

## SAN MATEO

Is a small station on the line of the S. P. R. R.

It is in a fine agricultural section with a population aggregating about 400.

It has few business interests, is provided with two livery and feed stables, two general stores, two saloons, a restaurant, hotel, boarding house, tin shop, tailor, harness and blacksmith shop, also a drug store, butcher shop, paint shop, and carriage manufactory.

Alvinza Hayward, the successful mining operator, who was also a prominent business man of San Francisco, when that city was in its infancy, has made his home here, where he has a very fine residence, with tastefully laid out grounds.

There are three churches in the town, an Episcopal, Congregational and Catholic. Also good public schools.

The Episcopal Military School conducted by Mr. Brewer, is highly spoken of.

Miss Buckmaster's school for young ladies, is also a fine institution.

The *San Mateo Times*, a paper thoroughly alive to all neighborhood interests, is published here. The proprietor is an energetic business man, and a courteous gentleman.

From San Mateo the stage road follows the charming canyon of the San Mateo Creek, through the hills, four miles, to

## CRYSTAL SPRINGS,

Where a number of springs of clear, cold water break through the rocks.

These springs are one of the favorite resorts of San Franciscans. The approach is by a capital road, and the surrounding scenery is very fine.

From Crystal Springs the road passes over a spur of the Sierra Moreno to Half Moon Bay, or Spanish Town, as the village at that place is termed.

Nothing can exceed the exquisite beauty of the scenery and the grandeur of the view along this part of the road.

The Bay of San Francisco, the mountains and valleys of Alameda and Contra Costa, Monte Diablo, the smiling valley of Santa Clara, the valley of San Andreas, and the lovely Cañada del Ramundo are seen toward the East, while upon the West the traveler looks down upon the blue Pacific, the bold shores of San Mateo, and the distant mountains of Santa Cruz. The road winds along steep precipices, hundreds of feet in depth, and affords at every turn new and delightful views of the most pleasing scenery imaginable.

## HALF MOON BAY

Is about twenty miles North-west from Redwood City, on the opposite side of the Peninsula.

It is the shipping point for grain, and all kinds of produce and lumber, from this portion of the Coast to San Francisco.

It is forty-six miles South of San Francisco, and is of little importance as a harbor.

Spanish Town is quite a thriving little business place, located at the landing on this Bay.

From Spanish Town the road runs through the rich farming country of San Mateo, and along the shores of the Pacific, eighteen miles to Pescadero, crossing in its way numerous mountain streams, ascending and descending many bold hills, from which can be obtained a beautiful view of sea and land.

## PESCADERO

Is situated in the centre of a beautiful and productive little valley. It is sheltered by high, picturesque hills, is but a short distance from the ocean, and offers unlimited attractions to the tourist and health seeker.

The mountain streams in the vicinity swarm with trout; the forests which clothe the neighboring mountains, abound with game of every description, and the salmon trout and sea fish afford the best of sport to the angler.

The Pebble Beach is famous, and of wondrous beauty and brilliancy are the pebbles, agates, cornelians, opals, etc., found there.