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Have you registered?

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New goods have arrived at Evans & Co.

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Buy your diamonds of Cronenwett, the jeweler.

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Our rock bottom prices catch them all. Monroe & Crews.



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Trim up your pepper trees. They will grow faster and look better.

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Renaker keeps a full line of fishing tackle, baseballs, etc.

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Home made lard at valentine & Co.'s.

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There were about forty Odd fellows of Monrovia Lodge in the Los Angeles procession.

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Why can Cooke sell groceries lower than nay other grocer in town? Because he sells for cash.

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Lesley F. Gay, of this city, who has been ill for some weeks at Long beach, is recovering.

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Fresh fruits, ice cold soda at the popular Grocery, Myrtle Avenue. Monroe & Crews

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No percentage to pay on bad bills at Cooke's cash grocery store; he sells for cash only.



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Mrs. S. Keefer returned from the east a few days ago, accompanied by her brother.

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Frank Kasson, of the *Messenger*, accompanied by his family, is enjoying himself at Long Beach this week.

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All ladies are invited to inspect the Domestic sewing machine at Large & Wheeler's.

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Rev. T.E. Robinson, the newly appointed pastor of the M.E. Church, arrived from Santa Barbara yesterday.

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General Pile realized \$12 a ton for the grapes of his vineyard south of Monrovia. They were fine grapes and a heavy crop.

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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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Captain C.L. Hunter, who met with such a severe accident about five weeks ago, is around again, although not without crutches.

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There has been a number of persons seeking after property this week. While some want town property, others want ranches.

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The city tax collector has a notice in this issue. He wants you to be prompt in paying your taxes. He may be found at W.N. Monroe's office after October 1<sup>st</sup>, between the hours of 8 and 12 a.m. and 1 and 5 p.m.

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Mrs. D. Broadwell, of Mount Vernon, Ohio, a cousin of A.E. Cronenwett, visited Mr. and Mrs. Cronenwett during the past week. The lady has been engaged to teach in the public schools in Los Angeles.

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Mr. Pavey, of the Sunny Slope winery treated the visiting Odd Fellows to some of the best wine contained in the winery, on their return from Monrovia. He not only gave them all they wanted to drink at the time, but bottles to carry home with them.

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A party of Monrovians, consisting of G.W. Cook and wife, M.S. Monroe and wife, Mrs. A.E. Cronenwett, Mrs. Broadwell, and J.S. Keefer, took a trip last Saturday from San Pedro to Catalina Island, in Mr. Keefer's yacht, the La Belle. The trip was a very rough one on the way over, and nearly all persons on board were seasick, but the return trip on Monday was very enjoyable.

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The young daughter of Mrs. Wardall, Duarte, who had her arm broken a few days ago, is getting along nicely.

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A.E. Cronenwett will move into his new store on the first of October. He has had it fitted up in fine shape.

K. T. Hotchkiss and family, who have been here during the past summer are going back to Iowa, but expect to return.



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172 scholars are attending the Monrovia public schools at present. A large increase over the number in attendance at the close of the last term.

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You have only two more days in which to register. If you wish to vote - and who does not – do not delay an hour longer. C.A. Campbell or E.W. Little will attend to it for you.

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Miss Crawford, one of the public school teachers, who was ill last week owing to the fatigue caused by the long journey from New York, was able to take charge of her school this week.

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A number of articles, such as tablecloths, carving knives and forks, etc., were lost from the Monroe block the day of the Odd Fellows' reception. Those who have them please return to the Marshall.

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Santa Ana's evaporating establishment, it is said, talks of closing down and moving away, because the proprietor gets no encouragement to remain. Such an establishment is badly needed in Monrovia. Cannot we induce the gentleman to come here.

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General Pile laid on our desk one day this week a sample of tomatoes that surpasses anything we have seen heretofore. The variety is new here and is known as the Mikado. They are very large and solid and contain but few seeds.

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H.A. Unruh and wife, Mr. McLellan and wife, and Miss Stone of Arcadia greatly assisted the Monrovia reception committee last Thursday. As the train passed through Arcadia on its return, each visitor was presented with a bouquet of flowers. The flowers were beautiful and highly appreciated.

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A rousing Republican meeting was held at Sierra Madre on Tuesday evening. The Monrovia Glee Club was invited to sing, but could not attend. We believe the vote in that precinct stands Republican 61, Democrat 15, and Prohibition 1. It is wondered when it comes to voting whether the latter will have the courage of his convictions.



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A.H. Smith and wife, who left here last June for Northern Iowa, have returned and will remain. It is the way with almost everybody who goes back east with the intention of staying. When they are there for a few weeks or months there is a longing to be back neath the blue skies of this sunny Southland.

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The county clerk must place the Great Register in the hands of the printer, so as to have it done in time for the election, therefore the registering of names will close this week. Why delay any longer. There will be three times the number of voters this year that there was four years ago, the number reaching about \$30,000.

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Hon. E.F. Spence, president of the Granite Bank, has gone east to attend the Bankers' convention. He took with him a large number of copies of the special edition of the *Messenger*, which he will judiciously distribute. He considers it the best advertisement Monrovia ever had. 'Tis pleasing to know that our labors have been appreciated.

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“On the evening of the 25<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Professor Arbeely, of Damascus, Syria, will deliver two free lectures on ‘The Wandering Sons of Ishmael or the Bedouin Arabs’ and ‘Domestic Life in Rural Palestine.’ The Professor lived for many years in that interesting land. And his discourses will be full of information.” – *Los Angeles Express*  
Arbeely is a resident of Monrovia

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Twenty-three members of Marion Canton, of Marion, Indiana, were in Monrovia last Thursday. These gentlemen won the first prize of \$2,000 at Cincinnati two months ago and are therefore considered better at drill than any canton in the United States. They are all old friends of J.M. Thomas who did much to make their visit here a pleasant one. They were members of past Grand Sire Undewood's staff.

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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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REMOVED

Miss Beck's dress-making parlors to Myrtle Avenue, fourth cottage above White Oak.

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**FOR SALE**

Horse, harness and buckboard or would trade for good cow. Also bedstead and mattress, chairs and safe, etc.

G.W. McCabe, Monrovia, Cal.



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#### CARD OF THANKS

Monrovia Lodge 330 I.O.O.F. extends their thanks to the citizens of Monrovia, especially the ladies and the city Marshall, E.P. Herbert for their kind assistance in entertaining the visiting Odd Fellows on September 20, 1888.

L.T. Graves, Secy.

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#### OFFER EXTRAORDINARY

Any person who after this date shall build a residence to cost not less than \$1,000 in the territory adjacent to the line of the San Gabriel Valley Rapid transit Railway will be entitled to a free pass over said road, good for one year from this date. The distance of the residence from the road is immaterial, so long as the builder finds occasion to travel over said road and the offer is to all residents of the valley from Duarte to Los Angeles.

W.N. Monroe  
General Manager  
Monrovia, September 6, 1888

**BOND TO SELL**

**Gent's Furnishing Goods at Cost**

In order to make room for my fall goods I am offering the balance of gent's furnishings at cost consisting of 10 dozen over shirts at 50 cents and upwards, 10 dozen undershirts and drawers from \$1, a suit up, 20 suits of fine Balbriggan \$1.75, suit worth \$2.50, 15 suits of fine canton flannel very cheap, 2 dozen pairs Sampson overalls at 65 cents a pair, 2 dozen jeans pants at \$1 per pair, 12 dozen kid and buck skin gloves from 80 cents up, cotton are pants for \$1.10, 10 dozen hats from 50 cents up, black silk plug hats from \$5 up, Norwood fine dress shirt open front for \$1.60, Sell at \$2, fine white shirts from 75 cents to \$1. First class fitting suits made to order at living prices. You will find it to your advantage to call and see me.

D. Nicholson, The Merchant Tailor

## DEATH OF MISS LIZZIE T. COLCORD

Through not altogether unexpected the death Miss Lizzie T. Colcord, sister of Rev. D.H. Colcord, which occurred on Friday evening the 21<sup>st</sup> instant cast a sad gloom over the city. She was born in Danvers, Massachusetts on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April 1849 and was therefore at the time of her death 39 years 5 months and 8 days old. She was the youngest daughter of Eben Payson and Sarah (Towne) Colcord. While attending the high school she was called upon at the age of 16 to teach in her native district and showed such aptitude for the work that save for one more term in the high school and a term in the Salem normal school she continued teaching almost exclusively in Danvers till her health failed more than ten years ago. Since then she has been an invalid she always strongly attached her scholars to herself. Before coming to California in December 1886 she had spent for some years a part of the time with her brother in Bedford, New Hampshire to avoid the severe climate of the seacoast. Her doctors thought that another winter in New England would be more than she could bear so she accompanied her brother and his family to California.

Hoping for an added term of years to her life. After a few weeks in Los Angeles and two months in Sierra Madre she came to Monrovia to live in March 1887 and she seemed to have gained much in health being able again to resume church attendance Sunday school work and enter somewhat into social life. Few knew how much of an invalid she still was or how many added charms in life here came to her from its contrast with the preceding years last winter her health began to fail again and though able to ride out till within a week of her death. She was laying aside one by one the little activities she had entered upon and calm brave and patient she faced the coming death with Christian hope and fortitude and so fell asleep.

Miss Colcord was one of the first members of the Congregational Church in this place taking a letter from the First Congregational Church of Danvers, Massachusetts with which she had been connected for years and her Christian character was well rounded.

The funeral services were conducted at her home on Palm Avenue on Monday at 3 p.m. Rev. E.E.P. Abbott of Sierra Madre. After reading the scripture lesson he spoke tenderly and helpfully on "God, the God of the Living." After the prayer the quartet sang. "My God, My Father, While I Stray" & C. and the services closed with the benediction.

The remains were sent back to rest with kindred dusts in Danvers \_\_\_\_\_ the brother and sister living here \_\_\_\_\_ are two brothers and one sister living in Massachusetts. Miss Colcord loved all beautiful things. The flowers the birds, the mountains and the valley were a constant delight. She was touched by the kindly courtesies shown her so constantly by the many friends here and spoke gratefully many times of their thoughtful

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sympathy. Loving hands brought a profusion of flowers to place about her on the last day though feeling sure that she had already entered into the more beautiful land into whose spirit and life she had entered here on faith.

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Monrovia needs a Board of Trade.

## WOULD RATHER BE AT HOME

S.E. Russell, of Duarte, who went back to Iowa to visit this old home, relatives and friends, writes to the *Messenger* as follows:

Searsborough, Iowa, September 15

DEAR SIR:

I am very much pleased with the paper and it gives me a great deal of pleasure to read the news about Monrovia and vicinity. I wish you and the town of Monrovia much success. Since I left there on the tenth of last May I have traveled a long ways but I have not seen any place I like any better than on the Duarte and in Monrovia. There are very good crops in eastern Iowa this year and very few hard storms; some hot days and nights but generally a pleasant summer. I hear that fruit was cheap and very plentiful in California this season. I think someone makes money on the California fruit. The price they asked for it in Davenport, Iowa was awful. Peaches, one and two for 5 cents; pears the same; nectarines, 6 for 10 cents and Sweet water grapes 15 cents per pound; and I did not see any what I called No.1. How many times I said to the people that I would just like to set a basket of our choice fruit down for them to eat just as, we pick it off the trees when nice and ripe. There are a good many inquiring of me about Southern California. I think there will be a great many going out there next winter. I have talked with several that say they are going there. I see by a short item are going there. I see by a short item in the *Messenger*

That a man from Iowa gave that part of California quite a send off in the way that he liked the fruit and climate in Monrovia, but had not sampled the wine, as he was from the prohibitory state of Iowa. Well, if he was from that temperate state I don't think he or any one would have any trouble to get to sample all the liquors he or they would want in Davenport, for the three weeks I was visiting relatives there I wished more than once that they were as much opposed to the traffic in beer and liquors as they are in the town of Monrovia. For shame on a state that will pass a law that is not enforced, only in a few localities.

### A PASADENA PARTY

A large party of young people started from Pasadena last Monday evening for a horse back ride. The trip was to Monrovia via Baldwin's ranch. On reaching their destination the time was passed pleasantly in dancing, songs, music, at the Grand View hotel, after which an elegant supper was served. The party returned to Pasadena about two o'clock next morning, feeling none the worse for the ride with the exception of Miss M. Daniels, who was thrown from her horse but sustained no injury with the exception of a violent shaking up. The party consisted of ten couples, and was gotten up in honor of Miss H. Lamson, one of the favorites of Pasadena, who shortly will leave for Europe to finish her musical education in Berlin. The following ladies and gentlemen composed the party: The Misses May Cooley, Bessie Howard, Susie Carter, and G. Barnes. E. Fish, H. Lawson, M. Daniels, Ethel Graham, S. Groemendyke, Messrs. W.F. Weatherby, E.G. Judah, J.F. Blake, W. Rodman, L. Blackman, W. Barnes, F. Brandi, M.L. Fish, W.G. Hill, C.J. Crandall - *Tribune*



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Twelve dozen chickens to sell. Household and kitchen furniture to be sold in next ten days, one mile south of Monrovia on Stevens tract.

K.T. Hotchkiss

#### I.O.O.F. Guests

They Were Feted and feasted and Driven Over the Valley.

Last Thursday was the date affixed for the excursion to Monrovia of the members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd fellows, then in session at Los Angeles. The program issued by the executive committee of the order had given special prominence to this excursion, which, we believe was the only free excursion and banquet given by any of the towns in Southern California, and as such was a high tribute to the public spirit and generosity of the citizens of Monrovia.

The managers of the Rapid Transit road had courteously placed a train at the disposal of the visitors and issued free tickets to those who chose to come. The train left the Mission Road station at about 10 o'clock and was crowded to its utmost capacity, fully 500 excursionists being on board, and even then there were at least 200 left at the depot, the rush being so much greater than had been anticipated or provided for. Arriving at the Monrovia depot, there were conveyances in waiting sufficient to accommodate all. The procession moved up Olive to Myrtle and north on that street, reaching from Olive to White Oak. A short drive was given the guests through the upper part of the town, but by 12 o'clock all had returned and met at the banqueting rooms in the Monroe and Spence buildings at the corner of Palm and Myrtle.

The rooms, of which there were two, had been arranged by the ladies and reflected much credit on their skill and taste. One of the rooms was prepared by the married ladies, under the direction of Mrs. W.N. Monroe, while the other was the handiwork of the unmarried ladies under the leadership of Mrs. W.E. Little. There was a friendly rivalry between the two forces, each aiming to outdo the other. The entrances were guarded by palm and banana trees, and on either side were a number of large squashes, one of which weighed 170 pounds. Inside the room a scene of beauty greeted those who entered. The windows were arranged with great piles of fruit and rare plants from the nursery of R.H. Wilson, the combined effect being exceedingly pleasing. The walls were decorated with palms, branches of pepper trees, evergreens and mottoes. There were greetings of various designs, all expressing a cordial welcome. Mrs. Foshay had painted for the married ladies room an all-seeing eye, which was finely executed. In the single ladies room was a picture of two hands met in cordial clasp, from the pencil of Miss Jennie Shrode of Duarte, which was, no less finely executed. In the former room was a stand above which was no less finely executed. In the former room was a stand above which appeared "The Messenger," wrought in Marguerites, and from which copies of the illustrated edition of the *Messenger* were freely distributed. Behind the stand was a sample of maize from the farm of James Applegate. One of the stalks was 180 inches in height and had been planted just ninety days when cut, making a growth of two inches a day. It bore two mammoth ears.

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But the center of attraction was the tables. Each room was provided with three tables extending the full length of the room. These were laden with a most tempting spread. There were sandwiches and cakes, several varieties of grapes, peaches, pears and apples, pomegranates, figs and oranges, watermelons, etc., while as a beverage there was provided the pure, cool water from the mountains. There was also a profusion of flowers, the entire scene suggesting a tropical feast.

After the guests had taken their places around the tables, in the single ladies' room an address of welcome was made by General Pile, master of ceremonies. He welcomed the visitors on behalf of the citizens of Monrovia, Duarte and Arcadia and said the people were glad to welcome them to share their hospitality, to have them see our grand old mountains and the loveliest valley in all the world, as the people here believed. He spoke of the noble work of the order which the visitors represented and in referring to the motto, "friendship, love and truth," said while in young towns there were usually jealousies and bickering, here we were all united in a strong bond of friendship, that we loved our town and our valley and the visitors who came to see us, and that we never, even when selling real estate told anything but the truth. He again bade them a hearty welcome and announced that the program was to eat, drink and be merry. In the married ladies' room a prayer was made by Rev. George B. Rieman and followed by an address of welcome by General Pile, similar to that just synopsised, the sentiments uttered being heartily encored in both rooms.

The repast was evidently heartily enjoyed by the visitors, who were enthusiastic over the fine fruits, such a profusion of fruits being a luxurious novelty to most of them. If we may be allowed to so compliment the efforts of our own people, the repast was as complete a success in every particular, as it was ever our pleasure to enjoy.

The handsomely decorated rooms of the Masonic lodge were open during the day for the reception of the brethren of the order. There were two returning trains, one leaving at two and the other at four o'clock, a stop of twenty minutes being made at the Sunny Slope winery. Those of the odd Fellows who visited Monrovia will return to their homes with a far better idea of Southern California than could have been gained staying in Los Angeles or visiting the beach, and we are certain that all enjoyed themselves and will be better satisfied with their western trip because of having seen the Gem of the foothills.

#### MONROVIA FRUIT PRESERVING CO.

The above named company has commenced operations and is now busily engaged in putting up a superior quality of tomatoes. Their place of business is on Lemon Avenue, in the rear of Wells Fargo & Co. office. Messrs. Barnes and Huntley are the principal gentlemen interested in the enterprise, and although they start on a small scale, it is hoped that the business will grow to be one of the leading industries in this part of the valley. There is plenty of chance for an extension of the business, as in another year they could procure all the tomatoes they desire. Once let the people know that they could find a market for this article and it would be grown extensively. They were later than expected in getting started; therefore a large portion of their crop was spoiled. It is not only their intention to can tomatoes, but also to put up different kinds of fruit. They have the promise of assistance in the way of capital to enlarge their business before next season, and we doubt not that from this small acorn a sturdy oak will grow. One pleasing feature about this new enterprise is that the tomatoes were grown in Monrovia, the cans were made here, the labels were printed at the Messenger office, the whole thing is a home production. The only thing to do now is for us to eat them at home. We understand the price will be placed very low. Ask your grocer for them.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT WANTED

The matter of placing the bonds, voted recently, should be attended to right away. It would give us much cheaper insurance and provide the protection from fire, which would more than equal the amount of added taxation. The following letter, from the branch office of the Pacific Insurance Union, in answer to one written by a local agent, speaks for itself:

“We understand your town is without a fire department or fire extinguishing facilities. Town in like condition have been specially rated and rates published much higher than the tariff, owing to the utter lack of fire extinguishing facilities and for the purpose of inducing citizens to exert themselves in that direction. Should your town be supplied at some future time with good water supply for fire purposes and fire department, we will take pleasure in publishing special rates for same.”

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Talk about Alfalfa! A.C. Thompson, of Duarte, has five and a half acres, from which he has just cut fourteen tons of as good hay as was ever seen. Who can beat this record?



## A PARK

We would like to suggest that a petition be circulated asking the city council to provide a public park or square near the center of the city. We believe such a petition would secure the signature of every taxpayer in Monrovia. The park should be as near the center of the town as possible and if a tract be secured that already has live oak trees upon it, so much the better. A block or even a half-block would be sufficient and could doubtless be procured at a minimum price. It would require but a short time to beautify such a spot with trees and plants and it could afford a resort in which all would take great delight. It would also provide a place for public meetings, picnics and the like, to say nothing of a promenade for the young folks or a resting-place for those of mature years. We are told that the band would give free open-air concerts two or three times a week if a favorable spot to hold them were provided. Let us have the park, by all means, because it would add so much to the appearance of our town and the comfort of the citizens.

We have frequently referred to the benefit which, would accrue from the formation of a board of trade in Monrovia. It would give character to the efforts to attract people and business here and by reason of the more united action that would be secured would be productive of better results. It would relieve the burden of the labor of the few and by influencing a greater number to work for the town would cause the necessary expenses to fall lightly upon all. But we need not enumerate the advantages; they are apparent to all. Now in the beginning of the prosperity that 1888-9 is destined to bring is an excellent time to institute its formation. We hope the businessmen of Monrovia will think favorably of this matter and act promptly.

## THE RAPID TRANSIT BRANCH

A Pasadena Union reporter went over the route of the Rapid Transit road now being graded around the Raymond hill. He found that a large force was busily engaged in the work, but that and filling from the old ranch house to Raymond station is very heavy. The distance is a little over 3,000 feet, and he took the trouble to examine the grade stakes along the distance. At the terminus of the surveyed route, just east of the tank at Raymond station, the grade reaches the surface of the ground, but running from there to where the first heavy work is encountered, near the reservoir, south of the Raymond, the grade varies from one foot cutting to as high as twenty five feet, for about 1,000 feet it will average nearly twenty feet, and where the arroyo is crossed there is a fill of as nearly as great height. Here a very substantial brick culvert is being put in, being nearly ten feet in width. This thousand feet of track is about as expensive as any to be found on any road in this section, except in heavy mountain work.

The work is being done in a very substantial manner, and judging from the excavation in the cuts, the company evidently is preparing for the contingency of a double track. The work on this route is more expensive than that of the California Central railroad on the West Side of the hill, but the grade will be much lighter.

As a pointer toward the solution of the question of how the road will get into Pasadena, it may be mentioned that some of the men in charge of the work were observed last week making a close examination of the track of that road in connection with employees of Altadena company. This may have no connection with their contemplated route into the city, but for a man looking through the branches of a tree it looks somewhat that day.