchased property this summer and will build a fine home on Myrtle just south of W.N. Monroe's home place. He is here in ____ secure a vote for Harrison and _____.

THE RALLY

A Big Meeting for Monrovia on the 19th.

Preparations are going handsomely forward for the Republican meeting to be held here on Friday night, the 19th. There will be clubs from all the surrounding towns. Good music, both vocal and instrumental will be furnished. The committee on arrangements has not yet reported, so we can not say in what manner the visiting delegates will be entertained, further that there will be a lunch served and everybody made to enjoy themselves as they always do in Monrovia. The following letter has been received from Sierra Madre:

To the Secretary of the Monrovia Republican Club.

DEAR SIR: Your communication of the 5th instant in regard to the rally was laid before the club Saturday night and the club voted unanimously to accept the invitation. Sierra Madre is alive to the situation and the vote is nearly solid for Harrison and Morton and Protection. Thanking you for the neighborly courtesy. I am

Yours truly,
M.W. Copps, Secretary

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NOTICE

All persons indebted to J.M. Matlock at the city cigar store, corner Myrtle and Orange Avenues, will please call and settle before November 1st.

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FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS

Lessons given in the art of dress cutting, at fourth cottage above White Oak on Myrtle Avenue. Also stamping done. Embroidery materials on hand.

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FREE LECTURE

Mrs. M.E. Bucknell, M.D. will give a free lecture at Barnes' hall on Saturday night of this week, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. She is an interesting speaker and should have a large audience.

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The ten acres known as the Mullally ranch, located south of the railroad between here and Duarte, has been sold to a Milwaukee gentleman. It was owned by the Johnson brothers. We did not learn the consideration.

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The time will soon come when the canyons and higher valleys of the sierra Madre mountains will be alive with people who seek them to breathe their pure air. The winter climate of these protected nooks is as perfect as can be found anywhere and the few hardy rancho men who now inhabit them will not be allowed a monopoly of this healthful climate.

FASHION NOTES

Manufactories are combining jet beads with steel and also with crystal beads that are gold in the center in the trimmings which are being prepared for the autumn.

As the word suede, describes a color, it seems to many to be somewhat indefinite, it may be well to say that it is as a tan brown of any shade seen in the Swedish undressed kid gloves.

India pongee gowns more and more the rage and is used indifferently for gowns, hats, wraps or blouses, which are usually trimmed with a sharply contrasting dark hue.

A very new and very French fancy for waist trimming is a corselet of wide ribbon, not fitted but held in place by pins and ending in a knot and long end to fall over the skirt.

Green Trimmings are favored upon black hats and are not confined to ribbon, but appear as foliage clusters, grasses and vines, short ostrich tips and clusters of cock's plumes.

Draws come just at the knee and are five-eighths of a yard wide and the most stylish models have the trimming curved up at the outer seam, where a bow of ribbon is often set.

Trained petticoats are no longer worn, as dress skirts are finished now with lace which take the folds of the outer garment as no separate skirt could.

Mull and batiste lined or specked with scarlet or deep blue is made into gowns, chemises or short petticoats for very young women and for invalids, is better than pure white, as it does not look so rumpled after an hour's wear.

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The Pasadena papers report that the laying of the iron on the branch of the rapid transit has begun.

PROSPERITY

The Guardian Goddess of the Foothill City

The times in which fanciful and high-flown statements in regard to towns and localities could be tolerated are fortunately past. Such a way of booming a place was not in good taste and was far more likely to work injury rather than benefit. A plain and truthful presentation of facts, such as will appeal to the reason rather than to the fancy, is the only proper course for a newspaper to preserve its reputation for veracity.

Such a course has always been the aim of the *Messenger* to follow, and we have never made a statement in regard to Monrovia, which the facts did not warrant. Of course there are some features of our grand country, which cannot be expressed by facts and figures such as the climate and the scenery for instance.

It is but natural that one who has a love for the beautiful and the perfect in nature should enthuse when writing on these subjects and we have frequently done so. But such writing is not boom writing, for no word portraiture of our scenery, however fanciful it may be, could convey to the reader a just conception of the reality. It surpasses description, just as the best thoughts fail to be fully expressed by language, which serves rather to hide their beauty. Nor could any praise of the climate of Southern California do justice to its perfection, its power to restore health and therefore to add a blessing to the lives of those who live here. But as attractive as are these features they do not make up the sum total of Monrovia's claim to popular favor. In fact, the progress that our city has made has been so marked that the press of Southern California has almost unanimously point to it as the most phenomenal instance on record. In the brief space of scarce more than two years the town has gained standing that is an undeniable proof of its future importance. With fine buildings of every kind – business blocks, residences, schools, churches, etc., with well graded streets, a sewer system assured, as well as protection from fire; with a water supply and system that is not surpassed in the valley; with climate conditions of the very best, and with splendid railroad facilities, having two roads to the metropolis of Southern California, there cannot fail to be a continuation of the prosperity that has made the town what it is.

The fictitious era has passed, but it brought to us all these splendid improvements which we have outlined. Property values have reached their legitimate level. New enterprises are being conceived and there is ready the energy and the capital to materialize them. There is a promising interest being manifested in bringing into cultivation the surrounding lands, which have heretofore, been permitted to lie idle and this will be continued rapidly and will prove to be a source of wealth to the community. There is no place in the United States that can at all compete with Southern California, and especially this valley, in productiveness and it would be more buncombe for anyone to claim that

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the progressive people of this age will not develop these agricultural possibilities to their utmost.

These conditions are sure to bring large numbers of people into the valley who come solely for the business advantages that are offered, and they will be of that progressive class there is a still larger contingent that must come, people who cannot endure the rigors of the colder regions, and who find here just the conditions that restore and continue health to them. These people are usually of the class that are possessed of a competency and their presence will add to the general business of the country.

For those who thus come seeking health Monrovia has special inducements to offer. While all the valley is favorable in this regard the higher altitudes are especially so. It is on the foothills (and Monrovia is the only foothill city west of the San Gabriel river) that the greatest restorative effects are experienced because of the dryer and more invigorating atmosphere, the greater absence of fogs, the purer water, and the incentives to invalids to pass their time out of doors, enjoying the sunshine and the balmy air. Therefore Monrovia will always prove a favored resort for such people and the fame of its healthfulness will increase.

Looking to the future from an honest, unprejudiced standpoint, there is every encouragement. This foothill city cannot fail to become one of the leading towns of this sunland. We presume there are none who doubt this, nor should there be any who are dissatisfied. While the few months proceeding the election have been quiet in a business way, so it has been over the entire country. The revival is at hand and our town is destined to move onward with a steady, substantial progress. Let each one take heart of hope, for the future is pregnant with success.

MONROVIA SOCIAL CLUB

In response to the call published one week ago there met at the Grand View Hotel parlors on Tuesday night a large number of the young people of the city, both married and single, to organize a social union. The meeting was called to order and I.N. Inskeep was elected chairman for the evening and Miss Lottie Green secretary. Mr. Inskeep stated that the object of the meeting was to foster sociability in Monrovia and to provide intellectual entertainment for the young people. The election of permanent officers was then proceeded with, with the following results:

President - Professor J.A. Foshay

First Vice-President - J.W. Harvey

Second Vice-President - Miss Crawford

Secretary - Mrs. W.H. Cook

Treasurer - J.R. Davis

Committees were appointed as follows:

Finance - J.R. Davis, Mrs. C.P. Graves, W.E. Pile

Refreshments - Mrs. C.C. Hotchkiss, Mrs. E.S. Armstrong, Mrs. McClelland, George O. Monroe, T.H. Parker

Reception - Mrs. M.S. Monroe, Mrs. J.A. Foshay, Miss Addie Bowerman, Miss Lottie Green

Constitution - Frank Kasson, J.D. Slemons, Professor Foshay

Providing Hall - I.N. Inskeep, M.S. Monroe, J.R. Davis

It was voted to style the society the "Monrovia Social Club."

It was decided that meetings be held every second Friday night, the next meeting to be on Friday night, October 26th.

The chairman then announced a short program would be rendered. The first feature was a piano duet by Misses Lottie Green and Addie Bowerman, which was very finely executed.

An essay on the "Sociability" was read by Frank Kasson and a motion prevailed that it be published. The essay was as follows:

SOCIABILITY

Mankind is instinctively gregarious. People of all ages have congregated together in communities, in villages and in cities. Except in rare instances, no greater punishment could be inflicted upon a human than to consign him to absolute solitude. Man has an

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irrepressible desire for companionship with his fellow creatures, and it is this desire that has, perhaps, been the most potent of all influences in accomplishing the great civilization, which he has attained.

The strongest and most sacred of social ties are embodied in the word – home. The head of the family with mother, brothers and sisters unite themselves with an invisible chain which restraints each individual from yielding to ignoble impulses and from doing wrong acts, which would shadow the smiles of others of the charmed circle, and thus home is beautified and made the fountain head of refining influences, the center from which emanates all that is pure and noble.

Home is the ideal, the real type upon which all social conditions are fashioned. The ties that exit between kith and kin, however, have not filled full the measure of desire for companionship, and we have communities of home. The pleasure that is gleaned from the company of one another has resulted in the creation of social institutions, societies of various kinds and numerous devices for allowing people to gather together, both for amusement and instruction.

Led by this desire to become more intimately acquainted, the young people of Monrovia have congregated here tonight for the purpose of organizing a society which shall call them frequently together. Nor is the object that of affording mere pastime, but of mutual improvements as well. The design, as I understand it, is to turn the attention of the members into an intellectual channel, to aid in the development of the musical and literary talent which each may possess, rather than to make it a mere fashion fiasco, and what more worthy application could be made of this innate tendency to sociability?

It is natural in communities made up of strangers, as Monrovia has been, and where there are but small chances for becoming acquainted that people should fail to understand one another and that prejudices without foundation should be formed. One result of this organization will be to dissipate such ideas, especially among its members. We may make this society a social success, a source of social benefit to all, if each will but enter into the true spirit of its organization with a ready and willing zest.

A song by Professor Foshay followed, and the Professor always entertains his listeners. This closed the program and the names of those who wished to join were enrolled, 48 in all. The meeting was closed by all joining in singing “Away Down Upon the Swanee River.”

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The interest that was shown assures a fine success for the club, and in addition to furnishing entertainment it will serve to break down the social exclusiveness that the lack of acquaintance was beginning to create.