

Old Pease Building

The Pease building, now an addition to the Hotel St. George, giving that inn a Pacific Av. frontage of more than 240 feet, was erected way back yonder by Capt. Pease, long deceased. It was then a three-story structure, and commanding to look at, but unannounced and before daylight on the morning of April 18, 1906, one earthquake shook said third story so badly, or frightened said Pease so terribly that he ordered its immediate full story removal, and thus Architect Le Baron Olive saw one of the children of his brain decapitated.

From time to time this property changed hands, till finally, in exchange for San Jose improved real estate, it became the holding of Mrs. J. F. Simpson, who now sells it to the Hotelings, and where it promises to remain in perpetuity as an addition to the hotel named, and soon to be so changed as to lose its identity and to be unrecognizable by the "oldest inhabitant".

No one now resides with us who is remembered as a member of the honored family of Pioneer Pease, all, husband, wife, excepting a daughter,