

amount to \$25,000, and are principally due to the Directors. At the mill at the Point there are employed regularly fifty men, and at times double that number are required. The company transacts a large amount of business in Oakland, but fills numerous orders from all parts of the State. The Directors are as follows :

J. W. Pearson, President, M. D. Townsend, Treasurer,
W. A. Bolinger, Secretary, P. M. McLaren, Purchasing Agent.

The General Superintendent in Oakland is P. R. Cunningham; and at Pigeon Point, Collins Crane.

THE VENUS FLOURING MILLS are located on Third street, south side, between Broadway and Franklin streets, and are owned by Carrick & Warner. The mills contain two run of stones, and have a capacity of 100 barrels of flour per day. The line of the Central Pacific Railroad is but two blocks distant, so that the products of the San Joaquin Valley can be brought almost to the doors of the mill by rail. The proximity to the wharves is another advantage of the location, rendering it convenient to receive grain from the small vessels that navigate the Bay.

There are in the city numerous minor establishments deserving of passing notice. Adjoining the Oakland Planing Mills is Blair's stair-building shop, in which is prepared nearly all of the stair-building required in the city. In the same block is Scoville's machine shop, for the manufacture and repair of carriages, wagons, and farming implements.

The Oakland Tannery, located on the Bay shore, about two miles north of the old charter line, is owned by Wm. Watts. The speciality is the manufacture of the finer kinds of calfskin, for boots and shoes, and the principal market for which is in San Francisco.

POPULATION, 1870 and 1872.

The Federal Census of 1870 placed the population of the township of Oakland at 11,104, divided as follows: Native, 6,940; foreign, 4,164; or white, 10,142; colored, 55; Chinese, 906; Indian, 1. Of this aggregate, 10,500 are declared the population of the city, and the remainder, 600, represent the township outside the Charter limits. No official classification of the sexes and ages has been as yet published, and it is therefore impossible to compare the above figures with the returns of the school census of 1871 and 1872 and the data collected during the progress of the canvass for the present volume. In 1869, the total number of children of 15 years and under, according to the school census, was 2,144; 1870, 2,628; 1871, 2,952; 1872, 3,761.

The increase of children from July, 1870, to July, 1872, according to these returns, is 1,133, from which should be deducted 300, (the estimated number added to the School Census from a part of Temescal) leaving 833, or thirty-two per cent. This rate must not be taken as an average for the entire population, from the fact that the element over twenty does not increase in the same ratio as those under that age.

The number of names on the poll list for the present year is 2,800. The number of votes cast at the election of 1871 was: Oakland, 1,260; Point,