

California among the old Californians and in the old days owned vast tracts of land in this county, which was then Santa Barbara county. Among the family holdings were the Siml and Tapo ranches, containing over 150,000 acres.

VENTURA PENCILINGS.

The owners of the Thompson rancho, a large part of which has recently been voted into the town limits, appeared before the Board of Town Trustees last evening asking the town to open several streets through some 200 acres of the rancho, or that part lying north of the Telegraph road. The owners desire, in their offer, the town to grant them the exclusive privilege of furnishing light, water and gas in the new addition. The board took the proposition under advisement for two weeks.

The second trial of Dolores Quintana is now on before the Superior Court. Quintana is being tried for the murder of Night Watchman McNaughton in Oxnard last March. It is well known that a man named Favella killed McNaughton and fled to Mexico. It is claimed that Quintana as an accomplice was equally guilty. The former trial resulted in a disagreement of the jury.

The will of the late Sherlock Bristol has been filed for probate. The estate is valued at \$3000, consisting of fifty acres of land and personal property worth \$300. One dollar each is bequeathed to the children of deceased, who are Charles E., residence unknown; Emma of Providence, R. I., Shirley of Montalvo, this county, Alice Bristol Chick of Los Angeles, Clare of St. Louis, Mo., Irving of Montalvo and Blanche Bristol Stubblefield of Pittsburgh. All the balance and residue of the estate is given to the widow.

The Board of Town Trustees has fixed the tax rate of the town very nearly the limit at \$1.30. Last year the rate was 95 cents on the \$100.

G. W. Chrisman has purchased the fine Orena ranch at the mouth of the Casitas pass. The rancho controls a splendid water right and includes some 600 acres, of which 200 is tillable. The balance is grazing and timber land with enough oak upon it to almost pay the amount Mr. Chrisman gave for the property, which was \$18,000.

REMAINS OF PIONEERS MOVED.

Caskets of Four Members of Ventura Family Are Disinterred and Put in Vault.

VENTURA, Oct. 3—An unusual proceeding took place yesterday at the Catholic Cemetery in the presence of City Clerk Isensee, Mayor Lewis and members of the old-time De la Guerra family. Mrs. Judge Sepulveda of the City of Mexico, who was Miss Erlinda de la Guerra, and her brother, Juan de la Guerra have been here for several days arranging for the removal of the bodies of four members of the family who died and were buried here. The remains were disinterred and taken to Santa Barbara, to be placed in the family vault there. These remains were those of the mother of the Ventura branch of the family, Mrs. Concepcion de la Guerra, who was aged 64 at the time of her death, in August, 1896; her son, Osbaldo de la Guerra, aged 44 years, who died April, 1899; a son, Pablo de la Guerra, aged 14 years, who died November, 1884; a son, José de la Guerra, aged 18 years, who died June, 1877. The family is one of the best known in