

hundred and fifty feet from the shore, and wooden bulkheads sunk; the hills were then dug away and used in filling up the land surrounded by the bulkhead, until the entire space was raised some six feet above high tide—securing a firm and substantial foundation. Upon this, a brick building sixty feet wide and one hundred and seventy feet in length has been erected. This building is intended for the furnaces and offices of the superintendent and manager. To the west of this building, a gas tank forty feet deep with a circumference of ninety-six feet is being built. East of the brick edifice and fronting on the wharf, a coal dépôt is being erected. It is of wood, sixty-four feet wide, two hundred feet long, and fifty feet high. At the north end there will be a steam derrick with a platform forty feet square, upon which there will be two cars; when these cars are filled they can be elevated by means of the derrick to the top of the building, where tracks are laid on which they can be conveyed to any part of the building that is desired, there emptied and returned to the platform, thus saving a large amount of help in the handling of the coal. The carpenter work has been under the superintendence of Mr. W. J. Bowman, a mechanic of large experience. These buildings will be completed by the middle of March, 1865, at which time the company expect to furnish gas to our citizens.

BAY VIEW PARK.—This beautiful race course and park is situated on what is known as Hunter's Point, near the San Bruno Turnpike, about six miles south-east from the City Hall. The ground is reclaimed and protected from the tide by a break-water or bulkhead. A large and spacious hotel, with stables and outhouses attached, has been added, including the judges' stand and all modern improvements found upon first-class race courses in this country or Europe. A beautiful shell road is being built from near the Mission to the Park, about three miles in length, and will cost probably \$30,000. The Park is owned by a few private individuals (Geo. Hearst & Co.) and cost upwards of \$200,000. It is under the control and superintendence of Mr. W. F. Williamson, a gentleman thoroughly versed and competent for the position.

HAYES' PARK PAVILION AND GARDEN.—This public resort and promenade is situated about two miles south-west from the City Hall, and is easily accessible by the cars of the Market Street Railroad, and by private conveyances upon the various streets and avenues leading thereto. The Pavilion is a prominent and imposing structure, three stories in height, being ninety feet to the top of observatory. The main saloon or concert hall is one hundred and twenty feet by eighty feet (exclusive of a large stage), with a gallery three hundred and twenty feet in length running around the upper portion, being sufficiently wide for sitting, standing, or walking. A large and commodious refreshment room, together with an immense reception parlor, dressing rooms, billiard saloon, etc., etc., are in the same building. Attached to the Pavilion is a garden containing ten acres, laid out with walks ornamented with luxuriant shrubbery, trees, and flowers. There is also a shooting gallery, swings, apparatus for gymnastic exercises, etc. The cost of fitting this elegant resort up in its present style was not less than \$80,000, and is the property of Messrs. Thomas and Michael Hayes.

BUILDINGS.—Total number of buildings August, 1863, 13,393, of which 2,630 are of brick. Number erected from August, 1863, to August, 1864, estimated at 1,050, of which about 300 are of brick, making an aggregate in the city and county of 14,443, viz.: wood, 11,513; brick, 2,930.