

Carroll Cook, on Lake street and the shores of Lake Merritt, costing \$12,000.

George R. Lang, on East Fourteenth street, near Thirteenth avenue, costing \$7,000.

Dr. Pinkerton, on Thirteenth avenue, near East Twenty-sixth street, costing \$7,500.

P. M. Moe, on the corner of Harrison and Durant streets, costing \$6,000.

Mrs. Snowball, on Harrison street, near Durant, costing \$5,000.

Joseph Scotchler, on Central avenue and Chestnut street, costing \$3,700.

J. R. Cutting, on Chester street, near Ninth, costing \$3,500.

W. F. Boardman, on Grove street, near Seventeenth, costing \$3,500.

Prominent among the builders are John Ziegenbein who built about thirty houses during the year, the Real Estate Union which erected three first-class residences on Seventeenth street near Castro, four on Ninth between Oak and Madison, three on Jackson near Tenth, averaging in cost about \$5,000 each, besides several cottages.

James De Fremery, who built two large residences on Poplar street, near Fourteenth, costing \$4,000 each, and E. C. Sessions, who improved Highland Park, East Oakland, by the erection of four large residences, costing \$6,500 each.

Many other substantial improvements might be mentioned, as well as the names of other enterprising builders, but the above suffices to show that a good degree of enterprise prevails and that a fair number of costly and elegant houses have been erected.

Public Improvements, School Buildings, Etc.

The Hall of Records, described elsewhere, was built during the year at a cost of \$75,000. The public school facilities were increased by additions to the Prescott, the Franklin and the Lincoln school buildings at a cost of \$10,200, and affording an additional seating capacity of 595.

Four buildings designed for private educational purposes have been added to the already large facilities enjoyed by Oakland as an educational center. These are the English and Classical School building, erected at a cost of \$2000; the St. Anthony Society building, in East Oakland, costing \$4500; the new building of the Christian Brothers, costing \$4000, and that of St. Mary's, costing \$3000.

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