

The system of roads in East Oakland is quite complete, and the visitor can follow any road that he may observe without danger of being led into an unpleasant or dangerous locality.

The most important place of public resort, especially on Sundays, is Badger's Central Park, East Oakland, where there are highly ornamented grounds, a large pavilion for dancing, and all the attractions ordinarily found at public gardens. That the excellent roads in and around Oakland are appreciated by visitors, is attested by the fact that Oakland has eight large livery stables, all of them doing a prosperous business.

Lake Merritt, a beautiful sheet of water situated on the north side of Twelfth Street, east of Oak, is now used at all times for boating and yachting; a fine boat house has been erected on Twelfth Street for the convenience of those who seek health and pleasure by such exercise.

LOCAL INDUSTRIES.

Manufactories are keeping pace with other local industries in Oakland and vicinity. In value and importance they are second only to the commercial interests, which latter, however, are to a great extent prospective. A complete list of the manufacturing establishments of Berkeley appears in the statistics published elsewhere.

Three breweries, engaged in the manufacture of lager beer, have invested \$150,000; and the quantity of beer brewed per annum amounts to thirteen thousand barrels.

Oakland is the great manufacturing center for flour on the eastern side of the Bay of San Francisco. Three large mills turn out one hundred and seventy-five thousand barrels of flour per annum.

There are two Potteries and Terra Cotta manufactories in Oakland, which make sewer-pipe, tiles, condensers for quicksilver, etc. Thirty thousand dollars is invested in this business.

The Oakland Planing Mills, Pioneer Planing Mills, Grove Street, Enterprise, and Point Planing Mills, having invested half a million of dollars, have furnished, together with five lumber yards, nearly all of the lumber used in the construction of the eleven hundred buildings erected in Oakland during the year 1877.

One of the most extensive branches of home industries in Oakland is the canning of vegetables and fruits. J. Lusk & Co. have the monopoly of this business. They employ 300 hands during the business season, and supply a large portion of the demand for consumption on this coast.

The Pacific Jute Manufactory has a capital of \$1,000,000. This firm manufactures as high as 5,000,000 sacks per year.

Among other home industries is that of Blair's Stair Factory, and in the same building is the office of the California Building Company, which has a very large business in both city and county.

The Manhattan Marble Works are sending to every part of the Pacific Coast artificial mantle pieces, tiles, etc., handsome and durable, but in close imitation of the imported articles.

Within the past year the Pacific Cordage Works at Melrose have been purchased by the S. F. Cordage Company.

At Gordon's Manufactory is made all the artificial ice consumed in Oakland. Five tons are frozen daily at this establishment, and Mr. Gordon has \$20,000 invested in the business.

Three tanneries, in East Oakland, owned by John S. Derby, George F. Crist, and Beeger & Espenlaub, have materially enlarged their business transactions since the last statistics of their business were published in this directory.

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