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California Constitution
with Family Histories**

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Preface

In early 2020, the California Genealogical Society's librarian was cleaning out files in the library and unearthed a box containing a complete manuscript printout and a CD for a book on the signers of the California Constitution. The date on the CD was 2002. We decided to look at the manuscript and see if the material could still be published.

It took some digging into CGS history to find out who did the work and when. Through sleuthing, we discovered that the book was compiled and edited by Wayne Shepard using original research that had been done by George R. Dorman (1901–1983). In 1984, Mr. Dorman's entire collection was donated to CGS, the largest single gift to the library. Mr. Dorman, a CGS member for 47 years, served in various capacities on the Society's Board. A dedicated genealogist, his research on the signers of the California Constitution was published as a long-running series in the Society's newsletter and later in *The California Nugget*. Mr. Shepard worked with the Dorman material and corroborating sources to produce this manuscript. The Society had intended to publish and sell this document in book form. For various reasons, it was decided that this was not feasible, and the project was filed away in 2002.

But on reexamination, it was decided that there was still a lot of valuable information contained in these pages. And the Society no longer had to physically print the book; a PDF would do.

We are aware that the information in this book is out of date. This research was completed twenty to thirty years ago, pre-Internet. There are most likely some mistakes in it. More information has come to light with the advent of *Ancestry.com* and *FamilySearch*. But the book is still useful; it contains many references to older sources that may not be available online. It is still an amazing piece of scholarship. It might just provide a nugget of information to solve someone's problem or take someone on a new path. **So please use this book judiciously and check your sources.**

The Society hopes to update these profiles in the future and post more complete information. We invite readers to contact us with any

new information or corrections to the book. If you would like to volunteer to do some research for CGS, we would love to hear from you. Please send any feedback or updated information to publications@californiaancestors.org.

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The 1849 California Constitutional Convention

By Barbara E. Kridl with Evan R. Wilson

The events that led to the convening of a constitutional convention in California preceded the Mexican-American War of 1846 when California was part of Mexican territory. Prior to the war, many U.S. immigrants to the territory had advocated for revolt, some wanting statehood for California and others rallying for complete independence. This led to the short-lived Bear Flag Republic in 1846; however, with the outbreak of war, U.S. military forces soon moved in and occupied the major cities of California. After Mexico's defeat in 1848, it ceded its vast territory, which included the present-day states of Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and part of Colorado, as well as California, to the United States. The territory remained occupied and governed by the U.S. Army, under various military commanders, while Congress debated what to do with the newly acquired land. In the meantime, the local governments continued under the old Mexican legal system.

With the discovery of gold in 1848, new immigrants descended on California. The population was about 10,000 people as the gold rush hit and rapidly soared to as many as 100,000 by the end of 1850. The newcomers were unfamiliar with the local government and the legal system began to break down. Miners were forming their own courts to mete out justice. Various cities were setting up their own systems. Meanwhile the territory waited on Congress for a decision.

Meanwhile, Congress was so divided on the issue of slavery that it adjourned three times over the course of 1848–1849 without settling the status of California. Several cities began calling for a convention. Anticipating that California could soon become a state, the de facto military governor of California, Brevet Brigadier General Bennet Riley, finally acted on his own authority and called for a constitutional convention. His proclamation of June 3, 1849 outlined the selection of delegates from various districts across the territory. After some debate, seventy-three men were selected. Forty-eight delegates out of

the seventy-three eventually appeared in Monterey where the convention began at Colton Hall on September 1.¹

Of the forty-eight men profiled here,² thirty-eight were American-born and came from fifteen different states. Fifteen delegates came from Southern states and twenty-three from Northern. Five were foreign-born (France, Scotland, Switzerland, Ireland, and Spain), while five were native Californians. Some of the men had fought in the Mexican-American War, representing both sides.

The men ranged from age twenty-three to fifty-three with more than half under age forty and nine under thirty. There were fourteen lawyers, twelve ranchers, nine merchants, four military men, two surveyors, two printers, one banker, one physician, one man “of leisure,” and two of unknown professions. Thirty-three had been residents of the territory for fewer than three years.

Also profiled here are five men who were participants (but not signatories) in the convention: two secretaries, two chaplains, and a Spanish translator.

Robert Semple was elected as the president of the convention. In his inaugural speech, he stated:

It is important, then, in your proceedings you should use all possible care, discretion and judgment; and especially that a spirit of compromise should prevail in all your deliberations.³

Several of the delegates were prominent men of their districts and played significant roles in drafting the constitution. The delegates first had to decide whether to form a territorial or state government; by 28 to 8, they decided on a state government. One delegate, Morton McCarver, proposed that the committee use the Constitution of the State of Iowa as the basis for the proposed constitution, and William Gwin concurred because “it was one of the latest and shortest.”⁴ The

¹ J. Ross Browne recorded the entire convention in his *Report of the Debates* in 1850.

² A list of the men appears in Browne (1850), 478–479. The list shows age, where born, district, length of residence, and profession.

³ Browne (1850), 18.

⁴ *Ibid.*, 24.

Constitution of the State of New York was also significantly referenced.

The delegates tackled several controversial topics. William Shannon proposed a section prohibiting slavery in the state and, surprisingly, it was adopted without opposition. Immediately afterwards, McCarver proposed adding a clause to the same amendment stating that “the introduction of free negroes” to the state would also not be allowed. Many delegates condemned slavery and the presence of free Negroes⁵ in the same breath. Relying on a racist view of Black people as “well adapted to servitude,” in the words of O. M. Wozencraft, they claimed that both slaves and free Negroes would “degrade” white labor and society as a whole.⁶ Some delegates from mining districts, such as Sacramento and San Joaquin, worried that Southern slave owners would bring their slaves west to serve a year or two in the gold mines—enough time to make their masters a fortune—and then free them into the local communities.

Overall, the debate was hampered by the inability of most delegates to conceive of Black people as capable of acting as free, independent, and moral citizens. A handful spoke out against the idea of enshrining discrimination into the constitution of “the first great republican State on the borders of the Pacific,” in the words of Kimball Dimmick—who then added, “I have no partiality for the negro race. I have the same personal antipathies which other gentlemen avow.”⁷ The more “liberal” position, which finally won out, was simply to leave it up to the Legislature to exclude free Negroes from the state.⁸

In addition, there was intense feeling against corporations and banks. The Panic of 1837 had left a lasting impression and these

⁵ The terms “free Negroes,” “slaves,” “masters,” and other racist words were those used by the men at the 1849 convention. The conversations during the convention make for uncomfortable reading by a modern-day audience.

⁶ Browne (1850), 49 and 143.

⁷ Ibid., 141.

⁸ The first Legislature held in December 1849 finally affirmed the rights of free Negroes to enter the state. By 1852, there were only about 2,200 Black Americans in California.

entities were not highly regarded. Strong restrictions were placed on both.

The delegates also held quite strong and heated opinions on the status of women.⁹ A proposal to allow married women to hold separate property caused Henry Halleck to remark:

I am not wedded ... yet, to a woman; but having some hope that some time or other I may be wedded, and wishing to avoid the fate of my friend from San Francisco (Mr. Lippitt,) I shall advocate ... bachelors in this Convention to vote for it [as] I do not think we can offer a greater inducement for women of fortune to come to California. It is the very best provision to get us wives ...”¹⁰

But Charles Bott rejected it saying:

This proposition, I believe, is calculated to produce dissention and strife in families. The only despotism on earth that I would advocate, is the despotism of the husband. There must be a head and there must be a master in every household; and I believe this plan by which you propose to make the wife independent of the husband, is contrary to the laws and provisions of nature—contrary to all the wisdom which we have derived from experience.¹¹

Despite this, the proposal passed.

But the fixing of the eastern boundary of the new state generated the most division. Two groups backed different ideas: one for setting the boundary at the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the other advocating to keep the entire territory acquired from Mexico as one state. But the delegates knew that the U.S. Congressional debates over slavery and compromise might complicate the more expansive boundary proposal. Moreover, John Sutter remarked about the area east of the Sierra Nevada that:

... it is impossible ... to imagine what a great desert it is ... but there is such an immense space between us and that part of the

⁹ As with the discussions at the convention about Black Americans, the language used to describe women in 1849 was demeaning and sexist to present-day readers.

¹⁰ Browne (1850), 259.

¹¹ Ibid., 260.

country [Salt Lake], that I consider it of no value whatever to the State of California.¹²

The present-day boundary of California was established as the compromise. San Jose was selected as the capital.¹³

The new constitution guaranteed the right to vote to every white male citizen of the United States, and every white male citizen of Mexico who elected to become an American citizen. Curiously, the constitution allowed dueling to be punishable by the loss of the right to vote.¹⁴

The final constitution was signed, and the convention adjourned on October 13, 1849. On November 13, a vote was conducted by the electorate and the constitution was ratified, with 12,872 for and 811 against. The main opposition was from the Sacramento and San Joaquin districts.

At the first Legislature held on December 15, 1849 in San Jose, Peter H. Burnett was elected Governor, John McDougal (profiled here) as Lieutenant Governor, and John C. Fremont and William M. Gwin (profiled here) as Senators. The new senators were immediately dispatched to Washington, D.C., to advocate for the admission of California to the Union. California was finally admitted as a state on September 9, 1850.

The enrolled Constitution is written on both sides of nineteen parchment (animal skin) pages. The last page contains the signatures of the forty-eight delegates. On the original copy, it is still possible to see faint lines drawn where each delegate was to sign. The signatures were deliberately spaced out in three columns, in alphabetical order.¹⁵ Unlike the others, Pierre Sainsevain's name appears in pencil; he did not sign in ink because he was absent on family business on October

¹² Ibid., 187.

¹³ Monterey had been the capital during the Mexican administration (1774–1849). San Jose did not last long as the new capital (1849–1851). After short stints in Vallejo (1852–1853) and Benicia (1853–1854), the capital moved to Sacramento, where it has remained except for one legislative session that was held in San Francisco in 1863, due to flooding in Sacramento.

¹⁴ Browne (1850), 255. Dueling itself was not formally repealed until the 1990s.

¹⁵ Bowman (1949), "The Original Constitution," 193.

13, 1849.¹⁶ A Spanish version of the Constitution was prepared by the translator W.E.P. Hartnell. The Constitution decreed that all laws must be published in both Spanish and English.

¹⁶ Bowman (1949), “The Question of Sainsevain’s Signature,” 361. Bowman thinks that the engrosser who wrote the final copy of the Constitution lightly penciled in Sainsevain’s name (misspelled as “Sansevain”) for the delegate to sign later but he never did.

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Angeles District

Jose A. Carrillo

Manuel Dominguez

Stephen C. Foster

Hugo Reid

Abel Stearns



Jose Ant. Carrillo

The Family of Jose Antonio Carrillo

1. **JOSE¹ RAIMUNDO CARRILLO** was a native of Loreto, born in 1749 and died at San Diego, buried on 10 Nov. 1809. He married at San Carlos Mission, 23 Apr. 1781, MARIA THOMASA IGNACIA LUGO, Fray Junipero Serra officiating (see Lugo ancestry, below). He came to California with the Portola Expedition in 1769 and was present at the founding of Monterey, 3 June 1770. He is said to have been a great bear hunter, known to fight bears with only a knife and shield [*HUNT, RG, HSD*].

Children, surname *Carrillo* (probably incomplete):

2. i. JOSE ANTONIO EZEQUIEL², b. 1796, m. MARIA ESTEFANA PICO.
- ii. CARLOS ANTONIO DE JESUS
- iii. ANASTASIO
- iv. DOMINGO ANTONIO IGNACIO
- v. MARIA ANTONIA, m. **JOSE ANTONIO DE LA GUERRA Y NORIEGA**

2. **JOSE² ANTONIO EZEQUIEL CARRILLO** (*Jose¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at San Francisco in 1796*. He died at Santa Barbara, 25 April 1862 [*BBC*]. He married 1) on 2 June 1823, MARIA ESTEFANA DE LAS MEVES PICO, the daughter of Jose Maria and Maria Eustaquia (Gutierrez) Pico. Maria was baptized at the Presidio Church of San Diego on 5 August 1806. In the marriage record, Jose's full name is given as Jose Antonio Lugardo Carrillo. Following the death of his first wife from malaria, Jose married 2) her sister, MARIA JACINTA PETRA PICO, who was born 28 June 1815 and baptized on the 29th at the

* Mr. Dorman gives 11 April 1796 as the birth date for Jose Carrillo with his baptism two days later but no source is given for this date, or rather, the editor has not been able to find the date in any of the sources that *were* identified. A search of Mission Dolores baptismal records by the staff at the Archives of the Archdiocese of San Francisco failed to turn up any supporting documentation. The source of the date – and its validity – remains a mystery.

Presidio Church. They were married in 1842 and divorced in 1854. [HUSE]

Jose may have been a teacher in San Diego in 1813 as Don Pio Pico recalled having been a student in a class taught by one Jose Antonio Carrillo in that year [SC]. He owned a house-lot in Los Angeles in 1821. He was a member of the *diputación* 1822-4; governor's secretary in 1826; *alcalde* of Los Angeles 1827-8; elector in 1829-30, but he was defeated for congress [BAN].

In 1831, he had a quarrel with Alcalde Sanchez and was arrested and exiled by Governor Victoria, presumably for having been active in sending memorials requesting the convoking of a *diputación*. He returned in secret to San Diego and with Juan Bandini and Pio Pico on 29 November 1831 issued a formal *pronunciamiento* renouncing allegiance to the Governor. Later that evening, they and about a dozen fellow conspirators captured the barracks with all the arms within. Carrillo personally induced the popular former governor Echeandia to endorse the rebellion.

In early December they marched on Los Angeles with an army of fifty men led by Portilla. There they opened the jails and freed all those who had been imprisoned by Victoria. By the time the Governor arrived from Monterey with a little over thirty trained troops, the conspirators had assembled an army of 150 raw recruits. They met at Cahuenga Pass and Victoria was defeated. Recovering from his wounds at San Gabriel, Victoria turned over the government to Echeandia on December 9th.

In January of 1832 the rebels convened a *diputación* and, desiring to separate the civil and military powers, elected Pio Pico as civil governor. Carrillo stood with those who favored Pico but the choice offended Echeandia and he withdrew his support of the rebellion. Pico, in turn, declined to serve without Echeandia's support and the whole matter was turned over to the authorities in Mexico City.

In 1833-4 Carrillo served as *suplente* congressman, member of the *diputación*, and *alcalde* of Los Angeles.

In 1835-1836 he was in Mexico as a member of congress; otherwise as first vocal (or president) of the *diputación* he would have been interim governor instead of Castro in 1835. By his persistent efforts, a decree

was secured on 23 May 1835, to the effect that “the pueblo of Los Angeles in Alta California is erected into a city and it will in future be the capital of that territory.” This was received as a bombshell in Monterey. He returned to California at the end of 1837.

From that time to the beginning of 1839 he engaged in fruitless efforts to rule the territory by making his brother Don Carlos governor. During this time, he was more than once a prisoner, and on one occasion spent some months in captivity at Sonoma. There by his diplomatic skill he nearly won over General Vallejo to his cause (q.v.). As a member of the *diputación*, *ministro* of the tribunal superior, 1840-3, he was believed to be engaged in various plots. He was not very openly active in opposition to Micheltorena, but was finally induced in 1845 to join the revolutionists.

Under the new administration in 1845, he declined the appointment of First Justice of the Tribunal. He became instead lieutenant-colonel of the militia, *commandante de escuadrón*, and principal commander of the southern line. In this capacity, as representative of General Castro in the south, he became a northern partisan in the sectional quarrels and was banished to the frontier by Governor Pico.

Returning in 1846, he joined Castro at Santa Clara as major-general of the California forces, and retreated to the south in July. In Flores' revolt Carrillo was second in command, defeating Mervine at the battle of Dominguez Rancho, and frightening Stockton away from San Pedro. He had a single gun at his disposal. His soldiers would fire the gun at the oncoming Americans, then the cavalry would use lassos to drag the gun away faster than the enemy could approach. The exhausted Americans finally returned to their camp, besieged from the rear by Carrillo's riflemen.

Carrillo then engaged in a plot against provisional governor Flores, but resumed his allegiance in time for the final struggle against the American invaders. He signed the treaty of Cahuenga as Mexican commissioner in January 1847. At age 53, he was the oldest member of the Constitutional Convention. It was the last recorded public event of his life.

The establishment of American government marked the end of Carrillo's political career. He retired to his home at Santa Barbara and wasted away slowly, drinking from sunrise until bedtime.

Bancroft described Jose Carrillo as

a man of remarkable natural abilities for the most part unimproved and wasted. Slight modifications in the conditions and his character might have made him the foremost in Californians - either the best or the worst. None excelled him in intrigue and he was never without a plot on hand. A gambler, of loose habits, and utterly careless in his associations, he yet never lost the privilege of associating with the best or the power of winning their friendship. There was nothing he would not do to oblige a friend or get the better of a foe; and there were few of any note who were not at one time or another both his foes and friends. No Californian could drink so much brandy as he with so little effect. A man of fine appearance and iron constitution; of generous impulses, without much principle; one of the few original and prominent characters in early California annals. [BAN]

Children, surname *Carrillo*:

- i. JOSE ANTONIO LUZARDO, b. or bp. 6 July 1824, Los Angeles Co.
- ii. TOMASA³, bp. 4 Aug. 1830, m. ca. 1850, (as his 2nd wife) LEWIS T. BURTON. See Burton, below.

The Burton Family

1. **LEWIS T.¹ BURTON[†]**, born 18 Feb. 1809, Henry Co., Tennessee and died 21 May 1879, Santa Barbara, California. He married 1) in 1839, MARIA ANTONIA CARRILLO, daughter of Carlos Carrillo. He married 2) TOMASA CARRILLO (q.v.). He is shown living alone in the 1860 census. [BAN]

Lewis Burton came to California in 1841 with the Wolfskill party and settled at Santa Barbara. There he engaged in otter-hunting, trade and finally, farming. In 1836 he described himself as a Catholic bachelor, 24 years old, in business with a Mr. Branch. He became a wealthy merchant and ranchero, and was claimant for the Jesus Maria and Chamizal ranchos. The Burton homestead was a popular place for social gatherings.

[†] Also spelled Louis and Luis.

Children, surname *Burton*:

2. i. JOSEPH (JOSE) BENJAMIN BURTON, b. about 1850, “only son.” [CEN52 9:17]

2. **JOSEPH² (JOSE) BENJAMIN BURTON** (*Lewis¹*), born circa 1850, probably in Santa Barbara, and died in San Diego, circa 1925. He married at Santa Barbara on 24 Feb. 1873, FRANCES ESTELLA (OR STELLA, [NP]) TEBBETTS, daughter of George P. and Maria Dolores (Osuña) Tebbetts [HSB] (George P. Tebbetts was born in New Hampshire, came from Boston to California before 1849 and died 9 Jan. 1850 in San Francisco; Maria died 12 August 1891 at Santa Barbara. George Tebbetts published the Santa Barbara Morning Press.) Frances Tebbetts was born about 1855 in San Diego. She came to Santa Barbara with her parents at the age of 10 and died there in November of 1930. She is buried in the Burton family plot in the Santa Barbara Cemetery.

Children, surname *Burton*:

- i. FRANCES E., b. ca. 1875. She may have died in 1958. She m. ROBERT C. TITTEL, b. 1863, son of German immigrant brick mason, John Charles and Mary C. Tittel. Robert was working as a clerk in the telephone office in 1880 [CEN80]. He d. 5 Dec., 1957.
- ii. R. MARGUERITE, “Rissie May”; b. 30 Aug. 1877 in Santa Barbara, d. there 5 Apr. 1927; m. GERALD DEAKIN.
- iii. N. KATHLEEN; b. ca. 1879; d. in 1930; m. LEROY CALDWELL.
- iv. HARRY EDWARD, b. 1881, resided in Arizona in 1930.
- v. CHARLOTTE, b. June 1892 at San Francisco, d. 28 March 1942 at Los Angeles. Silent movie actress. She m. 1) WESTON BURCHE WOOLRIDGE, 2) DARRELL T. STUART, and 3) WILLIAM RUSSELL. [LAT] She had a daughter, *Charlotte Burton*, by her first husband [NP].

The Lugo Ancestry

1. **SALVADOR¹ LUGO**, married MARIA JOSEFA ESPINOSA.

2. **FRANCISCO SALVADOR² LUGO** (*Salvador¹*), born circa 1740 at Sinaloa, Mexico. He came to California with Capt. Rivera’s expedition of 1774. He was stationed in northern California until 1781 and was a

soldier of the Los Angeles guard from the founding of the city, 4 Sept. 1781. [WAID]

Children, surname *Lugo*:

- i. ROSA MARIA, m. PABLO ANTONIO COTA
- ii. TOMASA YGNACIO, b. 23 Apr. 1781, m. JOSE RAIMUNDO CARRILLO [see above].
- iii. SALVADOR, killed as a boy by a fall from a horse.
- iv. JOSEF ANTONIO, m. MARIA JOSEFA VERDUGO
- v. JOSEF YGNACIO, m. MARIA RAFAELA ROMERO
- vi. MARIA ANTONIO YSABEL, m. YGNACIO VICENTE FERRER VALLEJO (brother of the general).
- vii. ANTONIO MARIA, m. MARIA DOLORES RUIZ
- viii. JUAN MARIA ALEJANDRO, m. MARIA PAULA RUBIO
- ix. MARIA YGNACIA, m. JOSE PEDRO RUIZ

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WAID	Waid (1985)



Allan Dominguez

The Family of Manuel Dominguez

1. **MANUEL² DOMINGUEZ**, signer of the California Constitution, was born at San Diego, California, 26 Jan. 1803 and baptized four days later. He was the son of Cristobal¹ and Maria de los Reyes (Ibañes) Dominguez. He died 11 Oct. 1882 at Rancho San Pedro and is buried at Calvary Cemetery in Los Angeles. His full name at baptism was Luis Gonzaga Polycarpo Manuel Antonio y Fernando Dominguez. He married in 1827, MARIA ALTA GRATIA COTA, the daughter of Don Guillermo and Maria Manuela (Nieto) Cota. She was born about 1806 in Los Angeles County and died 16 March 1883 at Rancho San Pedro.

In 1825 Manuel was granted the Rancho San Pedro, where he lived the rest of his life. At his death the rancho was valued at \$375,000 and later proved to be prime oil drilling land. He served several years as suplente and elector for Los Angeles and was Alcalde several times. In 1829 he was a delegate at the first provincial legislative assembly. In 1846, his rancho was one of those occupied by Americans.

In 1849 he was one of five representatives from Los Angeles at the Constitutional Convention. The five representatives traveled together on horseback. It is said that Dominguez and **Jose Carrillo** spent the better part of two days in a heated argument about whether the world was round or flat. At the convention, Manuel was present at all but five of the meetings and voted against the majority on only six issues, three of them minor points of parliamentary procedure. He returned to Los Angeles by boat with **Abel Stearns**.

In the years following the convention, Manuel turned down requests by the leading citizens of Los Angeles to run for Governor. He also refused appointive offices in the state and federal government. Remaining on his rancho, he was elected a supervisor of Los Angeles in 1856 and retired after the term expired to return to private life.

Children*, surname *Dominguez*:

- i. MARIA ANA JOSEFA JULIANA³, “Anita,” b. San Diego, 1 Feb. 1828; bp. at the Presidio Church there on the 3rd [GIL]. She d. 13 Nov. 1907 at Los Angeles; bur. at the Calvary Cemetery. She m. 1) 30 Sept. 1868, Judge WILLIAM G. DRYDEN, widower, a native of Kentucky who came to California in 1851. He died 10 Sept. 1869 at Los Angeles, aged 70 years. She m., second, at Los Angeles, 30 April 1884, CHARLES E. GUYER. He came from Denver to California in 1879 and is reported to have died in Denver about 1927 [LMS].
- ii. MARIA GUADALUPE MARCELINA, bp. Los Angeles 12 Dec. 1830. She d. Rancho San Pedro. 2 Jan. 1913, leaving an estate worth over a million dollars. [GB1]
- iii. MARIA LEONOR, b. 31 Oct. 1832; bp. 5 Nov. 1832; d. before 1853.
- iv. MARIA ADELAIDA, b. 2 March 1835; bp. on the 29th; d. 21 Jan. 1836, aged 3 days (sic).
- v. MANUELITA, b, ca. 1836, aged 14 in 1850. Not found otherwise.
- vi. MANUEL ANTONIO, b. 3 Aug. 1837; d. 9 April 1858 from tuberculosis.
2. vii. MARIA DOLORES SIMONA, b. 25 Sept. 1838
- viii. JOSE ANTONIO, b. 18 June 1840, d. 27 Feb. 1863 following a riding accident four days earlier.
3. ix. MARIA VICTORIA, b. on or before 17 April 1842
- x. MARIA SUSANA DELFINA, bp. 5 June 1844; d. Los Angeles, 18 Jan. 1931. She m. Rancho San Pedro, Dr. GREGORIO DEL AMO Y GONZALES; he b. Santona village, Prov. Santander, Spain, 18 Aug. 1858; d. Los Angeles, 11 Sept. 1941.
- xi. MARIA DE JESUS DE LOS REYES, b. 6 Jan. 1847; d. Los Angeles, 4 June 1933. She m. 2 Jan. 1892, JOHN FILLMORE FRANCIS, b. in a log cabin at Lyons, Clinton Co. Iowa, 7 Oct. 1851, son of an English shipbuilder from the Clyde and Mersey Rivers area, near Liverpool. He d. 4 July 1903 [GB4,LHB,SC].

2. **MARIA DOLORES SIMONA³ DOMINGUEZ** (*Manuel², Cristobal¹*) was born 25 Sept. 1838 and baptized on the 6th of November. She died 17 Sept. 1924 at Rancho San Pedro. She married at Los Angeles, 4 or 13 Oct. 1855, Col. JAMES ALEXANDER WATSON. He was born 14 May 1821

* All but the first child were born at Rancho San Pedro. Baptisms are recorded at Presbyterian Church in Los Angeles. Most burials are at Calvary Cemetery in Los Angeles.

at Washington, D.C., a few months after his parents had emigrated from Scotland. He came to California in 1854 and died 16 Sept. 1869 at Los Angeles. [*SFB, GB2, AHS, HUNT, SCC*]

Children, surname *Watson*:

- i. JOSE ANTONIO⁴, b. 16 Sep. 1858, bp. 31 Oct. 1858, Los Angeles, Plaza Church. Probably died young.
- ii. MANUEL GUILLERMO, b. 19 Mar. 1860, Monterey, Cal. He suffered an accidental death on 1 Sep. 1894. He m. 1) 25 Sep. 1884, LILLIE F. STOUT; 2) EDNA REUTER. He had five children.
- 4. iii. JAMES JOHNSTON, b. 8 Apr. 1862.
- 5. iv. ROBERT LEE, b. 11 Feb. 1865.
- 6. v. PATRICK JOHN, b. 17 March 1867.
- vi. CARLOTA, b. 18 March, bp. 1 Aug. 1869; prob. d. young.

3. **MARIA VICTORIA³ DOMINGUEZ** (*Manuel², Cristobal¹*), born at Rancho San Pedro and baptized on 17 April, 1842 at Los Angeles Plaza Church[†] and died 18 Dec. 1916 at Dominguez Junction, Rancho San Pedro. She married GEORGE HENRY CARSON at Los Angeles, 30 July 1857. He was born at Jordan, N.Y., 3 March 1832, the son of John and Sophia Carson, and died at Rancho San Pedro, 20 Nov. 1901.

Children, surname *Carson*,

- i. MARIA CON GRATIA⁴, b. 30 Sept. 1858, d. 10 March 1917.
- ii. ANNA MARIA, b. 5 Aug. 1860, bp. 12 Feb. 1861, d. 1 Sept. 1899.
- 7. iii. JOHN MANUEL, b. Los Angeles, 12 Apr. 1862.
- iv. ELLEN VICTORIA, b. 18 Dec. 1863, d. next day.
- v. GEORGE HENRY, b. 26 Oct. 1865, bp. 24 Feb. 1866, d. 20 Nov. 1891. He may have married, but had no children.
- vi. MARIA ANTONIA, “Amelia”, b. 25 Sept. 1867; d. 6 June 1958, no children. She m. 1) JOSEPH F. ATHERTON, b. 29 July 1874, d. 12 March 1930. She m. 2) JOSE DRUDIS, the Spanish landscape artist who became an American citizen in 1933. Together, they founded the Jose Drudis Foundation, providing

[†] The Los Angeles Plaza Church is the Church of Nuestra Señora la Reina de Los Angeles, dedicated 1822.

scholarships for art students and grants to educational, religious and charitable organizations.

- vii. EDWARD ALBERT, b. 6 or 9 June 1869; d. 4 Nov. 1952. He m. Los Angeles, 16 Apr. 1896, CECILIA C. PEARSON, b. Los Angeles, 3 July 1873, d. 3 Aug. 1934. They had no children. He was a successful attorney, city supervisor, city auditor, and executive in the Southern California Edison Company. [WWPS, CSI]
- viii. ADELAYDA VIRGINIA, "Jennie", b. 16 Dec. 1871, bp. 8 March 1872; d. Los Angeles, Nov. 1891. She m. "CHARLES LOUIS" W. CALDWELL, b. 27 Aug. 1868, d. 4 Jan. 1904 in an auto accident. They had a daughter, Grace.
- ix. MARY VICTORIA, bp. 28 Oct. 1872; d. the same day.
- x. CRISTOBAL JOSE, b. 22 Apr. 1874, d. 12 Aug. 1874.
- xi. JOSEPH NOEL, b. 25 June 1875, d. 5 Dec. 1961. He m. 1) Los Angeles, 22 Oct. 1902, DAISY ALENE CROSS (b. 6 Dec. 1878 and d. 19 Dec. 1910). He m. 2) Los Angeles, 12 Dec. 1912, HARRIETTE THURMAN. He m. 3) by 1941, LAURA GREEN.

His only child (by his first wife) was *Henriette Marie*, b. 29 May 1906; m. 22 Aug. 1929 ERNEST RUSSELL WERDIN; d. 16 July 1988.
- xii. WILLIAM CRISTOBAL, b. 16 April 1877, d. unmarried 18 June 1900. [LHC]
- xiii. VICTORIA LENORA, "Vickie", b. 25 Feb. 1879, d. April 1974. She m. Los Angeles, 12 Feb. 1906, HENRY HAMILTON COTTON. He was b. 5 March 1880 and d. 28 Aug. 1952.
- xiv. LUCILE SUSANA, "Lucy", b. 4 Aug. 1881. She m. NEIL R. RASMUSSEN.

They had at least one son, *George Carson Rasmussen*. He m. Rosemary Baker at Beverly Hills, August 1947.
- xv. DAVID VICTOR, b. 24 March 1884, d. Los Angeles, 6 Jan. 1947. He m. MURIAL GOOCH. She was b. 13 Jan 1887 and d. 13 Dec. 1950. They had one child, *Sara Victoria*. He was a member of the sheriff's posse, Vacqueros, Ranchos Visitadores and the Elks. He was director of the Dominguez Estate Co. and the Carson Estates Co. [LAT3]

4. **JAMES JOHNSTON⁴ WATSON**(*Maria Dolores³ Dominguez, Manuel², Cristobal¹*), was born 8 Apr. 1862 and baptized 30 June 1862 at Los Angeles. He died suddenly at Santa Barbara, 20 Aug. 1928. He married, first, at San Diego, 15 Nov. 1893, FRANCISCA FERRER (b. 25 Apr. 1865, d. 22 May 1902). He married, second, at Los Angeles, 20 Jan. 1909, ANTOINETTE LARRONDE (b. 13 Nov. 1879, d. 21 Nov. 1955) [CS2].

Children, surname *Watson*, by first wife:

- i. LUCILLE MARIAN⁵, b. Los Angeles, 29 Sept. 189-, m. ____ MARTIN.
- ii. GRACE VICTORIA, b. Los Angeles, 30 Jan. 1900, m. ____ ROLLINS.

Child by second wife:

- iii. ANITA SUSANA, b. Los Angeles, 21 May 1903.

5. **ROBERT “ROBERTO” LEE⁴ WATSON**, (*Maria Dolores³ Dominguez, Manuel², Cristobal¹*) was born at Los Angeles, 11 Feb. 1865, baptized 27 May, Los Angeles Plaza Church and died at Los Angeles, 25 May 1939. He married LOUISA POGGI, daughter of Rafael and Luisa (Sepulveda) Poggi [CS2, LB3].

Child, surname *Watson*:

- i. SUSANA GERTRUDE⁵, b. ca. 1901, m. Dr. JOSE RENATO LOCAYO. He was President of the Southern Estate Co. and Watson Estate Co. He d. Los Angeles, Jan. 1961. [CS3, SBB2, CR]

6. **PATRICK JOHN⁴ WATSON**, “Patricio” (*Maria Dolores³ Dominguez, Manuel², Cristobal¹*) was born 17 March 1867 on the Dominguez Rancho. He died suddenly in Los Angeles, 30 Sept. 1930. He married, 17 Oct. 1894, MARY EULALIA “MAMIE” O’FARRELL, daughter of the San Francisco pioneer, John Joseph O’Farrell. They had no children, but raised two of Mamie’s nieces [CS2].

7. **JOHN MANUEL⁵ CARSON** (*Maria Victoria³ Dominguez, Manuel², Cristobal¹*), born at Los Angeles, 12 Apr. 1862 and died there 13 May 1928. He married at San Francisco, 24 Nov. 1891, KATHERINE “KATE” SMYTHE. She was born 21 April 1871 and died 18 Nov. 1954. [NW]

Children, surname *Carson*:

- i. JOHN VICTOR⁶, b. Feb. 1893, d. Feb. 1976. Executive President of the Dominguez Water Corp. in 1961. He m. 1) MARGARET LOIS ____; she b. 7 Jan. 1893, d. 18 Nov. 1928. [GB3, CC] He m. 2) ALICE _____. No children known [LAT2].
- ii. VALERIE S., “Victoria”, b. Aug. 1894, m. JEROME J. HANRAHAN, Jr. They had two children, *Valerie Katherine* and *Jerome Howard* [LBI].

iii. GEORGE EARL, b. Oct. 1896, m. ca. 1956, VIRGINIA KIP McDONALD

8. iv. GLADYS GUADALUPE, b. Dec. 1898

8. **GLADYS GUADALUPE⁶ CARSON** (*John M.⁴, Maria Victoria³ Dominguez, Manuel², Cristobal¹*) married at Los Angeles, 25 May 1921, EDWARD A. SCHELLER, son of Louis C. and Agnes O. (McLaughlin) Scheller. He was born at Los Angeles, 30 July 1890 and died there, 16 July 1928. He was employed by the Union Hardware and Metal Co. He served in WWI, as a sergeant in the motor transport corps, made 2nd Lt. in 1919 [CS1, SBB]. Following his death, she married, second, FRITZ B. BURNS. They had three children, Edward, Frances and Maria de los Reyes.

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Stephen C. Foster

The Family of Stephen Clark Foster

1. **STEPHEN CLARK² FOSTER**, signer of the California Constitution, was the son of Alfred¹ and Rebecca (Foster) Foster (natives of New Brunswick, Canada). He was born at East Machias, Me., 17 Dec. 1820 and died at Los Angeles, Cal., 28 Jan. 1898. He was baptized, 15 June 1848, at the Los Angeles Plaza Church as Carlos Foster. In August of that same year, he married MARIA DE LA MERCED (LUGO) PEREZ, the daughter of Antonio Maria and Maria Dolores (Ruiz) Lugo and widow of Juan Perez, who had died in 1840. She was born 13 Sept. 1803 at Rancho San Antonio in Los Angeles Co. (although she was recorded as 37 years old in 1852). She died 11 Oct. 1913, aged 110 years, at Los Angeles and is buried in the Evergreen Cemetery*.

Stephen Clark Foster graduated from Yale University, class of 1840 and taught school in Virginia and Alabama until 1844 when he attended a series of lectures at the Louisiana Medical College at New Orleans. He began practicing medicine at Westport, Mo.

In 1845, he crossed the plains to New Mexico as a trader, coming as far as Sonora and settling in Oposura where he again practiced medicine. In June of 1846 he returned to Santa Fe.

He came to California during the Mexican War in the Mormon Battalion as an interpreter, arriving in Los Angeles in March of 1847. He continued in the service of the government, translating Spanish and Mexican laws into English and served over a year as *alcalde* of Los Angeles in 1848. He attended the Constitutional Convention, served as State Senator (1851-1853) and as Mayor of Los Angeles in 1854 he inaugurated the city's first public school system. He was sympathetic to

* Maria had a daughter from her previous marriage, Maria Antonia Perez, born about 1838. She died 13 Feb. 1921 and is buried at the Calvary Cemetery. She was married four times: 1) Wallace Woodworth (son of John D. Woodworth) who died 13 Sept. 1882, aged 50 years; 2) Patrick Sarsfield O'Reilly in August of 1888; 3) Montes de Oca; 4) C. E. DeCamp [*BUL, NEW*].

vigilantes and on one occasion, Mayor Foster persuaded a would-be lynch mob not to hang one David Brown by promising to lead them if the courts failed to convict. When Brown was freed on appeal, Foster kept his word, resigned as mayor and led the lynching. He was re-elected in 1856, but resigned again to handle the estate of his brother-in-law, Isaac Williams. [*SCF, OBY*]

In later years, the family residence was in the nearby town of Downey, though he spent most of his time in Los Angeles. He died nearly destitute. An olive tree was planted in his name at San Fernando. [*OBY*]

Rebecca Foster, Stephen's mother, was the daughter of Joel and Mary (West) Foster. In addition to Rebecca, they had sons Stephen, Joel, Ezekiel, and Stephen C. Joel was the son of Wooden and Frances (Scott) Foster [*CAM*].

Children, surname *Foster*:

2. i. ALFRED PABLO³, b. at Los Angeles, 1850.
- ii. STEPHEN CHARLES, "Estevan", b. 18 Sept., bp. Los Angeles, 3 Oct. 1853; d. ca. 1917; m. 2 July 1873, "Bessie" BERSABE RUIZ[†]. They had one child, a daughter, *Fanny* who married but had no children.
- iii. FRANCISCA ELOISA, "Fanny", bp. Los Angeles, 17 Jan. 1857.
- iv. PABLO, b. Los Angeles, 6 June 1859.

2. **ALFRED PABLO³ FOSTER**, (*Stephen C.², Alfred¹*) was born at Los Angeles, 1850 and died there 21 Feb. 1912. He married, 10 Apr. 1875, TERESA RUIZ, twin sister of Bessie, above. She was born about 1857 and died at Los Angeles, 18 Apr. 1915 [*LAVR, GB, BOW*].

Children, surname *Foster*:

- i. FRANK B.⁴, b. ca. 1876, d. ca. 1913; m. at Downey, Cal., 23 Jan. 1898, RITA OROSCO, b. ca. 1880. They had one son.

[†] Bersabe Carmen Ruiz, the illegitimate daughter of Martin Ruiz and Victoria Audnot, was baptized on 12 June 1863. If this is the same person, she may have been little more than ten years old at the time of her marriage.

- ii. ALBERT WILLIAM, b. ca. 1877, d. at Downey, ca. 1950, unmarried.
- iii. ELENA, "Ella", b. ca. 1879; m. at Downey, 29 Sept. 1898, OSCAR AQUILA PICKERING, son of John and Mary Prudence (Sherrod) Pickering, b. Kansas, 1871. They had a daughter, *Norine Page Pickering*, who m. Stewart Anderson Hamilton.
- iv. REBECCA, "Becky", b. ca. 1881; m. 1) DELANO PICKERING, brother of Oscar, above; 2) SAM RETTIG, who d. at Los Angeles, October 1956. They had two children, surname *Rettig*: *Gertrude*, m. James Slater; *Carlos* m. 1) Mabel Coleman and 2) Sally _____.
- v. ROBERT, b. ca. 1883; m. JENNIE _____ who d. 1953. They had an adopted son, *James*, who res. Portland, Oregon.
- vi. LORENA, b. ca. 1888, m. WILLIAM A. TREDER. They had three children, surname *Treder*: *Elmer W.*, unmarried; *Agnes*, who married Leonard Morton, police officer; *Mabel*, who m. Howard Bowman and had two children.
- vii. SARA, b. ca. 1890; m. 1) FLOYD MOORE, fireman; 2) JOHN BUNNELL. Her son, *L. Foster Moore* worked in the L.A. Police Dept.
- viii. DANIEL S., b. ca. 1894; m. VIOLET P. TOMKINS. She was b. England, raised in Canada, came to the U.S. in 1922. Daniel was with the L.A. Fire Dept. from 1915 to 1939 and served in the U.S. Army from 2 Nov. 1917 to 29 May 1919.

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- SCF** Foster (1949)
- IHLA** Lewis (1889) p. 121
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Hugh Nevins

The Family of Hugo Perfecto Reid

1. **CHARLES REID**, of Cardross, Dunbartonshire, Scotland, married ESSEX MILLIKEN. Their son...

2. **HUGH “HUGO PERFECTO” REID*** (*Charles*¹), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Cardross 1811 and died in Los Angeles, 12 Dec. 1852, from tuberculosis. He married at San Gabriel, California, Sept. 1837, VICTORIA BARTOMOMEA COMICRABIT, the daughter of Barolome and Petra, both native Americans. She was born in California circa 1808-1809 and died at San Gabriel 23 Dec. 1868. This was her second marriage. Her first marriage, at the age of fourteen, was to a California native named Pablo Maria, a man 28 years her senior, who had died of smallpox at La Huerta del Cuati.

According to the common story, Hugo Reid arrived in Los Angeles in 1834 having been recently jilted by his beloved “Victoria” and proceeded to go on a bender. In one drunken moment, he swore he would marry the first woman named Victoria who would have him. A short while later he met an attractive native Californian whose name was, indeed, Victoria. She accepted his offer of marriage. But there is more to the story. Hugh fell in love with Victoria while she was still married. To avoid temptation, he eventually left town with his friend, Dr. William Kieth. They went to Hermosilla in Sonora and he worked there for a while as a schoolteacher. When he learned that Pablo Maria had died, he returned to court the widow. [AW]

Through the assistance of influential friends, Victoria had retained title to properties that had been granted to her first husband. These properties consisted of the Rancho Santa Anita and La Huerta del Cuati (now San Marino). Hugo’s right to the titles was threatened by prejudice against Indians holding land and he had to petition to retain the title.

* The popular portrait of Hugh Reid (shown on the previous page) was in fact painted about 1950 by Beatrice McIvor. The painting was made from descriptions given by his contemporaries. There is no known true likeness.

Reid went on to become one of California's earliest spokesmen for Indian rights. He learned the ways of his wife's people, known as the San Gabrieleño Indians as they had no tribal name of their own. He wrote twenty-two letters to the Los Angeles Star describing their culture, characteristics and folklore. The last ten dealt heavily with the mistreatment of the Indians by the padres and in the several reprintings of the letters in following years these letters were omitted. It wasn't until 1926 that the entire set of letters was published as a book under the title *Indians of Los Angeles County*.

Hugh Reid's first public office was in 1839 when he was elected a member of the Los Angeles City Council. In 1842, he and Dr. Keith embarked on the first of two trading voyages along the California coast and to the Orient. In 1846, he was elected Justice of the Peace at San Gabriel.

In 1847, upon his marriage, he settled at Rancho Santa Anita but the following year he was off like so many others, mining gold in the Sierra foothills.

At the constitutional convention, he served on the committee to take a census of the inhabitants and on the committee to set the state boundary. [SBD]

Children of Victoria and Pablo Maria, adopted by Hugh Reid, surname *Reid*:

3. i. FELIPE "adopted son of Hugo Reid", b. ca. 1822.
- ii. JOSE DOLORES b. ca. 1824, not in 1850 census. He may have died in the smallpox epidemic of 1849.
- iii. MARIA YGNACIA DE JESUS, b. ca. 1829, d. 30 May 1849.
- iv. REFUGIA?[†], b. ca. 1832

[†] George Dorman does not include Refugia in the numbering, but notes her in the margin only. She does not appear in the 1852 census, from which his numbering was first derived, but Refugia does appear in the 1850 census as "female, Indian", which was checked later. There is nothing to confirm that she was actually a member of the family and the numbering was never updated.

Children, surname *Reid*:

- v. CHARLES, b. ca. 1837, “Carlitos”, “Carlos”
- vi. CHARLOTTE, b. ca. 1839, “Carota”
- vii. MANWELLA, b. ca. 1844, “Manuela”

3. **FELIPE REID** (*Hugo*², *Charles*¹), adopted by step-father, Hugo Perfecto Reid, was born circa 1822 in San Gabriel; living in San Juan Bautista in 1849. He married, first, MARIA PACIFICA (DE LA RESURRECCION) ONTIVEROS, daughter of Juan Pacifico and Maria Martina (Osuna) Ontiveros, who was born about 1825 in Los Angeles and died probably in 1852. He married, second, CRISTOBAL ROMERO.

Felipe Reid participated in the assassination of Gen. Joshua H. Bean[‡] on the night of 21 Nov. 1852, a crime which later developments indicated was directed by Joaquin Murrieta. Of the eight who were arrested and turned over to the vigilance committee, three were released, Felipe Reid was turned over to the civil authorities, and the rest were tried before a citizen’s court.

According to the testimony of Cipriano Sandoval, one of the defendants, following the performance of the *maroma* (a Mexican circus), “I was on my way home.... I heard shots and a man came running up to me. It was Felipe Read. Felipe said: ‘Cipriano, I have just shot Gen. Bean. Here is five dollars. Say nothing. When you want money, come to me and get it.’ I understood that Gen. Bean had been too attentive to Felipe’s mistress.” Joaquin Murieta and his men were tried, convicted, and executed on 12 Dec. 1852.

Felipe had rich and influential family connections and was released from custody and never brought to trial. He died five years later, making a death bed confession of his complicity in the murder. It was generally believed that both he and Murrieta participated in the crime.

Children, by first wife, surname *Reid*:

- i. JOSE NAPOLEON⁴, bp. Los Angeles 20 Nov. 1844.

[‡] Gen. Bean was the elder brother of the reknowned Judge Roy Bean of Texas.

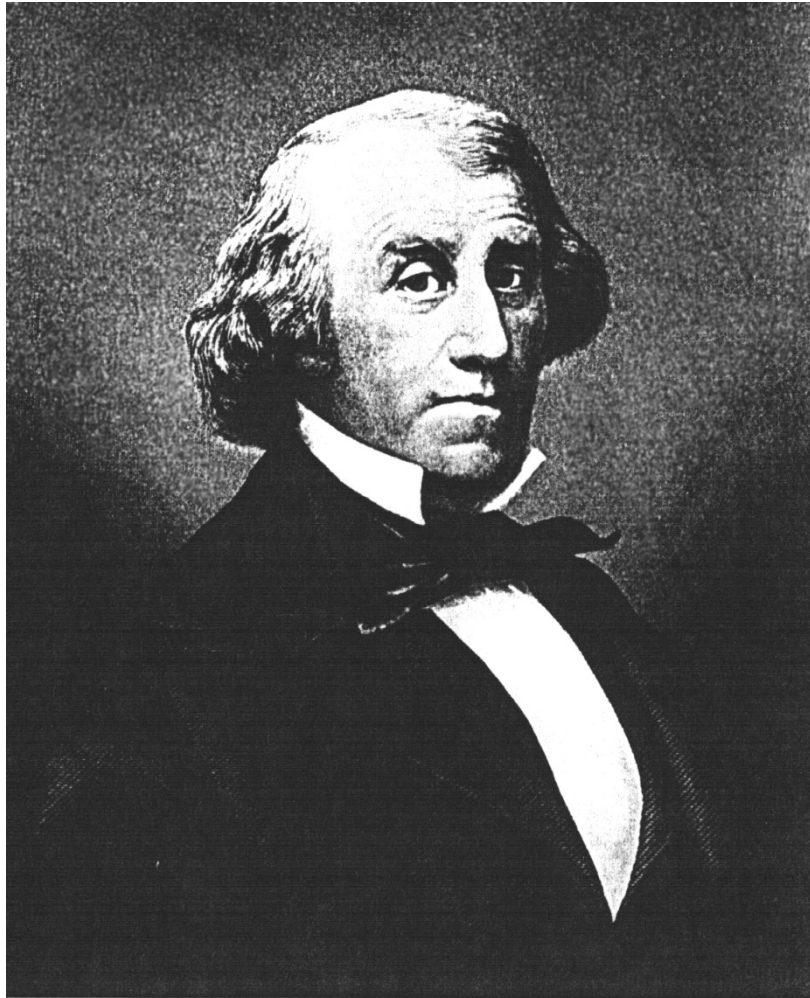
- ii. MARIA TERESA, bp. Los Angeles 21 Oct. 1845.
- iii. MARIA CAROLINA, bp. Los Angeles 9 March 1846.
- iv. MARIA SARA DE JESUS, bp. Los Angeles 13 Jan. 1849.
- v. MARIA CRISTINA, bp. Los Angeles 11 Jan. 1851, aged 12 days.

Child, by second wife:

- vi. FELIPE DE JESUS, bp. Los Angeles 28 Jan. 1854.

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- CSL** State Library Index
- HLA** Wilson (1880) p. 35
- SBD** Dakin



Abel Stearns

The Family of Abel Stearns

1. **ISAAC¹ STEARNS**, married **MARY BARKER**. They came to America with two daughters, Mary and Ann on the ship *Arabella* leaving Nayland, England on 12 Apr. 1630. He was made freeman in 1631. He seems to have prospered in Watertown, having 14 lots at the time of his death, despite having already made gifts to seven of his children. He died 19 June 1671 and his wife died 2 April 1677.

Children, surname *Stearns*:

- i. **MARY²**, b. in England; m. at Woburn, 9 July 1646, **ISAAC LEARNED**.
- ii. **HANNAH**, m. at Watertown, 25 Dec. 1650, **HENRY** (or **SAMUEL**) **FREEMAN**; d. 1656 and bur. 17 June 1656.
- iii. **JOHN**, d. at Billerica, 5 Mar. 1668/9.
2. iv. **ISAAC**, b. 6 Jan. 1632/3.
 - v. **SARAH**, b. 22 Sept. 1635; d. 6 Oct. 1700; m. 7 June 1655, Dea. **SAMUEL STONE** of Cambridge.
 - vi. **SAMUEL**, b. 24 Apr. 1638; d. 3 Aug. 1683.
 - vii. **ELIZABETH**, m. 13 Apr. 1664, **SAMUEL MANNING** of Cambridge.
 - viii. **ABIGAIL**, m. 27 Apr. 1666, Dea. **JOHN MORSE**.

2. **ISAAC² STEARNS, JR.**, the fourth child (probably their first born in America), was born in Watertown, Mass. 6 Jan. 1632 and died there 29 Aug. 1676. He was admitted freeman in 1665. He married at Cambridge, 24 June 1660, **SARAH BEERS**, daughter of Captain Richard Beers.

Isaac settled in Cumberland Farms, an area later incorporated as the town of Lexington.

Children, surname *Stearns*:

- i. **SARAH³**, b. 14 Jan. 1661/2; m. 27 Dec. 1678, **JOHN WHEELER** of Concord.
- ii. **MARY**, b. 8 Oct. 1663; m. 1 Jun. 1693/4, **JOHN CUTLER**.

- iii. ISAAC, b. 26 Aug. 1665.
- 3. iv. SAMUEL, b. 11 Jan. 1667/8.
 - v. ABIGAIL, m. at Concord, 29 Nov. 1692, SAMUEL HARTWELL.
 - vi. JOHN, b. 1675, d. at Bedford, 14 June 1734 leaving five children.
- 3. **SAMUEL³ STEARNS**, was born in Watertown, 20 Jan. 1667 and died 19 Nov. or Dec. 1721, "killed by casualty." He married PHEBE _____.

Children, surname *Stearns*:

- i. SARAH⁴, b. 15 Jun. 1696/7; m. 21 May 1729, WILLIAM WHEELER of Stoughton.
- ii. MARY, b. 27 Jun. 1698/9; m. JOHN POWERS of Shutesbury.
- iii. ABIGAIL, b. 18 Feb. 1700/1; m. 1717, JOSEPH TEMPLE of Concord.
- iv. SAMUEL, b. 7 Mar. 1702/3 and res. Hollis, N.H.; d. 1787.
 - v. RUTH, b. 25 May 1704; m. 5 Feb. 1723/4, OLIVER LIVERMORE of Watertown.
 - vi. PHEBE, b. 23 Feb. 1706/7, m. _____ CUMMINGS, of Uxbridge.
 - vii. REBECCA, b. 15 Apr. 1708; m. at Boston, 29 Apr. 1740, Samuel WHITEMORE.
- 4.viii. THOMAS, b. 4 July 1710.
 - ix. JOHN, b. 23 July 1712; res. Dedham and Attleborough.
 - x. JOSEPH, bp. 15 Apr. 1715.
 - xi. BENJAMIN, b. 6 Jan. 1718/19; resided at Rutland, Vt.

4. **THOMAS⁴ STEARNS**, the eighth child, was born 4 July 1710 and died at Littleton 28 Dec. 1784. He married, first, 28 Apr. 1743, ABIGAIL REED of Uxbridge, daughter of Ebenezer. She died about 1748. He married, second (or perhaps third), about 1751 MARY HEALD, who died 22 Apr. 1809, aged 89 years. She was the widow of _____ White. Thomas resided in Littleton. [*BOND, LVR, UVR*]

Children, surname *Stearns*:

- i. EBENEZER 5, b. 28 Jan. 1743/4; m. CHLOE WOOD and res. Uxbridge. [*UVR*]
- ii. JOHN, b. 2 June 1745; m. 3 Mar. 1773, MARTHA CLEVELAND.
- iii. JOSIAH, b. 18 July 1747; res. Lunenburg.

- iv. ABIGAIL, b. 1 Oct. 1749, d. 25 Oct. 1749 [*LVR*]
- v. MARY, b. 8 Sept. 1751; d. 13 May 1758 [*LVR*]
- vi. NOAH, b. 12 Mar. 1753; d. at Littleton, 22 Sept. 1829, unnm.
- vii. ABIGAIL, b. 19 Mar. 1755; d. July 1825, unnm.
- viii. LYDIA, b. 9 Apr. 1758; m. JOSHUA CHEEVER FOWLE.
- ix. MOLLY, b. 12 Feb. 1760; m. SILAS SMITH of Leominster.
- x. SAMUEL, b. 25 May 1762; d. 2 Aug. 1838 at Cavendish, Vt.
- 5. xi. LEVI, b. 12 Jan. 1765.

5. **LEVI⁵ STEARNS** was born 12 Jan. 1765 and died 25 Dec. 1811. He was a farmer at Lunenburg, Mass. He married ELIZABETH GOODRICH, 7 Jan. 1794. She died 11 Oct. 1810.

Children, surname *Stearns*:

- i. THOMAS⁶, b. 1 Apr. 1794; d. at Leominster 5 Feb. 1811; a tanner and currier.
- ii. LEVI, b. 19 March 1796, d. 11 Nov. 1800.
- 6. iii. ABEL, b. 9 Feb. 1798.
- iv. WILLIAM, twin, b. 17 Nov. 1799; a trader in Boston; m. 11 Oct. 1831, DORINDA JOSLIN.
- v. ELIZABETH, twin, b. 17 Nov. 1799; m. 11 Oct. 1831, ELIAS JOSLIN Jr. of Leominster. [*LEVR*]
- vi. LEVI, b. 24 Dec. 1802; a farmer in Townsend, Mass.; m. DIREXA JEWETT, 5 Oct. 1826. [*LUVR*]
- vii. ABIGAIL, b. 21 Mar. 1804, d. young.
- viii. THERESA, b. 11 Jan. 1806; m. 18 Apr. 1832 to JAMES WARREN who d. 13 Feb. 1838.
- ix. NANCY, b. 30 June 1807; m. 5 Dec. 1833, Dr. PETER MANNING of Merrimack, N.H. and Lowell, Mass. [*LUVR*]
- x. CHARLES, b. 16 June 1809; a trader at Littleton, Mass.

5. **ABEL⁶ STEARNS**, signer of the California Constitution, was born at Lunenburg, Mass. 9 Feb. 1798, and died 24 Aug. 1871 at San Francisco leaving an immense estate and no children. He married at San Gabriel,

California, 22 June 1840, MARIA FRANCISCA PAULA ARCADIA BANDINI, “Arcadia”, the beautiful fourteen-year-old daughter of Juan Lorenzo and Maria Dolores (Estudillo) Bandini. She was born circa 1827 at San Diego. Arcadia married, second, at Los Angeles, 28 Apr. 1874-5, Col. Robert S. Baker (1826-1894) the founder of Bakersfield.

Abel Stearns had lived in California for twenty years at the time of the convention, coming to Monterey in 1829. His contemporaries found him “very ugly” and gave him the nickname “Cara de Caballo” (horseface).

He soon obtained citizenship and a grant of land in the San Joaquin valley. The grant needed to be confirmed by the *diputación* and with the change of Governors in 1831, Stearns became concerned over the lack of action. Governor Victoria, who was busy with the establishment of his quasi-military rule, became so indignant at Stearns’ repeated demands for attention that he issued Stearns his passports and banished him from the country. Stearns set sail from Monterey but disembarked at the Baja California border. As Hunt comments, “Stearns was not the man to submit quietly when his interests were threatened.”

In San Diego, Stearns joined with Jose Antonio Carrillo (q.v.) and other disaffected gentry and was one of the driving forces behind the Revolt of 1831. In so doing, he set himself apart from other foreign settlers who largely appreciated Victoria’s energetic and occasionally unconstitutional efforts to restore order and respect for the law. The decision of the rebels to separate civil and military authority in their new government may have evolved out of their association with Abel Stearns, who would have been familiar with this principle of government in the United States. When Chico replaced Victoria, Stearns’ condition improved slightly, for although Chico continued the war against him, Stearns found that Chico could be ignored. Nonetheless, he found it convenient to resettle at Los Angeles in 1833.

A shrewd businessman, he engaged in smuggling, as did most well-to-do people at that time, and kept a warehouse on a lonely beach at San Pedro. He ran afoul of the law only when his activities became so indiscrete as to be an embarrassment to the administration.

He is said to have been the first to have mined gold in California, sending twenty ounces of placer material to the Philadelphia mint in

1842. He was also able to buy the Los Alamitos Rancho and its livestock and eventually became the largest land and cattle owner in the territory.

A close associate of Thomas O. Larkin (q.v.), the United States Consul, Stearns was appointed a subconfidential agent of the United States in the months leading up to the outbreak of war. His job was to quietly assure the Americans in Southern California that the United States would back any attempt to dissociate the province from Mexico.

He was present throughout the California Convention, but did not participate in the discussions. His only documented contribution was the suggestion of an Income Land Property Tax and a Poll Tax.

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Ch. J. Botts.

The Family of Charles Tyler Botts

1. **JOSHUA¹ BOTTS** was born at Overwharton Parish, Stafford Co., Virginia and died in 1781, his estate probated at Dumfries, Prince William Co., Va.. He married in Culpeper Co., FRANCIS GAINES. [OPR,PR,VC]

Children, surname *Botts*:

- i. WILLIAM¹
- ii. SUSANNAH
- 2. iii. BENJAMIN GAINES, b. 29 Apr. 1776
- iv. THOMAS
- v. ANN, b. Dumfries, 4 Dec. 1780, d. Richmond, 29 Oct. 1872; m. 28 Sep. 1804, Major JESSE NALLE.[KNORR]

2. **BENJAMIN GAINES² BOTTS** (*Joshua¹*) was born at Dumfries, Virginia, 29 Apr. 1776 and married about 1797, JANE “*Jennie*” TYLER, daughter of Charles and Ann (Moore) Tyler, a Revolutionary War soldier (Jane was a cousin or aunt to President John Tyler). A lawyer by trade, Benjamin was the youngest lawyer engaged in the defense of Aaron Burr. He and his wife died 26 Dec. 1811 in the Richmond Theatre conflagration.

Children, surname *Botts*:

- 3. i. ALEXANDER LITHGOW³, b. 20 May 1799
- ii. THOMAS HUTCHINSON, b. 1 Dec. 1800, m. 1) ANN C. WILLIS; m. 2) MARY S. STONE
- 4. iii. JOHN MINOR, b. at Dumfries, 16 Sept. 1802.
- iv. JOSHUA, d. inf.
- v. JANE, d. inf.
- 5. vi. CHARLES TYLER, 1807.

3. **ALEXANDER LITHGOW³ BOTTS**, (*Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*), was born 20 May 1799 and married, 14 Aug. 1818, SUSAN FRANCES RANDOLPH. He was a member of the Executive Council in 1826. He died at Washington, D.C. in 1860.

Children (probably incomplete), surname *Botts*:

- i. Col. LAWSON⁴, fought with the Confederacy.
- ii. MARY, m. MILTON CAVE JOHNSON

4. **JOHN MINOR³ BOTTS**, (*Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*), born at Dumfries, 16 Sept. 1802 and died at his farm, 7 Jan. 1869. He married MARY W. BLAIR.

He studied law six weeks on his own and was admitted to the bar, a feat accomplished by only one other, Patrick Henry. He practiced for six years at Richmond after which he moved to Henrico Co. where he purchased a farm. He was elected to the Virginia State legislature and served ten terms in Congress. He was a strong Union man and upon the outbreak of the Civil War, retired to his farm in Culpeper County where he wrote *The Great Rebellion, Its Secret History, Rise, Progress and Disastrous Failure*, New York, 1866.

Children (incomplete), surname *Botts*:

- 6. i. JOHN FRANKLIN⁴

5. **CHARLES TYLER³ BOTTS**, (*Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born on 6 Mar. 1807 supposedly at Dumfries, Prince William Co., Virginia and died in San Francisco, 4 Oct. 1884 following his third operation on a cancer in his eye. He married at Richmond, about 1830, MARGARET FRANCES MARSHALL, the beautiful and witty daughter of Horace Marshall (brother of Chief Justice John Marshall). She was born in Virginia on or about 16 August 1810, and is said to have been of Fredericksburg. Margaret died 16 April 1881 in Oakland and was buried at Mt. View Cemetery with her husband. They both out-lived their children.

A member of the ultra school of democracy, Charles T. Botts published a newspaper in Richmond and acquired a national reputation

as a writer. He was active in Henrico County agricultural circles and published the *Southern Planter*, “an agricultural paper at so small a price as to be within the reach of all.” From this sounding board, he promoted such radical ideas as crop rotation, diversification, improved stock, use of better machinery, and the use of manure and other fertilizers. He sold the paper in 1846 and came to California in 1848 under the auspices of President Polk.

Botts came to Monterey on the *Mathilda* on an appointment as U.S. Naval storekeeper only sixteen months before the convention.

On the floor of the convention he was one of the most talkative participants and was frequently on the losing end of arguments with his extremist views. He was described by Lippitt as the most brilliant orator at the convention. He punctuated his remarks with biting sarcasm. He had been elected by 96 votes to create a government over 30,000 people. The irony of that fact was not lost on him.

In 1850 he commenced a law practice in San Francisco in the firm of Emmett, Botts and Campbell. That year he purchased 160 acres from William Richardson and on that property laid out the town of Sausalito but the new town was too remote to capitalize on the flood of gold rush activity. Later, he went to Sacramento, again as a journalist, where he published a paper, the *Standard* and obtained the valuable state printing contract. After three years, he resumed his law practice and shortly after was elected District Judge over Sacramento and Yolo counties.

After the Civil War, he returned to the South, but soon was back in California, living and working in San Francisco and Oakland. In 1869 he was in San Francisco teamed with Tully R. Wise in a law office at 402 Montgomery St. He resided at 127 Kearney Street at that time.

The only photo ever made of Charles Botts was in the possession of his granddaughter, Mrs. Alice D. Aylett Dell (see below). She had other family records and family portraits.

Children, surname *Botts*:

- i. CHARLES TYLER⁴, b. Richmond, ca. 1833, died inf.
- ii. HORACE MARSHALL, “*Marshall*”, b. Richmond, ca. 1834. He came to Monterey in 1847 with his parents. He was appointed Naval Clerk and was assistant to his father at Monterey, 6 Oct. 1847, through 1849. He was in Mexico in 1853 and in Nicaragua

in 1855. He was killed in Mexico during the Walker insurrection*, “just out of the university and out for adventure.” He was buried in the Yerba Buena Cemetery. The date 25 Dec. 1855 may refer to his death or his burial.

- 7. iii. ELIZABETH, “*Bettie*”; b. Richmond, ca. 1835.
- iv. BENJAMIN GAINES; b. Richmond, ca. 1839, d. inf.
- v. JOHN MINOR, “*Minor*”; b. Richmond, ca. 1839, he may have been killed on a mountain lion hunt (this inked in by hand on an unidentified source).

6. **JOHN FRANKLIN⁴ BOTTS**, (*John M.³, Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*) died in 1893. He married MARY JANE FINLEY who died October 1931, age 80.

A cabinet maker by trade, he came to California in 1889.

Child, surname *Botts*:

- i. JAMES MONROE⁵, b. on a farm in Jasper Co., Mo., 23 June 1877. He m. in Vallejo, 17 June 1906 MRS. CARRIE MEILY WICKES, b. Cal., dau. of Edward P. and Maryette (Clute) Meily. James was President of the American Marine Paint Co. A Mason, member of Bohemian Club, Olympic Club, Family Club, San Francisco Gold & Country. Res. 2164 Hyde St.

7. **ELIZABETH⁴ BOTTS**, (*Charles T.³, Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*), was born at Richmond about 1835 and died at Sacramento 10 Oct. 1861 at the age of 32. She married in Sacramento, Dr. WILLIAM DANDRIDGE AYLETT (son of William and Martha A. (Posey) Aylett and grandson of Col. Wm. Aylett of the Virginia Revolutionary forces), who was born at Selma, Alabama, 22 Jan. 1827 and graduated from the University of Virginia Medical school. He was second to Judge Terry in the Broderick-Terry duel. He was twice elected to the Assembly for Shasta Co., was resident physician at Marine Hospital in San Francisco for four years, and was resident physician in charge of the Pacific Insane Asylum at Stockton, 1857-1861. Dr. Aylett died at Paso Robles, Cal., 12 June 1881.[†] His obituary states that he was “an accomplished gentleman of the old school.

* William Walker led an expedition of 45 men from San Francisco to La Paz, Mexico and attempted to conquer the Mexican state of Sonora. They were driven across the border at Tijuana on 8 May 1854 where they were arrested by U.S. authorities. At trial in San Francisco on charges of violating U.S. neutrality laws, all were acquitted. He sailed again on 4 May 1855 from S.F. to Nicaragua where he established himself as dictator. He was shot 12 Sept. 1860 by a firing squad.

[†] George Dorman was unable to locate his grave at Paso Robles.

Affable in his manner, kind hearted and genial in his disposition, hospitable to the verge of prodigality.”

Four children (two died in infancy), surname *Aylett*:

8. i. ALICE DANDRIDGE⁵, b. 1858-9

9. ii. RATHE GUILD, b. ca. 1860

8. **ALICE DANDRIDGE⁵ AYLETT**, (*Elizabeth⁴ Botts, Charles T.³, Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*), was born 1858-9 and died 27 Apr. 1943. She married at San Francisco, 21 July 1886, CHARLES LOVEDALL DELL, Sr. He died in 1902.

Children, surname *Dell*:

i. WILLIAM AYLETT⁶, b. San Francisco, 1887; d. unmarried 28 Oct. 1956

ii. CHARLES L., Jr., b. ca. 1888, d. inf. and bur. Mt. View Cemetery, 11 Oct. 1888.

iii. MARION S., d. inf., bur. 11 Dec. 1890, Mt. View Cemetery.

iv. CLARENCE MARSHALL, d. early teens.

v. MARGARET ELIZABETH, m. HARRY MURR;

Child, *Ruth Dell Murr* who m. Claud Stofer.

9. **RATHE GUILD⁵ AYLETT**, (*Elizabeth⁴ Botts, Charles T.³, Benjamin G.², Joshua¹*), born about 1860, married at Oakland, California, 17 Dec. 1878, Major JOHN WRIGHT CARTER, born 1845. He was a San Francisco attorney, and formerly the youngest officer in Jeb Stuart's Brigade in the Civil War.

Children, surname *Carter*:

i. MAUDE⁶, d. May 1883; bur. Mt. View Cem.

ii. LESLEY RUTLEDGE, res. 10 Throckmorton Rd., Mill Valley, Cal.; a retired clerk formerly with the Dept. of Public Health in San Francisco.

iii. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, a general accountant in New York City in 1957. He married LAURA A. DERMODY of New York.

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RFA Rhodes (1959)
OPR King (1961)
PR Probate Record, Prince William Co.
FR Botts Family Records

There is no picture of Lewis Dente available.

Lewis Dente

The Family of Lewis Dent

1. **THOMAS¹ DENT** was born at the Manor of Gisborough in England, 1630, son of Peter and Margaret (Nicholson) Dent. He settled in Charles Co., Maryland Colony, and died there in 1676. He married REBECCA WILKINSON, daughter of Rev. William and Naomi Wilkinson. Rev. Wilkinson died in 1663, naming his son-in-law Thomas Dent and grandson William Dent in his will.

Children, surname *Dent*,

2. i. WILLIAM², b. by 1663
- ii. THOMAS, m. ANNE BAYNE
- iii. PETER, m. JANE PITTMAN GRAY
- iv. GEORGE, d. ca. 1702
- v. MARGARET, m. 26 May 1681, EDMUND HOWARD
- vi. BARBARA, b. 1676, d. 1754; m. THOMAS BROOKE

2. Maj. **WILLIAM² DENT** (*Thomas¹*), was born by 1663, and married in Charles Co., Md. , 8 Feb. 1684, ELIZABETH FOWKE, daughter of Mrs. Anne Fowke and the late Gerard Fowke of Port Tobacco (or Portobacco). Mrs. Anne Fowke was the daughter of Adam Thoroughgood and Sarah Offley (5th daughter of Robert Offley and Anne Osborne of London). Anne married 1) Job Chandler of "Portoback" who died 1659. She married 2) Gerard Fowke of Charles Co., Md., who died prior to 30 Oct. 1669. Adam Thoroughgood was the seventh son of William Thoroughgood and Anne Edwards, daughter of Henry Edwards of Norwich, England.

William Dent was State's Attorney for St. Mary's, Charles and Calvert Counties.[*CF,MM*]

Children, surname *Dent*,

- i. THOMAS³, bp. 19 Dec. 1685; inherited "Whitehaven"

- ii. WILLIAM, b. 13 Dec. 1687; d. 18 Nov. 1695
- iii. GERARD, bp. 3 Feb. 1688; d. young
- iv. ELIZABETH, b. 1688, d. 1699
- v. GEORGE, b. 27 Sept. 1690; m. ANNE HARBERT
- vi. ANN, b. March 1692; d. unmarried
- 3. vii. PETER, b. 1693
- viii. PHILLIP, “youngest son”
- ix. ELIZABETH, m. RICHARD TARWIN

3. **PETER³ DENT** (*William², Thomas¹*) was born 1693, baptized 13 Jan. 1694, and died 1757. He married his cousin MARY BROOKE, a daughter of Col. Thomas Brooke and Lucy Smith*. He was Deputy Commissary of Prince Georges County for 20 years. He inherited the Whitehaven estate from his brother.

Children, surname *Dent*,

- i. ELIZABETH⁴, b. 23 Apr. 1727, unm.
- 4. ii. PETER, b. 10 Jan. 1728
- iii. WILLIAM, b. 8 Aug. 1730; m. VERLINDA BEALL
- iv. MARY, m. JOHN BEALL
- v. LUCY, m. 11 Feb. 1753, GEORGE HARDY, JR.
- vi. ANNE
- vii. THOMAS, b. 1735; m. ELIZABETH EDELEN
- viii. WALTER, b. 1744, m. ELIZABETH MONTGOMERY
- ix. ELEANOR, m. ALEXANDER BURRELL
- x. BARBARA
- xi. RICHARD, b. 1748, d.s.p. 1808

4. Gen. **PETER⁴ DENT**, (*Peter³, William², Thomas¹*) was born 10 Jan. 1728. He married 1) at St. John’s Parish of Prince George’s County, 6 May 1753, MARY ELEANOR HAWKINS, probably daughter of William

* Parran pg. 139 gives “Thomas Brooke and his second wife, Barbara Dent, a cousin.”

and Sarah (Noble) Hawkins.[†] He married 2) ANNE _____.
[MM,BURNS]

Children, surname *Dent*, by first wife,

5. i. GEORGE⁵, b. ca. 1755
- ii. WILLIAM, b. 4 Mar. 1756/7

Children, by second wife,

- iii. THEODORE, m. ELEANOR SHEID
- iv. MARY ELEANOR, bp. 27 Feb. 1763, m. GEORGE HATTON
- v. JOSEPH, bp. 16 Dec. 1764
- vi. MARTHA, bp. 28 Sept. 1766, m. SAMUEL TUBMAN
- vii. WILLIAM, b. 4 Feb. 1773

Children, maternal parent not assigned,

- viii. THOMAS, d.s.p.
- ix. HENRIETTA, m. _____ DYER
- x. FRANCES A., m. HAWKINS TUBMAN
- xi. SAMUEL B.,

5. **GEORGE⁵ DENT** (*Peter⁴, Peter³, William², Thomas¹*) married SUSANNAH DAWSON, widow of Joseph Cromwell and daughter of John and Martha Ann Dawson. Before 1785 he settled in Washington County. He was surveyor of Allegany Co. and Surveyor General of Maryland before and after the Revolution. He and his wife are buried in Cumberland. [CCG,HAC]

Children, surname *Dent*, (incomplete?)

6. i. FREDERICK FAYETTE⁶, b. Maryland, ca. 1778.

6. Col. **FREDERICK FAYETTE⁶ DENT** (*George⁵, Peter⁴,...*) born at Cumberland, Md. 8 October 1787, the first white child born in that town;

[†] Will of William Hawkins of Prince George's Co., planter, dated 1745, probated 9 Nov. 1751, and quoted in Burns lists sons Noble, James, John, William, Samuel, and Thomas; daughter Mary Eleanor and brother John Hawkins, Sr.

married ELLEN BRAY WRENSHALL. As a young man, he left Cumberland to pursue business interests in Paddytown (opposite New Creek) and then moved on to Pittsburg, Penn. In 1821, he brought his family to St. Louis, Mo., where he purchased a farm which they christened “Whitehaven Farm.” In the Civil War he served as an aide to his son-in-law, Ulysses S. Grant, and in his later years, he lived at the executive mansion in Washington, D.C. and died there in 1876. [ENC,HCM]

Children, surname *Dent*,

- i. Capt. JOHN CROMWELL⁷, b. ca. 1817; m. 1) ELLEN DEAN of St. Louis (d. at S.F., 29 March 1856 [SUI]); 2) after 1860, ANNA AMANDA SHURLDS
- 7. ii. GEORGE WRENSHALL, b. 1819, m. MARY SHURLDS
- iii. FREDERICK TRACY, m. HELEN LYND
- 8. iv. LOUIS, b. 1823
- v. JULIA BOGGS, m. 22 Aug. 1848, future U.S. Pres. ULYSSES SIMPSON GRANT
- vi. ELLEN WRENSHALL, b. 1828, m. ALEXANDER SHARP
- vii. MARY
- viii. EMILY MARBURY, b. 16 June 1836, m. JAMES FINNIE CASEY

7. **GEORGE WRENSHALL⁷ DENT** (*Frederick⁶, George⁵, Peter⁴, 1/4*) was born in Missouri circa 1819 and died at Berkeley, Cal., 17 Jan. 1899. (*SFC, DAG, BBC*). He married in 1841, MARY ISABELLA SHURLDS (1822-1907). They settled in Stockton, California

Children, surname *Dent*, born in St. Louis, Mo., (incomplete)

- 9. i. HENRY S.⁷, b. ca. 24 Jan. 1844; d. San Francisco, 21 Feb. 1875
 - ii. ELLEN W., b. ca. 1845
 - iii. FREDERICK, b. ca. 1847
8. **LEWIS⁷ DENT** (*Frederick⁶, George⁵, Peter⁴,...*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Whitehaven Farm, St. Louis, Mo., 3 Mar. 1823 and died at Washington, D.C., 22 March 1874 as the result of extensive cancer involving the liver, spleen, pancreas, kidneys and lungs, which was not discovered until the post-mortem examination. Although named Louis at birth, he commonly signed his name “Lewis.” He married at Stockton, Cal., 13 Dec. 1855, ANNA ELIZABETH BAINE, a

daughter of Judge Baine[‡], formerly of Mississippi (*SFB*). She died 10 Feb. 1920 at Easton, Penn. [*NYT1, KNAVE*].

Lewis Dent came to California in 1847 with General Kearney's troops at the outbreak of the Mexican War. He settled in Monterey and engaged in business with his brothers, John and George W. Together, they established what was known as "Knights Ferry." He served as representative from Monterey at the Constitutional Convention.

For several years he practiced law in Sacramento and San Francisco, leading to an appointment to a seat on the bench. In 1862 he returned to St. Louis, and from 1863 to 1867 was extensively engaged in cotton planting in Louisiana and Mississippi, where he rented large plantations.

In the fall of 1867, he took up residence in Washington, D.C., where he returned to the practice of law. His success was, no doubt, abetted by his personal connections. In 1869, his sister became First Lady with the election of Ulysses S. Grant to the Presidency.

In the months prior to his death, Lewis converted to the Catholic faith. The President and his wife and other relatives were at his bedside when he died. His remains were shipped by train to St. Louis for burial. His estate barely covered his debts. (*NR, ES*)

Children, surname *Dent*,

- i. BAINE CARRUTHERS⁸, b. ca. 1857 in Iowa (*CAL60*); d. 10 Oct. 1916 at Vineland, N.J. Res. Wheeling, W. V. in 1908. He was a cadet midshipman in the U. S. Naval Academy, graduating in 1874. He retired as an ensign 4 June 1890. He is bur. at Leavenworth, Kansas. [*NYT3*]
- ii. "Judge" LEWIS, b. ca. 1864 in Missouri. Said to have res. Charleston, W. Va.

[‡] Judge A. C. BAINE was born in 1812 in North Carolina. He died in San Francisco and is buried in the Mission Dolores cemetery. He married MELINDA _____, born about 1814 in Virginia. They had at least four children.

1) SOPHIA C., b. ca. 1836 in Miss.; m. at either Stockton or Marysville, 29 Sept. 1853, RUFUS C. HOPKINS of S. F.

2) ANN ELIZABETH, b. ca. 1839, Miss.

3) ADA (twin), b. ca. 1842, Miss.

4) JULIA (twin), b. ca. 1842, Miss.; m. at Stockton, 1859, DENNIS JOSEPH CALLAHAN, a native of Dublin, Ireland. He d. San Francisco, 5 Nov. 1889, aged 65.

5) KATE V., b. ca. 1849, Miss.

iii. ULYSSES GRANT, b. ca. 1865 in Missouri.

iv. BETTY, b. ca. 1869, Washington, D.C. ; m. 9 Oct. 1895, HENRY GERRISH SMITH of Bethlehem, Penn. and New York City, b. 9 April 1870 at Warrensville, Ohio. He graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1891 and studied at the Royal Naval College from 1891-94. He served as President of the National Council of American Shipbuilders in 1936 and was Board Chairman in 1956. He m. 2) Lucy Margaret Gleason, at Montclair, N.J., 24 Sept. 1936. Betty and Henry had two children: one daughter, *Betty Dent Smith*, who married Lt. T. F. C. Walker, USN in April of 1925, and a son, *Charles Raymond Smith*. [NYT2]

9. **HENRY S.⁸ DENT** (*George W.⁷, Frederick⁶, George⁵, Peter⁴,...*) oldest son of George Wrenshall Dent, was born at St. Louis about 24 Jan. 1844 and died at San Francisco, 21 Feb. 1875. He married THEODATE B. STEDMAN, daughter of William Stedman. She was born in Alabama, although her father was from Maine.

Children, surname *Dent*, born in California,

i. MAUDE M.⁹, b. ca. 1864

10. ii. WRENSHALL STEDMAN, b. 1870

10. **WRENSHALL STEDMAN⁹ DENT** (*Henry⁸, George W.⁷, Frederick⁶, George⁵, Peter⁴,...*), born 1870, died circa 1935. He married 1) CATHERINE EMILY MITCHELL of Maine and they resided at 1312 Broderick St. in San Francisco. He married 2) ISABELLE _____.

Children, surname *Dent*, (incomplete?)

i. ULYSSES GRANT¹⁰, b. 1902 and died about 1935. He married, 1923, BERTHA BREYER of San. Francisco.

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A. W. Hallenck

The Family of Henry Wager Halleck

1. **PETER¹ HALLOCK** came from England to Southold, Long Island in 1640 as a victim of religious persecution. He married as his second wife, in England, the widow of Mr. Howell. She brought to the family two children, Margaret and Richard.

Child, surname *Hallock*,

2. i. WILLIAM²

2. **WILLIAM² HALLOCK**, (*Peter¹*) born in England, about 1620 and died at Southold, 29 Sept. 1684. He married MARGARET HOWELL, the daughter of his stepmother's first husband and his first wife.

Children, surname *Hallock*,

i. ELIZABETH³, b. ca. 1642 and m. her half-uncle RICHARD HOWELL.

ii. MARGARET

iii. MARTHA

iv. SARAH

v. ABIGAIL, b. 1656; m. _____ HORTON.

vi. JOHN, b. ca. 1658; m. a Quakeress and joined the Society of Friends, much to the displeasure of his father.

vii. THOMAS, b. 1660

3.viii. PETER, b. 1665

ix. WILLIAM, b. 1667

3. **PETER³ HALLOCK**, (*William², Peter¹*) born in 1667, married ELIZA _____.

Children, surname *Hallock*,

i. WILLIAM⁴, b. 1690; d. young, at sea.

- 4. ii. PETER, b. 1694
- iii. NOAH, b. 1696
- iv. BETHIA, b. ca. 1699
- v. ABIAH, b. 1702; m. _____ LUCE.

4. **PETER⁴ HALLOCK**, (*Peter³, William², Peter¹*) was born in 1694 and died August 1756. He married, 30 Nov. 1727 MRS. MARY BOOTH and resided in Mattituck, L.I.

Children, surname *Hallock*,

- 5. I. Maj. PETER⁵, b. 1729
 - ii. MARY, b. 1730; m. _____ CLEAVES.
 - iii. ELIZABETH, b. 1731; m. _____ CORWIN.
 - iv. ANNA, b. 1735; m. _____ CASE.
 - v. SARAH, b. 1736; m. _____ TERRY.
 - vi. EUNICE, b. 1737; m. _____ WINES.
 - vii. ABIGAIL, b. 1740; m. _____ EDWARDS.
 - viii. WILLIAM, b. 1741
 - ix. ELIZA, b. 1743
 - x. AZUBA, b. 1745; d. age 9 years.
 - xi. BETHIAH, b. 1750; m. _____ TERRY.

5. Major **PETER⁵ HALLOCK**, (*Peter⁴, Peter³, William², Peter¹*) was born in 1729 and died 13 May 1791. He married JOANNA MAPES, daughter of Joseph Mapes. He commanded an armed vessel patrolling Long Island Sound in the Revolution.

Children, surname *Hallock*,

- i. JEMIMA⁶, b. 1751; m. _____ PIKE.
- ii. CAPT. JOSEPH, b. ca. 1752
- iii. PETER, b. 1753; m. ANNA BROWN.
- iv. JOANNA, b. 1755; m. _____ CORWIN.
- v. WILLIAM, b. ca. 1757

- vi. FREDERICK 1ST, b. 1759
- vii. ELIZABETH, b. 1760; m. _____ DIMON.
- 6.viii. DEA. JABEZ, b. 13 Mar. 1761
- ix. JAMES, b. ca. 1762

6. Deacon **JABEZ⁶ HALLOCK**, (*Peter⁵, Peter⁴, Peter³, William², Peter¹*) was born 13 Mar. 1761 and died 17 Sept. 1863. He married 1) 9 Dec. 1784 SARAH WINES, who was born 13 Mar. 1761 and died 29 Nov. 1834. He married 2) about 1836, REBECCA _____, born 1762 and died 10 Apr. 1861. He settled in Westernville, N.Y. in 1799.

Children, surname *Hallock*,

- 7. i. LIEUT. JOSEPH⁷, b. 1785
- ii. ELINOR, b. 15 Aug. 1790, d. 1 Sept. 1792
- iii. ELIZABETH, b. 1797; m. _____ CORWIN.
- iv. SARAH, b. 1794; m. _____ MCCLENAHAN.
- v. JABEZ, b. 1798
- vi. BARNABAS WINES, b. 1807

7. Lieut. **JOSEPH⁷ HALLECK**, (*Jabez⁶, Peter⁵, Peter⁴, Peter³, William², Peter¹*) was born at Southold, Long Island, 16 Oct. 1785 and died at Westernville, N.Y., 22 June 1857. He married, 7 March 1813, CATHERINE WAGER, daughter of Henry Wager.

Children, surname *Halleck*,

- 8. i. HENRY WAGER⁸, b. 16 Jan. 1815/9
- ii. ELIZABETH W., b. 16 Oct. 1815, d. 15 July 1885
- iii. SARAH, b. 1817; m. _____ BUSSEY.
- iv. CATHERINE, b. 1819; m. _____ WILLARD.
- v. JABEZ, b. 15 Jan. 1821, d. at Monterey, Cal. 29 Nov. 1849.
- vi. JOSEPH, b. 1822
- vii. WILLIAM WINES, b. 26 Nov. 1826
- viii. DAVID, b. 1 June 1828, d. 17 Jan. 1832

- ix. ANDREW JACKSON, b. 5 Sept. 1830, d. 24 Dec. 1867, lost at sea.
- x. PETER, b. 1832
- xi. GEORGE, b. 29 Sept. 1834, d. 19 Apr. 1835
- xii. ELLEN MILLS, b. 1836; m. _____ COGGSWELL.
- viii. JOHN, b. 5 May 1839; d. 21 Apr. 1840

8. **HENRY WAGER⁸ HALLECK**, (*Joseph⁷, Jabez⁶, Peter⁵, Peter⁴, Peter³, William², Peter¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Westernville (now Waterville), Oneida Co., N.Y., 16 Jan. 1815. He died 9 Jan. 1872 at Louisville, Ky., aged 56 years, and is buried at Greenwood Cemetery. He married on 10 April 1855, ELIZABETH HAMILTON (daughter of John Church Hamilton and Maria Eliza van den Heuval), born 9 Feb. 1831 and died 16 Sept. 1897 at Newport, R.I. She was a granddaughter of Alexander Hamilton and Philip Schuyler.

Halleck graduated from West Point in 1839 graduating third in a class of 31. Highly regarded in military circles, he was given a research commission in France and returned to publish *Elements of Military Art and Science* (1846).

He came to California while serving under Kearny and Mason from 1847-49. While Gen. Bennet Riley was Military Governor, Halleck served as Secretary of State, the position he held during the constitutional convention. He was residing in Monterey in 1849 and his home was one of the social centers for the other convention delegates. Halleck resigned from the army in 1854 as a Captain and returned to California to become head of the leading law firm. He published *A collection of mining laws of Spain and Mexico* (1859) and *International Law; or, Rules regulating the intercourse of states in peace and war* (1861).

On 11 May 1861 with Civil War breaking out in the east, he sailed with his family via Panama back to the east coast in the steamer *St. Louis*.^[SU] In August of that year, President Lincoln appointed him Major-General and in November, he succeeded Fremont in the command of the Missouri Department. Halleck proved to be cautious and indecisive in his leadership and was recalled to Washington in July of 1862 to work in the administration, as General-in-Chief to the President. Later, when rising star Ulysses S. Grant was promoted to Lieutenant

General, Lincoln made Halleck his Chief of Staff to avoid the embarrassment of promoting the younger Grant over Halleck.

In August of 1865, after a short stint in command of the Army of the James, Halleck came to California for a third time to take over command of the Division of the Pacific. He held this position until 1869 when he was transferred to the command of the Division of the South in Louisville.

Following his death, Elizabeth married 2) 23 Sept. 1875, Gen. George W. Callum, bringing to the marriage a sizeable fortune left to her by her late husband. Most of this fortune was devoted to public use. Callum was the son of Arthur and Harriet Callum and was born at New York City, 25 Feb. 1809 and died 28 Feb. 1892. [NCAB,DAB1]

Child, surname *Halleck*,

- i. HENRY WAGER⁹, b. 1856, d. at Littleton, Halifax Co., N.C., 26 May 1883 (or 8 May 1882 or 18 May 1881. His estate of \$200,000 went to his mother.

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Thomas O. Larkin

The Family of Thomas Oliver Larkin

1. **EDWARD¹ LARKIN**, turner* and wheelmaker, was born in England. He settled in Charlestown, Mass. prior to 30 May 1638. He married JOAN _____.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

2. i. JOHN², b. 10 Mar. 1640
 - ii. ELIZABETH, b. 5 Sep. 1641, m. JOHN NEWTON.
 - iii. HANNAH, b. 16 Mar. 1643, m. JOHN NEWELL.
 - iv. THOMAS, b. 18 Oct. 1644, m. 1) HANNAH REMINGTON, 2) ELIZABETH DOWSE.
 - v. JOANNA, b. June 1646, m. MOSES NEWTON.
 - vi. SARAH, b. 12 Mar. 1647, m. JOHN WHEELER.

2. **JOHN² LARKIN**, (*Edward¹*), turner, was born 10 Mar. 1640 and died of smallpox, 17 Feb. 1667/8. He married, 9 Nov. 1664, JOANNA HALE, daughter of deacon Robert and Joanna (Cutter) Hale.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

3. i. EDWARD³, b. 22 Feb. 1668
 - ii. JOHN, b. 26 Dec. 1670, d. 1698
 - iii. JOANNA, b. 13 May 1673, d. 3 June 1673
 - iv. ROBERT, b. 24 Jun. 1674, d. 1 Aug. 1675
 - v. JOANNA, b. 8 Mar. 1675/6, m. JOHN THORNDIKE of Beverly.
 - vi. SARAH, b. 27 Nov. 1677; m. DAVID FAY.

3. **EDWARD³ LARKIN**, (*John², Edward¹*), chair maker, was born 22 Feb. 1669. He married, 1 Nov. 1688, MARY WALKER, daughter of John and Hannah (Mirick) Walker.

* The term "turner" refers to wood-turning, or lathe work.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

- i. EDWARD⁴, b. 18 Aug. 1689, d. 18 Nov. 1689.
- ii. JOHN, b. 5 Sept. 1690, m. MARY HALLOWELL.
- iii. MARY, b. 7 Sept. 1693; m. JOSEPH TREAT, of Boston.
- iv. JOHN, b. 6 Feb. 1695.
- v. EDWARD, b. 9 Sept. 1696, m. 1) LYDIA HILL, 2) HEPHZIBAH BELLOWS.
- vi. JOANNA, b. 19 March 1699; m. EBEN NEWTON, of Marlboro.
- 4. vii. SAMUEL, b. 22 Oct. 1701
- viii. ANN, b. 16 May 1704; m. CONSTANT FREEMAN, of Truro.

4. **SAMUEL⁴ LARKIN**, (*Edward³, John², Edward¹*), was born 22 Oct. 1701 and died 8 Oct. 1784. He married, 1) at Charlestown, 3 March 1751, MARY HICKS, who died 12 March 1751. He married 2) 28 May 1751, HANNAH HARRIS, who died in Boston on 30 Oct. 1798.

Samuel was one of forty-five signers of a public petition against the importing of tea, less than a month before the Boston Tea Party. He was the owner of "Brown Beauty", the horse borrowed by Paul Revere for his famous ride to Lexington. Samuel never saw the horse again. His homestead was burned by the British.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

- i. SAMUEL⁵, b. 2 Dec. 1724, m. HEPZIBAH LARKIN.
- ii. JOSEPH, b. 11 Sept. 1726, m. 1) THANKFUL CHAMBERLAIN, 2) LUCY HUNNEWELL.
- iii. MARY, b. 22 Sept. 1728
- iv. MARY, b. 22 June 1729
- v. MARY, b. 31 Aug. 1730; m. STEPHEN GULLISON.
- vi. JOHN, b. 18 May 1733, d. 29 Sept. 1734
- vii. JOHN, b. 3 Apr. 1735, m. RUTH KETTELL.
- viii. ZACHARIAH, b. 4 Mar. 1737, m. SARAH SWEETSER.
- 5. ix. EBENEZER, b. 13 May 1740
- x. ISAAC, b. 27 Feb. 1743, m. ABIGAIL HARDLING.

5. **EBENEZER⁵ LARKIN**, (*Samuel⁴, Edward³, John², Edward¹*), born 13 May 1740; died 30 March 1794. He married on 9 Sept. 1791, MARY OLIVER, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Bradish) Oliver of Cambridge. She was born 27 Oct. 1743 and died 18 July 1810.

Ebenezer fought in the Battle of Bunker Hill and his house was burned by hot shot from Lord Howe's British fleet. Following the revolution, he was a ferryman on the Charles River. When the Charlestown Bridge was opened, he was appointed one of the toll-takers, a position he held until his death.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

- i. MARY⁶, b. 25 Nov. 1761; m. 1) THOMAS HOWE of Boston, 2) JAMES SLOANE at Essequibo, British Guiana, 3) WILLIAM LEWIS, of Boston.
- ii. REBECCA, b. 10 Nov. 1763; d. 26 Jan. 1825, unmarried.
- iii. RUTH, b. 31 Aug. 1765; m. AMARIAH CHILDS, his first wife.
- iv. EBENEZER, b. 14 Aug. 1767; m. 1) SUSAN MAKEPEACE, 2) MARY HOWE.
6. v. THOMAS OLIVER, b. 11 July 1769.
 - vi. ISAAC, b. 4 Aug. 1771; m. ABIGAIL WEST.
 - vii. SAMUEL, b. 10 May 1773; m. ANN JAFFREY.
 - viii. daughter, (twin), b. 14 April and d. 6 May 1775.
 - ix. daughter, (twin), b. 14 April and d. 6 May 1775.
 - x. HEPSIBAH, b. 14 April 1776, d. 15 Oct. 1787.
 - xi. CATHERINE, b. March 1778, d. 6 April 1778.
 - xii. CATHERINE, b. 4 Oct. 1779, m. EDWIN GOODWIN.
 - xiii. BETSEY, b. 21 Feb. 1782, d. 11 July 1783.
 - xiv. BETSEY, b. 6 Sept. 1784, m. AMARIAH CHILDS, his third wife.
 - xv. SOPHIA OLIVER, b. 29 April 1786, m. ENSIGN LINCOLN.
 - xvi. JOHN, b. 17 Feb. 1788, d. 12 May 1788
 - xvii. JOHN, b. 10 June 1790, m. ELIZA TUCKERMAN.

6. **THOMAS OLIVER⁶ LARKIN**, (*Ebenezer⁵, Samuel⁴, Edward³, John², Edward¹*), was born July 11 1769 and died 18 April, 1808. He married, 1) 3 May 1796, HANNAH CORDIS of Concord, Mass. She died on 28 Oct.

1796. He married as her second husband 2) Mrs. ANN (ROGERS) COOPER, the daughter of an English sea captain, William Rogers of Alderney in the Channel Islands. She was the widow of Thomas Cooper, another sea captain by whom she had one son. She married, 3) on 24 Oct. 1813, AMARIAH CHILDS, as his second wife.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

7. i. THOMAS OLIVER⁷, b. 16 Sept. 1802.
- ii. ANN ROGERS, b. and d. 1803
- iii. ANN ROGERS, b. 12 Nov. 1804; m. OTIS WRIGHT of Lynn.
- iv. WILLIAM MATTICKS ROGERS, b. and d. 1805.
- v. WILLIAM MATTICKS ROGERS, b. 25 May 1807 and d. 4 Sept. 1825 in Wilmington, N.C.

7. **THOMAS OLIVER⁷ LARKIN**, (*Thomas O.⁶, Ebenezer⁵, Samuel⁴, Edward³, John², Edward¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Charlestown, Mass., 16 Sept. 1802 and died at Colusa, California, 27 Oct. 1858. He married at Santa Barbara, on board the American bark *Volunteer*, 10 June 1833, RACHEL M. HOBSON, daughter of Daniel and Eliza Hobson and widow of a Danish seaman, Capt. A. C. Holmes. She was born at Ipswich, Mass. 30 Apr. 1807, and died at San Francisco, 29 Oct. 1873. The U. S. Consul for the Sandwich Islands, John Coffin Jones, performed the ceremony and years later when it was discovered he did not have the authority to perform the service, they had to be remarried.

At the age of 15, Thomas O. Larkin went to Boston to apprentice as a bookbinder but decided against the business. In 1821 he sailed to Wilmington, North Carolina, where he worked as a clerk and experienced a disastrous partnership with a dishonest merchant. He visited Bermuda in 1822 and relatives in New England in 1824. In 1825 he opened a store in Duplin, N.C. The fortune he made on the store he lost on a sawmill operation, and in 1830 he returned to Massachusetts, destitute. Here he learned that his half-brother, John the Baptist Rogers Cooper, needed his assistance with a business in California and on 5 Sept. 1831, Thomas left Boston on the ship *Newcastle*. After a stopover in the Sandwich Islands, he landed in San Francisco in April 1832.

Aboard ship, he met and developed an intimate relationship with Mrs. Rachel Hobson Holmes, who was coming to California to join her husband. They traveled together from San Francisco to Monterey where they both boarded at the Cooper house. When Rachel learned she was carrying Thomas' child, she discretely moved to Santa Barbara while Thomas remained in Monterey, working with his brother. At Santa Barbara, Rachel gave birth and awaited a dreadful reunion with her husband, but within a few weeks, she learned that her husband had died a year before while at sea on route to Lima.

Larkin worked as a clerk for John B. R. Cooper until early 1833 when he was able to start a small store of his own and build a "double geared" flour mill, the first of its kind on the west coast. He was able to invest again in a sawmill, this time in Santa Cruz. He built his wife a house in Monterey that mixed New England and California architectural styles and which is today a California Historical Landmark. He built the first wharf for ships and was commissioned to rebuild the Monterey Customs House. He engaged in trade with Mexico, the Sandwich Islands and China.

As a prominent figure in the occasional capital of a distant province of an occasionally unstable nation, Larkin stood in a position of influence that could easily have been his undoing if he chose the wrong side. That fact that he was able to survive through shifting administrations is testimony to his skill at dealing with people. Despite being a supporter of Alvarado, he did not involve himself with Isaac Graham's rebel army and was not one of those sent to Mexico City in chains in 1840. He loaned money to Alvarado's successor, Micheltorena, which he lost when the Governor was overthrown by Alvarado in 1844. He never applied for Mexican citizenship, which required conversion to Catholicism. He renewed his visa annually to maintain his legal status. As a non-citizen, he could not legally own land, but he managed to obtain land grants in the names of his children.

In 1842, Monterey was surprised by the troops of U. S. Commodore Thomas ap Catesby Jones who had become convinced that war had broken out between the U. S. and Mexico. Thomas O. Larkin and William Hartnell (q.v.) worked to smooth over the situation. Jones was induced to submit a written apology to the angry Mexican officials and

withdraw his troops. The Commodore was subsequently removed from his command but U. S.-Mexican relations were not harmed.

The successful conclusion to the affair brought Larkin to the attention of officials in Washington and in 1843, President Tyler appointed Larkin as the first (and last) American consul to California. The following year he thwarted a British attempt to acquire California while he was assisting the Mexican government in building a smallpox hospital in Monterey.

With the rise of James K. Polk to the Presidency in 1845, war with Mexico seemed unavoidable. Larkin hired William A. Leidesdorff as Vice Consul in San Francisco thus relieving himself of some of the burden of the office.

Early in 1846, he received instructions from Secretary of State Buchanan to begin working covertly to assure all concerned that the United States would support any attempt at secession from Mexico. He secretly employed **Abel Stearns** to work in Southern California. He volunteered to go to Mexico City on behalf of the United States to work out a peaceful settlement, but the Polk Administration had already declared war by the time his letter arrived in Washington. He had entered into a dialog with General **Mariano Vallejo** with the goal of arranging a peaceful annexation of California when the Bear Flag Revolt occurred on June 14th and the General was kidnapped and imprisoned by a band of Americans out of Sutter's Fort loosely led by **Robert Semple**.

The revolt came as a surprise to Larkin, but a bigger surprise came on July 7 when Commodore Sloat re-enacted the previous invasion of Monterey and raised the American flag over the Customs House. Stockton replaced Sloat a week later and Larkin joined the force sailing for Southern California to continue the conquest. General Castro and Governor Pico fled south and the area was occupied without a battle. Stockton appointed Larkin as Naval agent and Larkin returned to Monterey to obtain much-needed supplies for the armed forces.

The apparently flawless conquest of California soon began to fall apart. Revolts broke out in Los Angeles and the occupation forces were driven out. Castro returned and Larkin moved his family to Yerba Buena (San Francisco) as the Californios throughout the province were reorganizing to repel the invaders. He himself was captured outside of the city and forced to ride to Santa Barbara. En route, he witnessed the

Battle of Natividad (near Salinas) from General Castro's side. He was later imprisoned in Los Angeles and was not reunited with his family until after the signing of the Treaty of Cahuenga.

Now free to own land in his own name, Larkin turned his attention to his new opportunities. In partnership with **Robert Semple**, he established the city at the Carquinas Straits that became Benicia, but Larkin's business interests were in San Francisco and he sold out his share after a few years. As he took control of his own affairs, his relationship with Leidesdorff fell apart. By the time of the Gold Rush, Larkin had permanently settled in the city by the Bay and was there in time for the economic boom that followed. It was as a representative from San Francisco that he served at the 1849 Constitutional Convention.

Early in 1850, he built the first brick building in San Francisco at 1116 Stockton Street. Later that same year, he returned to New York and remained there until 1853 for the education of his children. During this time he pressed the Federal government for compensation for money he claimed he had spent on Naval supplies and for work on the Monterey Customs House and the wharf there, without satisfaction.

In his last years, Larkin engaged in land speculation and was thought by some to be the richest man in America. In 1858, while at Colusa, he contracted typhoid fever and died within a week. He was buried in what was the Laurel Hill Cemetery in S.F.

Children, surname *Larkin*,

- i. ISABEL ANN⁸, b. at Santa Barbara, b. Jan. 1833, d. July 1833
- ii. THOMAS OLIVER, JR., b. at Monterey, 13 Apr. 1834, has gone down in history as the first white child born of American parents in California over his forgotten elder sister. He died of pneumonia in San Francisco in July of 1898 [*LAHE*]
- iii. WILLIAM ROGERS, b. 25 Aug. 1835, d. at Monterey, 6 Jan. 1836.
- iv. FREDERICK HOBSON, b. 23 Dec. 1836, d. 14 May, 1869; m. at Sonoma, 24 Nov. 1882, LOUISE LOVE, dau. of Nicholas.
- v. HENRY ROGERS, b. 26 May 1838, d. at Monterey, 18 Nov. 1838.
- vi. FRANCIS ROGERS, b. 28 Jan. 1840, d. 28 July 1874 at S. F.

vii. CAROLINA ANN, b. Monterey, 24 Mar. 1842, d. 1891; m. 2 Oct. 1862 to WILLIAM SAMPSON TAMS, son of Sampson and Ann Hennessey (Deas) Tams, b. 1828 at Philadelphia, d. 1 Jan. 1913.

viii. SOPHIA ADELINE, b. 20 June, 1843, d. 28 Nov. 1846 at S.F.

8. ix. ALFRED OTIS, b. at Monterey, 10 April, 1847.

8. **ALFRED OTIS⁸ LARKIN**, (*Thomas O.⁷, Thomas O.⁶, Ebenezer⁵, Samuel⁴, Edward³, John², Edward¹*) was born at Monterey, 10 April 1847 and died in China. He married, 20 June 1878, MARY LOUISE BALL, daughter of T. M. Ball of Portsmouth, N.H.

Child, surname *Larkin*,

i. ALICE SISTARE⁹, b. 5 Dec. 1879; m. HENRY WROUGHTON TOULMIN, who was b. at St. Albans, Herts., England, 2 March 1871 and d. at Monterey, 21 July 1952.

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The Family of Pacificus Ord

1. **JAMES¹ ORD**, was baptized at the Church of St. Mary and St. Michael (Catholic) in London, Apr. 9, 1786, the adopted son of Ralph and Mary Ord. He claimed to be the son of King George IV and Mrs. Maria Fitzherbert.

Documents copied in London show that Ralph Ord died shortly after 9 Apr. 1786 and his widow, Mary, and their son, James, were taken under the care of Ralph's unmarried brother, James. He was a shipbuilder who had been discharged from the navy on 19 May 1779 at the age of 40. The elder James signed an agreement on 28 Aug. 1786 with the Spanish ambassadors in London operating on the orders of the Spanish Prime Minister under which he was to serve the King of Spain for fourteen* years. He took his mother, Helen Ord, sister-in-law and adopted son with him to Spain and at the end of the contract, in 1790, brought the family to America from Bilbao. They settled for some time in Norfolk, Va. Helen died in 1791 and Mary died in 1792.

James moved to Charles Co., Md. where he built a sloop for one John Brent.

2. **JAMES² ORD, Jr. (*James¹*)**, was born in 1786. He died 25 Jan. or Feb. 1873 at Omaha, Nebraska at age 86-87 and is buried at Arlington Cemetery. He married at Baltimore, Md., 29 Sept. 1814, **REBECCA RUTH CRESAP**, daughter of Col. Daniel Cresap. [*MPH*] She was born 22 Oct., 1794 near Cumberland, Md. and died 10 April, 1860 at Aptos. Her remains were reinterred at Arlington Cemetery in 1931.

He received schooling in Charles Co., Md. under Master Thomas K. Davis, afterward sheriff. In 1799, he moved to the farm of Notley Young, a clergyman near Washington, D.C. and was placed in the primary grade at Georgetown College, a Jesuit institution. James Ord was an officer in the U.S. Navy and Lieutenant in 1812.

* Given the other data, this should probably read "four years," not "fourteen years." - ed.

Children, surname *Ord*:

- i. DANIEL³, d. inf.
- 3. ii. PACIFICUS, Judge, b. 16 Oct. 1816, Allegany Co., Md.
- 4. iii. EDWARD OTHO CRESAP, b. 16 Oct. 1816, Allegany Co., Md.;
- iv. RAPHAEL, b. 1820, d. inf.
- v. PLACIDUS, b. 1821, d. 1876. He had nine children.
- vi. JAMES LYCURGUS, b. Washington, D.C. , 1822 and removed to California in 1847; res. Santa Barbara. He m. 1) 1856, ANGUSTIAS DE LA GUERRA Y CESARIN, 2) Mrs. LAURA E. LOWRIE (Sp) [*HILL*]
- vii. SEPTIMUS, b. 1825, d. inf.
- 5.viii. ROBERT BRENT, b. 4 Mar. 1827
- ix. WILLIAM MARCELLUS, "Marcy"; b. Washington, D.C. 1829; d. Santa Cruz, 26 Apr. 1882, aged 51 years. He was a farmer in Santa Cruz where he also served as Justice of the Peace. He married ANNE (ELLIOTT) WILLIAMS (b. Beampton, England; d. Santa Cruz, 4 Jan. 1899, aged 65). They had one child.
- x. MARY ELIZABETH, b. 1830, d. inf.
- xi. JOHN STEPHEN, b. 1832, d. 1911; res. Aptos, California and had five children.
- xii. GEORGIANA CATHERINE, "only daughter", b. 1832, m. Sept. 1858, Judge SAMUEL W. HOLLIDAY, a San Francisco attorney. She had three children and d. San Francisco, 1921, aged 86 years.[*GB*]
- xiii. another daughter, said to have married Gen. TREVINO of Mexico.
- xiv. GEORGE ROBERT, Judge, Montecito

3. **PACIFICUS³ ORD** (*James², James¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Cumberland, Allegany Co., Md., Oct. 16, 1816, and died at Washington, D.C., 11 May 1900 at age 84. [*WP, CALL*] He married 1) at New Orleans, La. in 1848, MARIA LOUISA POGUE, who was born in Illinois, 1823 and died at Monterey, Cal., 23 Apr. 1854. [*WW*] He married 2) Mrs. HELEN REBECCA (FRANK) MASTERSON, who died at Pau, France circa 1860 and is now buried in Greenwood Cemetery, New York City. He married 3) 22 Oct. 1873, Mrs. ANNIE GREER (or GREEN?), a wealthy widow. She died in 1900, before her husband. [*SFC, DAC*]

Pacificus Ord came to San Francisco from Louisiana with his father and brother (later General Edward Otho Cresap Ord) arriving on 28 Feb. 1849 on the *California* along with **McDougal** and **Price**. He was

appointed to the California Supreme Court 30 Aug. 1849 and was appointed in 1855 as District Attorney for the Southern District of California. Resplendent in his long white hair and full white beard, Pacificus was described in O'Neill's History as "venerable and stately, one of the most prominent of California pioneers." [*HSBO, FSP*]

Children, surname *Ord*:

- i. MARIA LOUISA⁴, bp. at Monterey, Cal. 12 May 1850, d. 1854 [*MBB*]
- 6. ii. MARY ELIZABETH, b. Monterey, 1850.
- 7. iii. JOSEPH PACIFICUS, b. Monterey, 30 Apr., 1852.
- iv. GEORGE LEE, b. 1854, d. in inf.

4. **EDWARD OTHO CRESAP³ ORD** (*James², James¹*), Major General; West Point 1839; was born 16 Oct. 1816, Allegany Co., Md. He married MARY M. THOMPSON, 14 Oct. 1854 in San Francisco by Bishop Kip. They had thirteen children. He died 22 July 1883 in Havana, Cuba and is buried in the Arlington National Cemetery.

He was a Civil War hero and a participant in California's struggle for independence. [*DAB*]

Children (incomplete), surname *Ord*:

- i. Capt. EDWARD OTHO CRESAP⁴, b. Benicia. He married at San Antonio, Texas, 9 Nov. 1879, MARY FRANCES NORTON, b. Refugio, Tex., dau. of Charles Gilman (b. Maine, 1827) and Fanny (Brown) Norton. One child, surname *Ord*: *Henry Norton*, b. Fort Clark, Tex.

5. **ROBERT BRENT³ ORD** (*James², James¹*) was born at Washington, D.C. ; 4 Mar. 1827, and died at Santa Barbara, 20 Oct. 1889, aged 62 years and 7 months. He married 24 Aug. 1859 at Santa Cruz or Colusa Co., ELIZABETH GOOD, daughter of John and Jane (Radon) Good, who was born in England in 1829 and died circa 1880. [*SU*]

He removed to California and was a well-known stock raiser in Colusa County and later a city judge in Santa Barbara.

Eight children, surname *Ord*, including:

- i. MABELLE RUTH⁴, b. Santa Barbara; 7 Apr., 1886, m. 10 May 1913 as his second wife, HENRY WHARTON SHOEMAKER, b. 1882, s. of Henry Francis & Blanche (Quiggle) Shoemaker. They res. New York City.

6. **MARY ELIZABETH⁴ ORD** (*Pacificus³, James², James¹*) was born at Monterey, Cal.; in 1850 and died at Englewood, N.J. Oct. 1914 at the age of 63 "the Sunday evening before the 18th."[†] She married in 1870, Col. ALBERT WILLIAM PRESTON, son of Willard Tucker and Abigail (Vanderpoel) Preston. He was born in 1843 and grew up in Rochester, N.Y. He died 13 Sept. 1883 in St. Helena, Cal. Mary lived in San Francisco until after he died. [*HEIT*]

Children, surname *Preston*:

- 8. i. ALBERTA LOUISE⁵, b. 1871
- 9. ii. ORD, b. St. Helena, 15 Aug. 1874.

7. **JOSEPH PACIFICUS⁴ ORD** (*Pacificus³, James², James¹*) was born at Monterey, Cal., 30 Apr. 1852 and died at New York City, 9 Jan. 1913. He was married at the All Saints Cathedral Church of Schenectady, N.Y., 12 Aug. 1866, to SUSAN VANDERPOEL, the daughter of Isaac and Susan (Foster) Vanderpoel, born at Albany, N.Y., 12 Aug. 1866 and died at New York City, July 1940. (Isaac Vanderpoel was the State Treasurer. Susan Foster was the daughter of Adams Foster)

Joseph graduated from Yale in 1873 and later became a member of the J. P. Morgan Banking Co.

Child, surname *Vanderpoel*:

- i. SUSAN VANDERPOEL⁵, b. New York City, 22 Apr., 1909.

8. **ALBERTA LOUISE⁵ PRESTON** (*Mary Elizabeth Ord⁴, Pacificus³,...*), was born 1871; married, 1893, THEODORE LEWIS PETERS.

[†] October 18th of 1914 was itself a Sunday. Another source gives 1915 as the year of death, however the age indicates about 1912.

Children, surname *Peters*:

- i. ALBERTA LOUISE⁶, b. 1894. m. 1919 Col. JOHN CLARK MOORE of Chicago. They resided in Geneva, Switzerland. Mrs. Moore was living at North Point Farm in King William, Va. in 1959. Three children.

9. **ORD⁵ PRESTON**, (*Mary Elizabeth Ord⁴, Pacificus³,...*), (called Pacificus Ord Preston in the will of Pacificus Ord), was born at St. Helena, 15 Aug. 1874 and died at La Jolla, 4 Feb. 1949. He married 1) at Cheyenne, Wyoming, 7 June 1902, FRANCES JANE CONVERSE. She was born in 1876, the daughter of Amasa Rice Converse of Cheyenne. She died 1 Sept. 1911. He married 2) at Washington, D.C. , 4 Feb. or Dec. 1912, CAROLYN MERRITT MURRAY, the daughter of Maj. Gen. Arthur Murray, USA. Carolyn died 30 Apr. 1941. He married 3) 14 Oct. 1946, MARGARET HELEN COE.

A Yale graduate, Ord Preston was listed in *Who's Who in America*. Financier, Director of the Washington Gas & Light Co., Georgetown Gas Light Co., Union Trust Co., Security Storage Co. of Richmond and Norfolk, Va. Lieutenant and Captain Air Service, served in Div. of Military Aeronautics from Jan. 16, 1918 to Jan. of 1919; Maj. Air Service, Signal R.C., Apr. 29, 1919. Treasurer of St. John's Orphanage.

He belonged to the University Club (N.Y.), the Metropolitan, Chevy Chase, Racquet and the Riding and Hunting Club. He resided at 1822 R St., N.W., Washington, D.C. [WWA, WWW, CG, SCBB]

Children, surname *Preston*, by first wife:

- i. FRANCES SWAN⁶, b. 23 Mar. 1903, d. 25 June 1905.
- ii. MARY ORD, b. 1 May 1904, New York; she married in 1926 at Lorton, LINTON REYNOLDS MASSEY. They resided at "Kinlock", Keswick, Va. in 1937.
- iii. ELEANOR CONVERSE, b. 24 Sept. 1907 in Englewood, N.J. She m. Col. RITCHIE of Washington, D.C. and was residing in that city in 1959.
- iv. HELEN ANDREWS, b. 24 Sept. 1907, d. 7 Mar. 1908.

Children by second wife:

- v. Arthur Murray Preston.
- vi. Ord Preston, Jr.

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The Family of

Elisha Oscar Crosby

1. **SIMON¹ CROSBY**, was born at Holme-on-Spaulding-moor, County York, England, 1608, and died at Cambridge, Massachusetts, Sept. 1639. He was the son of THOMAS CROSBY and JANE SOTHERON, who came to America and settled at Rowley, Mass. He married at Holme-on-Spaulding-moor, 21 Apr. 1634, ANNE BRIGHAM, daughter of Thomas (*Simon², Joseph¹*) and Isabel (Watson) Brigham. They came to the colonies in 1635 on the *Susan and Ellen*. Following Simon's death, Anne married (2) Wm. Thompson of that part of Braintree now called Quincy and had a daughter, Anne. She died there in 1675.

Children, surname *Crosby*,

2. i. REV. THOMAS², b. in England ca. 1635.
- ii. SIMON, b. at Cambridge, Aug. 1637, d. ca. 1725.
- iii. JOSEPH, b. at Cambridge, Feb. 1639, d. 1695. He m. in 1675, SARAH BROCKETT, dau. of Capt. Richard Brockett. He m. (2) ELEANOR HEAZY, widow of Stephen Heazy and daughter of Wm. and Eleanor Dawson.

2. REV. **THOMAS² CROSBY**, (*Simon¹*) was baptized at Holme-on-Spaulding-moor, 26 Feb. 1634/5 and died on the 11th, 13th or 17th of June, 1702. He married SARAH _____.

He came to America with his parents and graduated from Harvard in 1653. He moved to Eastham, Mass. and was one of the three most prominent men in the town, largely because of his activities as a religious teacher. He engaged in trade and was the author of several religious works, one of which was published posthumously under the title *Discourses in Preparation for Sudden Death*.

Children, surname *Crosby*:

- i. THOMAS³, b. 7 Apr. 1663, m. HANNAH _____.
- ii. SIMON, b. 5 July, 1665, m. MARY NICKERSON.
- iii. SARAH, b. 24 Mar. 1666/7, m. SILAS SEARS, JR.

- iv. JOSEPH, b. 27 Jan. 1668/9, m. MEHITABLE MILLER.
 - 3. v. JOHN, b. 4 Dec. 1670, m. HANNAH _____.
 - vi. (twin), b. 4 Dec. 1670, d. aged 10 wks.
 - vii. WILLIAM, b. Mar. 1672/3, m. MERCY HINCKLEY.
 - viii. EBENEZER, b. 28 Mar. 1675/6, m. HANNAH _____.
 - ix. MERCY, (triplet) b. 14 April 1678, m. JOSIAH MILLER.
 - x. ANNE, (triplet) b. 14 April 1678, m. WILLIAM LUCE.
 - xi. INCREASE, (triplet) b. 14 Apr. 1678, d. inf.
 - xii. ELEAZER, b. 31 Mar. 1680, m. (1) PATIENCE FREEMAN, (2) ESTHER RYDER.
3. **JOHN³ CROSBY**, (*Thomas², Simon¹*) was born at Eastham or Hardwick, Massachusetts, 4 Dec. 1670 and died at Hardwick, 25 May 1714, prior to the birth of his last child. He married HANNAH _____.

Children, surname *Crosby*,

- i. THOMAS⁴, b. 17 Apr. 1704, m. MARY CROSBY.
 - ii. JONATHAN, b. 2 Nov. 1705, m. HANNAH _____.
 - iii. JOHN, b. 14 Aug. 1707, m. MARY (FREEMAN?).
 - iv. DAVID, b. 13 Apr. 1709, m. RELIANCE HOPKINS.
 - 4. v. JOSHUAH, b. 4 Aug. 1712, m. LYDIA HOPKINS.
 - vi. ABILA, b. 3 Dec. 1714, m. (1) DEBORAH HURD, (2) SARAH HIGGINS, (3) BENNET PAINE.
4. **JOSHUAH⁴ CROSBY**, (*John³, Thomas², Simon¹*) was born at Harwich, Mass., 4 Aug. 1712, and died 1795. His will was probated 16 Dec. 1795. He married on 2 Aug. 1733, LYDIA HOPKINS, sister of the Reliance Hopkins who married Joshua's brother David. She died 19 Sept. 1781 aged 67 years. He married 2) EUNICE _____ who is mentioned in his will.

In September 1749, the family removed to Dutchess Co., N.Y. and settled in the Philipse Patent, later called Frederickstown.

Children, surname *Crosby*,

- i. NATHAN⁵, b. 1 Nov. 1734, m. (1) _____, (2) EUNICE (COLE) MERRICK.

- ii. REUBEN, b. 1 Jan. 1735/6, m. SARAH SEARS.
- iii. JOSHUA, b. 30 Dec. 1737, m. THANKFUL COLE.
- iv. THEODORE, b. 19 Dec. 1739, m. MERCY FOSTER.
- v. ELIJAH, b. 7 June 1742, m. _____.
- vi. HANNAH, b. 25 Oct. 1744, probably died in infancy.
- vii. LYDIA, m. NATHANIEL (?)FOSTER.
- 6.viii. SAMUEL, b. 1749
- ix. JOHN, m. JERUSHA _____
- x. JOSIAH

4. **SAMUEL⁵ CROSBY^A**, (*Joshua⁴, John³, Thomas², Simon¹*) was born circa 1749 and died in Groton, N.Y., 22 Aug. 1831 where he moved following the Revolutionary War. He married (1) SARAH FOSTER and (2) MEHITABEL _____. He is buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery.

Children, surname *Crosby*,

- 5. i. SAMUEL⁶

5. **SAMUEL⁶ CROSBY**, (*Samuel⁵, Joshua⁴, John³, Thomas², Simon¹*), was born and died in Groton, N.Y. He married MEHITABLE SPAULDING, born at Lyndeborough, N.H., 16 Nov. 1793.

He was a Lieutenant in the War of 1812 under Gen. Wadsworth.

Children, surname *Crosby*:

- i. (?) E. D.⁷ b. ca. 25 Sept. 1812.
- ii. CLARISSA, b. ca. 1815; d. 25 Sept. 1817, aged 2 years.
- 6. iii. ELISHA OSCAR, b. Groton, N.Y., 18 July 1818.
- iv. (?) CYRENUS
- v. (?) SAMUEL J., b. ca. 9 June 1823, m. EVELYN C. _____; d. San Jose, California.
- vi. (?) M. L., ca. 1823, living with Samuel J. Hensley in 1860 as a day laborer.
- vii. another daughter

6. **ELISHA OSCAR⁷ CROSBY**, (*Samuel⁶, Samuel⁵, Joshua⁴, John³, Thomas², Simon¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at

Groton, N.Y., 18 July 1818, and died at his home in Alameda, 20 June 1895 from the effects of a fall two weeks earlier. He married 1) probably in New York in the 1840's, as her second husband, MARIA LOUISE BRODNER*, who was born about 1810. He married 2) by 1867, FRANCES ANNE _____, about whom, more below. [*PRO, FDC, FD*]

He commenced reading law in the office of James Leech in neighboring Cortland and attended Cortland Academy in Homer, N.Y., graduating in 1839. He studied law with his uncle, Elbridge Gerry Spaulding at Buffalo. [*BSF*] In 1843, he was admitted as an Attorney of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. He spent several years in New York City in practice.

Upon hearing the news of the discovery of gold in the Sierras in 1848, he boarded the steamer *Isthmus* which left for Chagras on Christmas Day, thus avoiding the war zone. On the way, there was a stopover at Kingston in Jamaica. He took advantage of the opportunity to visit General Santa Ana who lived nearby.

He received us very kindly; chatted familiarly; entertained us with refreshments, wished us a prosperous voyage and success in our new adventures, and spoke very honorable of the Americans and their bravery, and said he esteemed it quite an honor that he had had so brave an enemy to deal with during the Mexican War. He is a fine type of a Mexican General and President, polite and courteous to all, and well calculated to intrigue his way into power. We left him with our best wishes and highly delighted with our call. [*EOC*]

The party crossed Panama and met the steamer *California* heading north from Cape Horn. The boat had accommodations for 25 people but set to sea with about 450 on board leaving another 300 disappointed souls on shore. Crosby slept in a hammock hung in the rigging.

The population in San Francisco when he arrived at the end of February was about 300, mostly women and children, with a few remnants of Stevenson's Regiment and some Hawaiians. The ship's

* Marie Louise Brodner married 1) Ebenezer Seeley and had a daughter by him, Mary Helen Seeley, who became Mary Helen Crosby. Mary Helen was born on 25 Apr. 1831, and died at Great Falls, Montana, on 27 June 1917. She married at San Jose, 7 Apr. 1851, Samuel J. Hensley who was born at Lexington, Kentucky circa 1816 and died 7 Jan. 1866 at Warm Springs, California. He came to California in 1843 as a member of the Chiles party and was prominent in the Bear Flag Rebellion. He was president of the Steam Navigation Co. [*HF, SCP*]

crew began deserting the first night. Crosby found shelter with an old friend from New York, Dr. Leavenworth, who was the acting *alcalde* (mayor) of San Francisco at the time. His party obtained a boat and they made their way to Sacramento in three days.

He spent some of the following months panning for gold, as well as engaging in occasional legal work. He laid out the town of Vernon, about the same time that the city of Sacramento was laid out. Several settlers moved in, but the winter floods left them merely an island in the middle of the river. Within four years the town had been abandoned.

About this time, General Riley, the military governor of the territory was finding it impossible to govern the territory as all his men were deserting to go to the gold fields. He issued a proclamation calling for a constitutional convention on 3 June 1849. In an election featuring a very light turnout, Crosby was elected as one of the delegates from the Sacramento district.

Following the Convention, Gen. Riley appointed Crosby Acting Prefect for the Sacramento district. His first responsibility was to present the new Constitution to the people for ratification. The position had no salary and Crosby had to spend \$1700 of his own money, which was not reimbursed until 1887. Crosby's efforts were important to the success of obtaining admission. If less than 12,000 votes were cast in the plebiscite, admission would be threatened. Of the 12,872 votes that were cast throughout the state, 5929 votes were cast in Crosby's district. [EOC]

At the Convention, Crosby served as Chairman of the Finance Committee and was active in organizing the judiciary of the new State. In the documented debates, his comments were limited to these two topics.

The ratified document was sent to Washington and presented to Congress. On 9 Sept. 1850, President Millard Fillmore signed the California statehood bill into law. Jonathan Hensley and John Bidwell were commissioned to deliver the papers to Governor Burnett in California.[†]

[†] An interesting story is told about Jonathan Hensley and Helen Crosby which may, in fact, be about Samuel J. Hensley and Mary Helen Crosby, Elisha Crosby's stepdaughter. For safekeeping, Hensley and Bidwell gave the papers to Helen Crosby, who was about to leave

In the years following the Convention, Elisha Crosby became involved in the confusing business of confirming pre-conquest land grants. Between 1852 and 1860, he handled over 100 of the 812 claims that came before the Land Commission. He watched as many great families were driven into poverty and huge chunks of the old estates passed into the hands of speculators. Later, he wrote, “For a great government like this of the U. S. which provided the arbitrators or commissioners to pass upon the validity of these titles, and in whose appointment the claimants had no word or voice to take this oppressive course was altogether unworthy of it and a great injustice to a portion of its people.”

None of the biographical and autobiographical material available on Elisha Crosby mentions any wife or child. His sudden change of lifestyle in 1860 suggests that his situation had changed. That change may have been the death of his first wife.

In 1860, he went to New York and was surprised to find the nation was on the verge of Civil War. He toured several southern states to gauge the secessionist feeling and was in Washington D.C. from the time of the election until the inauguration of Lincoln. He received one of the new President’s first appointments, being commissioned as U. S. Minister to Guatemala in March of 1861.

His instructions were to approach the Guatemalan and Honduran leaders with a proposal for setting up a Liberia-like colony for emancipated slaves in some sparsely populated area of Central America. The idea was not well received. “They put the question to me ‘If the U. S. want to colonize the free blacks on territory by themselves, why don’t they appropriate some of their own sparsely populated territory to this purpose and keep them themselves?’—A question which I must confess I found very difficult to answer.’

for California via the Panama crossing. They joined her on the trip as bodyguards. The journey took 37 days, first by sea to Panama, then a brutal land crossing over the mountains in a violent storm. For safety, Helen concealed the papers in her blue silk umbrella. Finally, they sailed north to San Francisco. Over the course of the journey, Hensley and Helen Crosby fell in love. When they arrived in California, Helen made the formal presentation of the documents to the governor. Then, in the spring, Helen and Jonathan were married. [FB]

He continued in service in Guatemala until 1864. During this time he served as an umpire to a mixed commission established to settle treaty issues between England and Honduras. With the United States in turmoil, he was unable to work on concluding any meaningful trade agreements and spent much of the time travelling. [*EOC, CALL*]

By 1864, his health was suffering and he was forced to submit his resignation to Secretary Seward. He went to Philadelphia for medical treatment and seems to have stayed there for three years. Biographical sketches suggest he spent some time travelling in Europe.

In 1868, the joining of the Sioux City and Pacific to the Union Pacific Railroad brought prosperity to the struggling town of Fremont, Nebraska. It also brought Elisha O. Crosby and his new wife, Frances. Elisha was active in the establishment of the Elkhorn Valley Branch of the Sioux City & Pacific Railroad and built what became known as Shed's Opera House. [*AN,FWH*]

In May of 1874, Crosby purchased a lot in the town cemetery. Only a few weeks later, Frances discovered that she was pregnant. That September, Elisha invested \$6000 in several lots in Fremont including one parcel where he built what became known as Shed's Opera House[‡]. One day in the following February, Crosby strode into the office of the Fremont newspaper with a box of cigars and exclaimed, "It's a boy, and he weighs nine pounds!" Suddenly finding himself a father at the age of 57, he showed all the signs of someone planning to settle down to raise a family in Fremont, Nebraska. [*FD, FT*]

But something happened. In 1877, Crosby suddenly decided to move back to California. He sold all his land holdings in Fremont and purchased a lot in the town of Alameda on Park Street and built a home there. Years later, he moved the family to a house on Foley St. but kept his law office at the Park St. address. [*OCD*] He served three terms in Alameda as Justice of the Peace and in 1890 stepped in briefly as Recorder until the end of the term. [*CALL*]

He was forced into retirement when an oculist's error left him blind in one eye. In early June of 1895, he suffered a fall. Sensing that death was

[‡] It was for many years the only public hall in the city, but by 1910 it had been superseded by other, more refined facilities and was being used as a stable.

near, on June 4th he transferred half ownership of his property on Park Street to his wife. He died two weeks later. [ACD]

When Frances A. Crosby died, it was recorded that she was born in New York State on 1 Oct. 1850 and died at Alameda, 22 Nov. 1929. The birth date and place is echoed in Census and other records in California. Census records in Nebraska, however, indicate that she was born in Virginia in 1837. When she arrived in Nebraska in 1868, she purchased land in Fremont with her own money and in her own name, given as Frances Annie Thomas Crosby. If she had been born in 1850, she would have eighteen years old at the time, an unlikely scenario. This suggests that the 1837 date may be correct and that the Frances who arrived in Fremont was a Civil War widow now in her second marriage.

Even allowing for the unreliable nature of genealogical records, there is much to suggest that the Frances Ann Crosby of California is a different person. Elisha Crosby may have married a third time to another woman with the name first and middle names, and this could explain the sudden departure from Fremont. But there is no divorce, death or cemetery record in Fremont for Frances A. Crosby, nor is there a marriage record to support the idea of a third marriage. Also, California records always refer to her as Edward's mother, not as his stepmother.

The death certificate also states that Frances was the daughter of Arlington and Ellen Crandell. Arlington Crandell is an unusual name and there is only one person found in nineteenth century U.S. census records with that name – in Oxford, New York. Yet none of the records checked indicate that Arlington Crandell of Oxford ever had a daughter born in 1850 or a wife named Ellen.

Clearly, more research is required to assemble this interesting genealogical puzzle.

Child, surname *Crosby*:

7. i. EDWARD O.⁸, b. 25 Feb. 1875, Fremont, Nebraska [PRO,CEN00,OE]

7. **EDWARD O.⁸ CROSBY**, (*Elisha⁷, Samuel⁶, Samuel⁵, Joshua⁴, John³, Thomas², Simon¹*), was born at Fremont, Nebraska 25 Feb. 1875 and died 12 Oct. 1911 at Alameda, Cal. He married about 1898, LEONIE A.

_____, daughter of French and Swiss parents, born in California about 1880. [OE, CEN10]

He held a number of odd jobs – a reporter for Eastern Telegram, a letter carrier, special messenger, retail clerk. By 1909, he had taken a position with a cigar merchant on Park Street, a position he held until his death in 1911 from heart disease, asthma and sclerosis. [OCD]

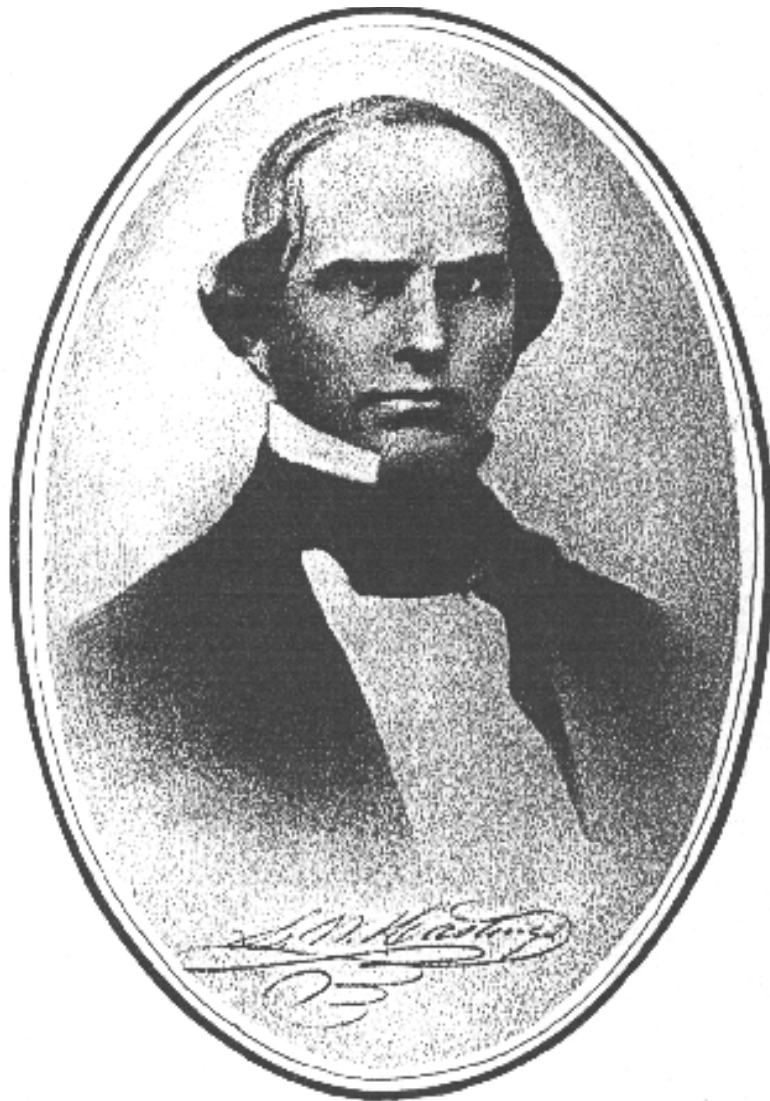
Child, surname *Crosby*:

- i. RAY A.⁹, b. March 1899; m. HENRY A. LAWICKA, a son of Polish immigrants. [CEN20]

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SC Crosby (1914)



L. M. Hastings

The Family of

Lansford Warren Hastings

1. **THOMAS¹ HASTINGS** settled at Watertown, Mass. in 1634. He married SUSANNA _____, who came from Ipswich, England in 1634 and died 2 Dec. 1650. He married, second, MARGARET CHENEY.

Children, surname *Hastings*, by second wife,

2. I. **THOMAS²**, b. 7 Jan. 1652.
 - ii. **JOHN**, b. 1 March 1653/4, d. 28 March 1718; m. ABIGAIL HAMMOND and had eight children.
 - iii. **WILLIAM**, b. 8 Aug. 1655, drowned August of 1669.
 - iv. **JOSEPH**, b. 12 Sep. 1657, d. 7 Oct. 1695; m. 1) RUTH RICE and 2) MARTHA SHEPARD.
 - v. **BENJAMIN**, b. 9 Aug. 1659, d. Hatfield, 18 Dec. 1711. He married ELIZABETH GRAVES.
 - vi. **NATHANIEL**, b. 25 Sep. 1661, d. 25 Dec. 1694.
 - vii. **HEPZIBAH**, b. 31 Jan. 1663/4, m. DEACON WM. BOND.
 - viii. **SAMUEL G.**, b. 12 March 1665/6, d. 1723; m. 1) LYDIA CHURCH and 2) SARAH COOLIDGE.

2. **THOMAS² HASTINGS** (*Thomas¹*) was born 7 Jan. 1652 and died 23 July 1712. He married 1) 10 Oct. 1672, ANNA HAWKS of Hadley, Mass. She died in 1705. He married 2) on 14 Feb. 1705/6, MARY BURT, daughter of David Burt of Northampton, Mass.

Children, surname *Hastings*,

- i. **MARGARET³**, b. 6 July 1674, m. 7 May 1707, NATHANIEL EVETTS of Guilford, Conn.
- ii. **HANNAH**, b. 19 Jan. 1676, m. SAMUEL GILLET.
3. iii. **THOMAS JR.**, b. 24 Sep. 1679.
 - vi. **HEPZIBAH**, b. 16 April 1682, m. JONATHAN CURTIS of Wethersfield, Conn., 5 April 1705.
 - v. **MEHITEBEL**, b. 23 June 1684, m. JOHN BURK, 25 Nov. 1714.

- vi. JOHN, b. 17 Sep. 1689, m. 1) LYDIA _____ and 2) 1721, HANNAH WHITE, and “moved up Conn. river.”
- vii. SILENCE, b. 26 Feb. 1706/7, m. JOSIAH HADLOCK
- viii. THANKFUL, b. and d. in 1711
- ix. SILVANUS, b. 1712, d. 1713

3. Dr. **THOMAS³ HASTINGS** Jr. of Hatfield, (*Thomas², Thomas¹*) married MARY FIELD.

Children, surname *Hastings*,

- i. MARY⁴, b. 24 Dec. 1701, d. 10 Jan. 1702.
 - ii. THOMAS, b. 6 Nov. 1702, d. 4 Nov. 1703.
 - iii. MARY, b. 1704, m. BENJAMIN BILLINGS.
 - iv. HANNAH, (*Anna*), b. 13 Oct. 1706, m. _____ WHITE.
 - v. DOROTHY, b. 27 July 1709, d. 29 July 1711.
 - vi. THOMAS, b. 1713, d. same year.
4. vii. WAITSTILL, b. 3 Jan. 1714.
- viii. TABITHA, b. 6 Oct. 1715, m. 4 Jan. 1738/9, JOHN STRICKLAND.
 - ix. HOPESTILL, b. 13 April 1718, d. 24 Dec. 1766; m. LYDIA FRARY. He was a farmer in Hatfield.
 - x. DOROTHY, b. 20 March 1720, d. 6 April 1720.
 - xi. THOMAS, b. 28 Jan. 1720/1.
 - xii. LUCY, b. 1 Feb. 1722/3; m. JONATHAN TAYLOR.

4. **WAITSTILL⁴ HASTINGS**, (*Thomas³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 3 Jan. 1714 and married ABIGAIL MARSH.

Children, surname *Hastings*,

- 5. i. JOHN⁵, b. 10 Jan. 1738
- ii. ABIGAIL, b. 28 Feb. 1739, m. SOLOMON WOOLEST of Williamstown, Mass.
- iii. HANNAH BERNARD, b. 16 April 1742
- iv. MARY, b. 10 Jan. 1744, m. NATHANIEL KELLOGG of Dalton, Mass.
- v. SAMUEL, b. 14 March 1747

5. **JOHN⁵ HASTINGS** (*Waitstill⁴, Thomas³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 10 Jan. 1738 and died 6 Dec. 1811. He married CONTENT LITTLE, who died in 1829 at the age of 89 years. John Hastings was a magistrate in Hatfield for 36 years and a senator or counselor in Massachusetts for 28 years.

Children, surname *Hastings*,

- i. JOHN⁶, b. Oct. 1765, d. 2 May 1845; m. 1 Feb. 1790, SYBIL DICKINSON. He was a doctor in Hatfield.
- ii. CONTENT, b. 14 Sep. 1767, unmarried.
- iii. MARY, b. Jan. 1769, m. DANIEL WAIT.
- 6. iv. WAITSTILL, b. 14 May 1771
 - v. ELIZABETH, b. 7 March 1773, unmarried.
 - vi. ABIGAIL, b. 7 May 1775, unmarried.
 - vii. SAMUEL, b. 4 --- 1777, of Springfield, Mass.
 - viii. EPHRAIM, b. 17 Nov. 1780, of Nashua, N.H.
 - ix. JUSTIN, b. 14 Feb. 1786

6. **Dr. WAITSTILL⁶ HASTINGS** (*John⁵, Waitstill⁴, Thomas³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 14 May 1771 and died in 1864. He married LUCINDA WOOD, a native of Herkimer Co., N.Y. She died in 1848.

He was a physician at Margareta, Ohio (Marietta?). He was of Oxford Twp. in 1810 and later moved to Parkerstown hamlet of Groton Twp. After the War of 1812 he removed to Knox Co., where he was elected to the legislature. He retired to Groton with his family in 1815.

Children, surname *Hastings*,

- i. EPHRAIM⁷, b. ca. 1804, m. SALLY _____ and settled in Sandusky Co., Ohio in 1825.
- ii. JAMES H., b. ca. 1808, d. 1878; m. MARTHA KERSHNER. He served in the Civil War and spent time in Andersonville Prison.
- iii. DANIEL E., m. Sacramento, KATHERINE CUNNINGHAM in 1856. He was proprietor of the American Union Hotel there. They had children, *George Waitstill; James M.; Clara*, m. Mr. Ryan; *Mary*, m. Mr. Mullen; *Katie*, m. Mr. Thomas; *Myron*; and *Charles*. [HSC]

- iv. LOIS E., m. NICHOLAS HUNSAKER. They came to California in 1847, settling in Martinez. In 1869 they moved to southern California. Judge *William Jefferson Hunsaker* was a son of theirs.
- 7. v. LANSFORD WARREN, b. 1819
 - vi. SAMUEL, m. LOIS CRIPPIN (born about 1810) and went to California with his son *Lyman* arriving at Sutter's Fort on 26 Aug. 1849. He was soon taken ill and died 17 Sep. 1849. His widow resided with James Hunsaker, probably a son of Lois and Nicholas Hunsaker (above). In 1880, she was living with her daughter and son-in-law, *Laura* and Warren Brown (see *Elam Brown*). [LH]
 - vii. WAITSTILL, b. ca. 1826, m. ELIZABETH _____; a grocer in Ohio.
 - viii. LYMAN H., b. ca. 1828, d. 1874; m. FRANCES HUNSAKER; he resided in Michigan for a while, then came to California in 1850 and settled in Martinez where he served as assessor.
 - ix. NORMAN L., b. ca. 1830, d. 17 Jan. 1893 at Redwood City; m. ELIZABETH _____. They are both buried in the Martinez Cemetery.

7. **LANSFORD WARREN⁷ HASTINGS**, (*Waitstill⁶, John⁵, Waitstill⁴, Thomas³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) signer of the California Constitution, was born at Mt Vernon, Ohio, in 1819; and died in 1868. He married 1) at Sutter's Fort, 19 July 1848, CHARLOTTE CATHERINE TOLER, and 2) 5 Mar. 1862, JANICE E. (*Jennie*) MENDENHALL.

He received an education in law, practicing and publishing in Ohio. He came to Independence, Missouri in 1842 and led an emigrant train to Oregon. He came to California in 1843 in command of the emigrant party that bears his name. He was interested in setting up an independent nation in California and planned to become its president. In 1844, he published an *Emigrant's Guide to California* ("a worthless book" — Bancroft) to encourage settlement in the west and led another train of settlers to California in 1845. The pioneers' revolt was postponed, so he and Bidwell laid out the town of Sutterville (intended as a Mormon settlement) and he returned east to find more settlers. Thus, he missed the Bear Flag Rebellion when it occurred.

On the way east, he explored a shortcut through the Utah desert. He publicized this new route and took a wagon train across the plains to California, leaving instructions for a group of about 80 additional emigrants to follow. This additional group, which left two weeks later, became known as the Donner Party. Without proper leadership, they suffered horribly on Hasting's Cutoff, as it came to be known, and

ultimately met disaster stranded in an early blizzard at the Sierra crossing, where half of them died of starvation. Thereafter, Hastings' Cutoff was little used. [BAN,OH]

Upon arriving in California, Hastings discovered that United States forces had taken control of the country. He raised a company of men, got himself elected captain, and proceeded to Monterey to support General Fremont. When the revolution was subdued, despite threats against his life following the debacle of the Donner Party, Hastings stayed in San Francisco and practiced law.

1848 was a busy year for Hastings. In March he tried to recruit a battalion of volunteers to put down an imaginary revolt in the south. In May he was elected school trustee. On 19 July 1848 at Sutter's Fort, Hastings married CHARLOTTE CATHERINE TOLER, (born in Virginia, daughter of Hopeful Toler and his Venezuelan wife); and in September he was appointed Judge of the northern district. He settled in Sutter's Fort and then opened a store in Coloma, where he amassed a small fortune. Returning to Sacramento, he invested his money in real estate speculation, attempting to found a rival city on its southern border. [BAN,FOOTE,GB]

In 1849 Hastings served as representative from Sacramento at the California Constitutional Convention in Monterey. Foiled in his plan to become the first president of a California nation, and nearly bankrupt from real estate investment failures, he lost interest in state politics and in 1857 moved his family to Ft. Yuma, Arizona, where he planned to found a city. Failing once again to realize his ambitions, he returned his family to San Francisco in 1860. Charlotte died soon after at the home of her brother, William Pinckney Toler, in San Leandro. He left the children with their uncle and returned east to serve as a quartermaster for the Confederacy. On 5 March 1862, he married JANICE E. (*Jennie*) MENDENHALL, a "fair and blooming daughter of Alabama." In 1863, he visited Richmond, Virginia with a plan to raise a Confederate army in Arizona and capture Arizona for the rebel cause. Although he was promoted to rank of Major for this effort, nothing came of the scheme. [FOOTE,GB,CCC]

After the surrender of Richmond, Hastings went to Brazil, where he obtained a grant of 69 square miles of land on the condition that he

establish a certain number of families as immigrants. On 26 March 1866, he left Mobile, Alabama with 35 emigrants to establish the Dixie settlement in South America, but the ship returned to port on account of disease. The following year, his *Emigrants Guide to Brazil* was published in Mobile and he led a second party of 109 emigrants, including his wife. They stopped for two days at the port of Manaus and selected a place for their new home called Santarém, at the junction of the Amazon and Tapajos, five hundred miles from Paraguay.

By 1868, the settlement was suffering and applied to the American Consul at Paraguay for aid. Soon after the holdings were deserted and most of the settlers returned to the U.S.

Hastings attempted to take out another load of emigrants to resettle the holdings, but sickened and died aboard ship before arriving in Brazil. The job was taken over by his father-in-law, Judge Mendenhall, and the new settlement prospered with large-scale farming under his leadership. [HILL,MAR]

Children, surname *Hastings*,

- i. WILLIAM WARREN⁸, b. ca. 1850; “ran away from home after mother died and never heard from.” He was living in California in 1888.
- ii. HENRY CLAY, d. 20 Oct. 1854 at Sutterville, aged two years and two months.
- iii. IRVING B., b. ca. 1852.
- iv. ISABEL V(IRGINIA?), b. ca. 1854. She was at the Dominican Convent in Benicia on 10 Apr. 1863 but died of tuberculosis in San Leandro at the age of 21.
8. v. AMELIA LUCINDA, b. at Sutter’s Fort, 3 June 1857
9. vi. HENRY TOLER, b. 3 July 1859;

8. **AMELIA LUCINDA⁸ HASTINGS** (*Lansford W.⁷, Waitstill⁶, John⁵, Waitstill⁴, Thomas³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born at Sutter’s Fort, 3 June 1857, and died at Santa Monica; 8 June 1928. She is said to have been “very beautiful.” She married ALBERT ALEXANDER SPENCE, the second son of David Steward and Refugia (Malarin) Spence. He was born in Monterey County, 17 April 1859, and died in Venice, California, 8 June 1925. They are both buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in Santa Monica.

Children, surname *Spence*,

10. i. ALBERT⁹, b. 16 April 1882
- ii. MINETTE AMELIA, b. 1886, d. at Riverside, April 1926. She married FRANK WINSHIP. The three children they adopted were returned to the orphanage after her death.

9. **HENRY TOLER⁸ HASTINGS** (*Lansford W.⁷, Waitstill⁶, John⁵, Waitstill⁴, Thomas³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born at Los Angeles, 3 July 1859 (although the family was residing in Arizona at that time), and died at Martinez, 13 Dec. 1932. He was only an infant when his mother died and his father abandoned the family. He was adopted by Warren and Laura (Hastings) Brown, a childless couple, “very strict Presbyterians,” and took their surname. Laura was his first cousin, daughter of Lansford’s brother Samuel (see above). He married, 1880, ANNE ELIZABETH “ANNIE” _____, who was born in Massachusetts, of Dutch ancestry. She died in Sept. 1919 and was buried in the Lafayette Cemetery on the 17th of that month.

He worked for a while as a printer and worked the Brown family farm in the country near Lafayette all his life.

Children, surname *Brown*,

- i. ESTELLA, b. Sept. 1881
- ii. LLOYD LANSFORD, b. July 1886, d. 19 July 1914 in Oakland.
- iii. CHESTER WARREN, b. 28 Sept. 1889, d. 17 Oct. 1900
- iv. SYBIL, b. May 1893

10. **ALBERT⁹ SPENCE**, (*Amelia L. Hastings⁸*) was born 16 April 1852; and died at Los Angeles, 25 April 1950. He had been disabled with tuberculosis for two years. He married EDNA LEORA KIFER, daughter of Richard Kifer, at the Santa Clara Mission.

He held 3000 acres of land in the Santa Clara Valley in 1888, but by 1916 had moved to Los Angeles, where he was a clerk in the Los Angeles Sheriff’s office. He was a member of Santa Monica Bay Parlor #267 about 1930.

Children, surname *Spence*,

11. i. AIMEE L.¹⁰

11.AIMEE L.¹⁰ SPENCE, (*Albert*⁹, *Amelia L. Hastings*⁸) a public school teacher in Los Angeles; married LEON F. ATTWOOLL who died about 1954.

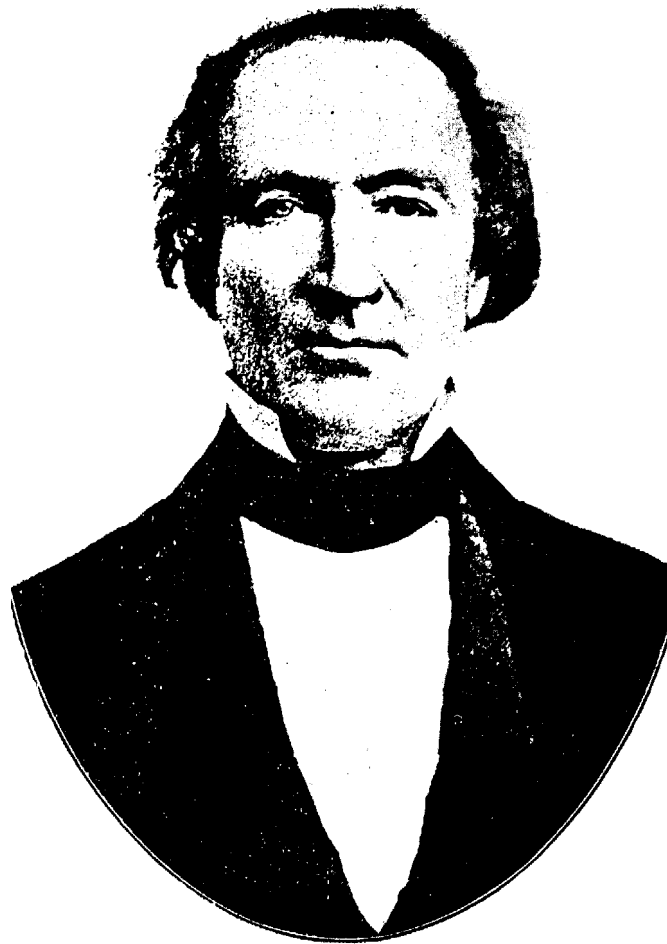
Children, surname *Attwooll*,

i. RICHARD ALBERT¹¹

ii. LEORA CAROL, married JAMES HUGHES and had at least five children.

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Mr. M. McCarver

The Family of

Morton Matthew McCarver

1. **JOSEPH¹ MCCARVER**, married BETSY MORTON. They were both born and raised in North Carolina. They settled in Kentucky. Their son...

2. **MORTON MATTHEW² MCCARVER**, (*Joseph¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Lexington, Kentucky, 14 Jan. 1807; and died at Tacoma, Washington, 17 Apr. 1875. He married 1) at Monmouth, 6 May 1830, MARY ANN JENNINGS. She died 19 Nov. 1846 at home. He married 2) at Oregon City, 20 Jan. 1848, JULIA ANN (MCCOY) BUCKALEW, daughter of James and Polly (Cannon) McCoy and widow of Garret Buckalew, who had died from the hardships of the crossing to the Pacific Coast. She was born in St. Charles County, Missouri, 17 Nov. 1825 and died at her home in Tacoma, 14 May 1897.

He left home at the age of 18 and explored Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana before returning to settle in Galena, Illinois. He served in the Black Hawk War after which he erected a log cabin in the land that was to be ceded to the United States. Because the cabin was built before the treaty ending the war was ratified, he was forcibly removed and the cabin was burned down by troops under the command of Lieutenant Jefferson Davis.

The treaty was finally ratified on 19 June 1834, and McCarver returned and founded the settlement that became Burlington, Iowa. There he engaged in farming, trade and real estate speculation. He was one of the first purchasers of land at what became the city of Chicago. He served as a representative at the Iowa Constitutional Convention.

In 1843, McCarver left his family and joined a wagon train bound for Oregon. He was elected one of the Committee of Nine who maintained order in the train. The captain was Peter Burnett, who later became the first Governor of California. Upset with the slow pace of travel, he left the train near Fort Hall and sped on ahead. He stopped at a fertile site at the junction of the Willamette and Columbia rivers and the rest of the

train arrived sometime later. There they founded the town of Linnton, Oregon, and McCarver sent glowing reports back east.

Always politically active, he was elected to the provisional legislature in 1844 and was elected Speaker. He resettled near Oregon City where his family joined him in 1845, but his wife died the following year. He remarried quickly to JULIA ANN BUCKALEW, a young widow with one child, and continued farming there for several years.

News of the gold discovery brought him to California in 1848 but he had little to do with panning for gold. He attempted to convince John Sutter, Jr. to contract with him to lay out the town of Sacramento, but lost out to Peter Burnett, who had also come down from Oregon. Nonetheless, he took up residence in Sacramento, opened up a general store with D. B. Hannah and represented that district at the Constitution Convention of 1849. [HPN]

According to Elisha O. Crosby, a fellow conventioneer, “By his good natured blunders, he would raise a laugh in the body more frequently than anyone else. His interest being in Oregon, he could not forget that he belonged there, and though he was in California and a delegate from the Sacramento District, he would often speak of his constituents in Oregon, of his neighbors and what they would say, as though it was all one state.” [SCP]

McCarver was one of the more vocal debaters in the general meetings of the Convention. He spoke freely and at length about almost all topics, but is best known for his attempts to enter into the Constitution a stipulation that free blacks not be allowed to enter the state. He had successfully pushed a similar act in the Oregon legislature in 1844 and modeled this proposal after similar articles in the constitutions of several other states. The Convention adopted the measure unanimously, but the question was brought up again later and on reconsideration, it failed.* [JRB]

* It is important to note that the measure failed not because the members of the Convention had experienced any epiphany about black people or human rights. They simply felt that there was a danger that this controversial issue could jeopardize the acceptance of California's statehood application in Washington. They assumed that the Legislature they were creating would pass the necessary laws when it came into session.

Julia returned to Oregon with D. B. Hannah in December of 1849, but McCarver remained. McCarver finally returned to Oregon in 1851 bringing with him the hull and machinery for a steamboat. He operated his steamboat on the Columbia River and built a second one above the falls. His orchards continued to produce an abundance of apples and other fruits, some of which he sold in California at \$18 per bushel.

Following the Indian War of 1855-56, he travelled to Washington, D.C. and lobbied unsuccessfully for reimbursement of expenses incurred during the fighting. He returned in 1857 in time for the Idaho silver rush. He opened a general store in The Dalles for the prospectors on their way east, and later moved to Auburn and Idaho City. In 1864 he went to New York City and sold Idaho quartz mines on the market.

He returned to Portland, Oregon in 1866 aware of the Northern Pacific's plans to build a railway through to the Oregon coast. After much research, he determined that the best site for the western terminus would be at Commencement Bay. He joined with Job Carr, another settler from Iowa who had come with the same purpose and reached the same conclusion independently. Together they founded Commencement City, later to be renamed Tacoma, Washington. [HPN]

Children, by first wife, surname *McCarver*,

3. i. THOMAS JENNINGS, b. ca. 1833.
4. ii. MARY A.³, b. 15 Dec. 1842.
- * three others, died young

Children, by second wife,

5. vi. VIRGINIA, b. 17 Apr. 1851.
6. vii. ELIZABETH MORTON, b. 1853, Oregon City.
- viii. NAOMI, b. ca. 1856, Oregon, died young.
- ix. JULIA, died young.
- x. DOLLIE, died young.

Julia's daughter from her first marriage, Ann Buckalew, married Clinton P. Ferry.

3. **THOMAS JENNINGS³ MCCARVER**, (*Morton M.², Joseph¹*) was born 26 April 1833 at Springfield, Ill.; died 4 Dec. 1881 at Oregon City, Oregon. He married at McConnellsville, Ohio, 18 April 1851 MARY ELIZABETH GOODLIEF, daughter of Jacob Goodlief, a banker from Switzerland.

He came to Oregon in 1855, settling in Oregon City. He was employed as an accountant and also served as Deputy Sheriff.

Children, surname *McCarver*,

7. i. FRANCES A.⁴, b. at McConnellsville, Ohio, 23 Aug. 1853.
- ii. GEORGE WILLIAM, b. at Oregon City, 6 Feb. 1855, d. 23 Apr. 1919; m. DELLA _____. He was working as a clerk in a store in 1880.
- iii. HATTIE E. S., b. Oregon City, 15 Jan. 1860 and died there, 27 Feb. 1944; m. CHARLES C. BABCOCK.
- iv. ANNETA HENSLEY, b. Oregon City, 18 Aug. 1862, d. there 12 July 1947. Not married.
- v. CHARLES R., b. Oregon City, ca. 1866; d. 11 June 1941.
8. vi. HARRY RALSTON, b. Oregon City, 29 March 1868.

4. **MARY A.³ MCCARVER**, (*Morton M.², Joseph¹*), was born at Lowell, Iowa; 15 Dec. 1842 and married 17 March 1858, RICHARD A. HURLEY, son of Eugene and Emma Hurley. He was born 30 March 1830 at Montreal, Canada and moved to Otsego Co., N.Y. [PA]

Children, surname *Hurley*,

- i. GEORGE JENNINGS⁴, b. Oregon, ca. 1859. He was a teamster in Oregon City, Oregon and in Loomis, Wash.
- ii. MINNIE C., b. Oregon, ca. 1862; m. FRED TERRY.
- iii. ANNA W., b. Oregon, ca. 1864; m. J. L. LEROY.
- iv. BELLE F., b. Idaho, ca. 1866 and d. 3 Feb. 1910; m. GEORGE CAVALINE.
- v. CARRIE L., b. Oregon, ca. 1868; m. JUSTIN PEASE of Risley Station, 1911.
- vi. ELMER S., b. Idaho, ca. 1871; d. 2 July 1908 in the Phillipines where he was serving in Co. D of the 14th U.S. Infantry.
- vii. LOLEATA, b. Oregon, ca. 1875; m. A. E. LABOWICH; res. Risley Station.

5. **VIRGINIA³ MCCARVER**, (*Morton M.², Joseph¹*) married THOMAS W. PROSCH, who authored a biography of Morton Matthew McCarver and a history of Tacoma, Wash.

Children, surname *Prosch*,

- i. JULIA⁴, b. 21 July 1878; d. March 1879.
- ii. EDITH, b. at Tacoma Wash., 27 Nov. 1879; d. 31 May 1937.
- iii. ARTHUR, b. at Seattle, 9 May 1882; d. 19 Aug. 1953.
- iv. GENEVIEVE, b. Seattle, 8 July 1884; d. March 1903.
- v. BEATRICE, b. Seattle, 8 Apr. 1886; d. 23 Dec. 1916.
- vi. PHOEBE, b. Seattle, 24 July 1884; m. 16 May 1917, AUGUST W. ANDERSON.

6. **ELIZABETH MORTON³ MCCARVER**, (*Morton M.², Joseph¹*) was born in Oregon City, 1853; and died at Tacoma, Wash., 17 June 1925.[TNT] She married 14 Jan. 1883, WILLIAM HENRY HARRIS.

Children, surname *Harris*,

- i. JULIA N.⁴, b. Tacoma, 16 May 1884, d. there 30 April 1951.
- ii. CLAY M., b. Tacoma, 2 July 1887; d. there ca. 1898.

7. **FRANCES A.⁴ MCCARVER**, (*Thomas J.³, Morton M.², Joseph¹*) was born at McConnellsville, Ohio, 23 Aug. 1853 and died at Oregon City, 13 June 1945. She married at Oregon City, 18 Jan. 1874, WILLIAM WARD MYERS. He died in 1930.

Children, surname *Myers*,

- i. CHARLOTTE⁵, b. 15 Nov. 1875; m. DANIEL A. DILLMAN, a Kentuckian who came to California in 1873.
- ii. THOMAS JENNINGS,
- iii. WILLIAM EARL, d. 1934.

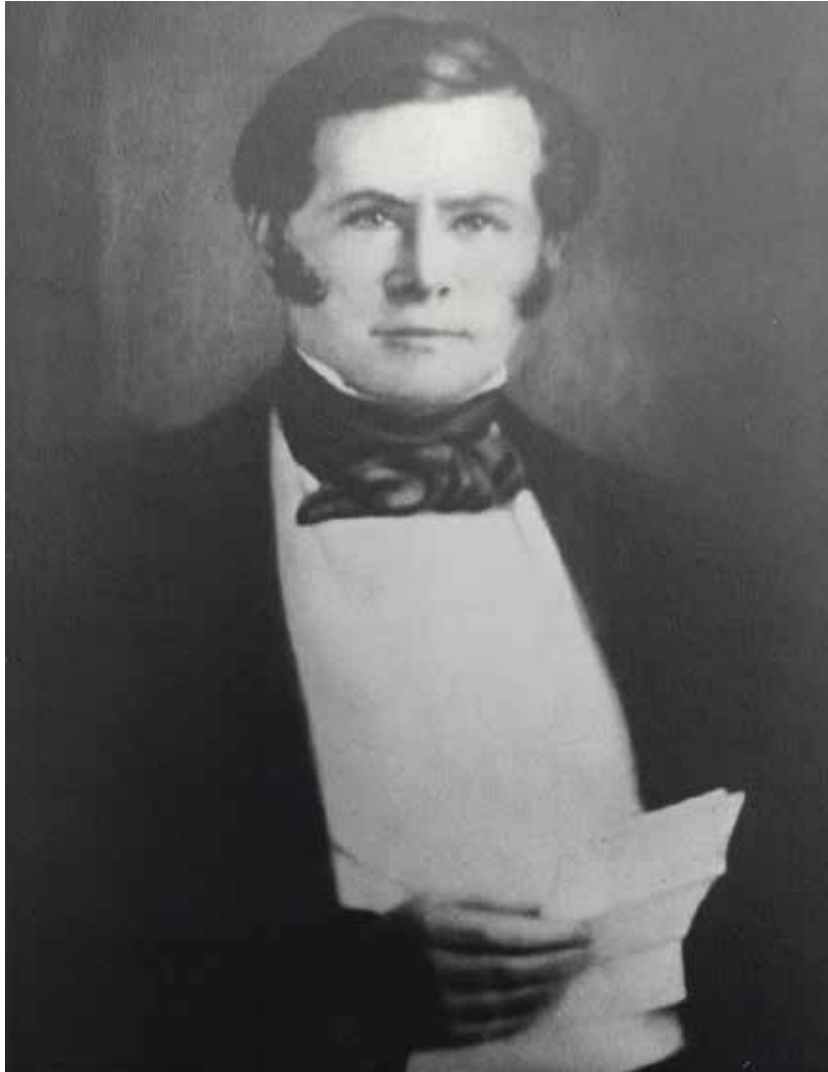
8. **HARRY RALSTON⁴ MCCARVER**, (*Thomas J.³, Morton M.², Joseph¹*) was born at Oregon City 29 March 1868 and died 14 Dec. 1918. He married NORA BELLE MARRS, daughter of James and Mary (Howell) Marrs.

Child, surname *McCarver*,

- i. LEILA VIRGINIA⁵, lived in Portland where he worked for the Portland and Seattle RR Co.

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Geo. W. Douglas

The Family of John McDougal

1. Dr. **JOHN¹ MCDUGAL** was born on the east side of the Blue Ridge mountains, in Virginia circa 1777 and died in 1821. He married **MARGARET STOCKTON**.

At the age of nineteen, he joined his half-brother Thomas to become one of the earliest settlers in the Ohio Territory, emigrating to Chillicothe in 1796. He advertised himself as a “trapper and licensed trader” and purveyor of “the very best whiskey.” Years later, the population had grown and his advertisements featured “a fine collection of school books” to assist in educating the young.

He was the first clerk in the Territorial court and published at his own expense a book titled *Every Man His Own Lawyer*, designed to protect his fellow citizens from the actions of “land sharks, otherwise called lawyers.”

Children, surname *McDougal*,

2. i. **JOHN²**, b. 1818
 - ii. **DAVID**, officer in the U.S. Navy
 - iii. **CHARLES**, an army surgeon during the Florida war.
 - iv. **GEORGE**, a romantic adventurer who came overland to California in the Swasey-Todd party of 1845. He lived at Santa Cruz and Gilroy and served as an unattached volunteer with the California Battalion 1846-47. He ran a mercantile business and speculated in real estate at Sutter's Fort with his brother, John. In the early 1850's, he speculated in San Francisco real estate with Benjamin Lippincott. He made several trips east, where he had a family. He began a roving life in 1853, sailed down the coast from San Francisco and disappeared until he was discovered in 1867 living with a tribe of Indians in Patagonia. He returned to Indiana and turned to the business of pressing a \$100,000 claim against the U.S. government for a herd of cattle he supplied to the army during the 1840's. He moved to Washington D.C. in 1869 to work on this, but died in 1872 without success. Years later his widow learned about the claim, hired a lawyer at an outrageous contingency fee and managed to get the claim resolved.

2. **JOHN² McDOUGAL**, (*John¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Chillicothe, Ohio in 1818 and died from a stroke at San Francisco, 30 March 1866 at the age of 49. He married, at Indianapolis, Ind., JENNIE PALMER, daughter of Nathan B. Palmer. She was born at Indianapolis on or about 17 May 1824 and died at San Francisco in May of 1862.

During the Mexican War, John helped organize a company at Indianapolis. He began as first lieutenant and was later promoted to captain.

He was a passenger on the first steamship, *California*, which arrived in the territory in February of 1849. He immediately proceeded to Sutter's Fort to join his youngest brother, George, who had preceded him there. He had lived in the state seven months when he represented the Sacramento District at the Constitutional Convention.

He brought to the Convention a jovial attitude and easy disposition—and evidently little else. He was usually on the losing side of votes. His sense of humor is illustrated by the occasion when he attempted to have the word “Buncombe” inserted into an amendment proposed by James McHall Jones regarding pay. When Gwin questioned the relevancy of the insertion

Mr. McDOUGAL said if the gentleman could not see the relevancy of the amendment he must be a very dull man. It was as plain as any proposition possibly could be: to insert the word “Buncombe” after the word “that,” so as to read, “That for Buncombe, the pay of the members of this Convention shall be eight dollars per day, and eight dollars for every twenty miles of travel.” Nothing could be plainer than that. He had hoped that the question would be taken silently on the report of the Committee, but as such did not seem to be the disposition of the House he deemed it appropriate to offer the amendment. [JRB]

He was elected Lieutenant Governor in a caucus following the convention—“I reckon I’ll take that—I don’t believe anyone else will want it,” he is reported to have said. He took over as governor after the resignation of Peter Burnett but left little of importance to mark his one-year term of office. It was the last public office he held. Later, he was acquitted on a charge of election fraud in San Mateo County. He drank heavily and died in obscurity.

Children, surname *McDougal*,

- i. SUSAN A., b. ca. 1844
- ii. CARRIE F., b. Indiana ca. 1848/9, m. at Indianapolis 4 Mar. 1868, RUDOLPH LACK.
- iii. SUTTA, b. 1852
- 3. iv. LILLIAN J.

3. **LILLIAN J.³ McDOUGAL**, (*John², John¹*), was born at San Luis Obispo. She married, 7 Jan. 1880, Dr. JOSEPH STEELE EASTMAN, son of Rev. John C. and Martha (Finley) Eastman. He was born at Hanover, Ind., 7 July 1854.

Children, surname *Eastman*,

- i. FINLEY B., b. 27 Sept. 1880
- ii. SAMUEL PALMER, b. 26 July 1882; d. Woodside, Cal. 13 Feb. 1941.
- iii. LOUISE LETCHER, b. Berkeley, 4 Oct. 1885.
- iv. LATHAM CALVIN, b. Berkeley 26 July 1888.

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There is no picture of William Edward Shannon available.

W. E. Shannon

The Family of William Edward Shannon

1. **ROBERT¹ SHANNON**, of Ballina, Co. Mayo, Ireland, was born 1787 and died 3 Nov. 1853, age 76. He married ANNE KERR who was born in 1782 and died, 12 Oct. 1843, age 61.

Children, surname *Shannon*,*

2. i. ANNE², b. 1803
 - ii. ESTHER, "Hessey" b. 1804, d. 3 Jan. 1852, age 48.
 - iii. ROBERT, Jr.
 - iv. JAMES, b. 1810; d. ca. 1850; m. LUCY ROSEBOOM, b. 1817, d. 25 Feb. 1872. He was a lawyer at Bath, N.Y.;
 - v. JOHN, b. 1817, d. Feb 1848, age 31.
3. vi. WILLIAM EDWARD, b. 1822.

2. **ANNE² SHANNON**, (*Robert¹*), b. ca. 1803; died 11 Jan. 1870, age 67. She married BARTHOLEMEW WILKES, born 10 June 1806, in Castlebar, Co. Mayo, Ireland, died 21 March 1888.

Children, surname *Wilkes*,

4. i. ROBERT B., b. 29 Sept. 1830
 - ii. ANN JANE, b. 20 Aug. 1832; d. 27 Apr. 1903, age 71.
 - iii. JAMES, b. 1836, d. 20 Jan. 1838
 - iv. (twin) d. infancy
 - v. (twin) d. infancy

3. **WILLIAM EDWARD² SHANNON**, (*Robert¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born about 1822 in Ballina, Co. Mayo, Ireland. He died

* George Dorman lists these six children giving as his source an otherwise unidentified "family record." Peter Conmy writes in his essay of letters from William to "Bartly" whom Conmy assumes is a brother. Most likely, however, this is his brother-in-law, Bartholemew Wilkes, husband of his eldest sister.

at Sacramento, Cal., 3 Nov. 1850 of cholera. His unmarked grave lies in the New Helvetia Cemetery near Sutter's Fort.

The family emigrated to the United States in 1829 and they settled in Bath, Steuben Co., N.Y. He studied law in the office of his brother, James, at Bath and was admitted to the bar at Rochester, N.Y. in 1846 at the age of 24. Years later, he was remembered as a man "of moderate proportions, a florid, open countenance, with a laughing devil in his eye. He had a spirit of the elves of his own green isle, was ever full of fun and frolic. Many of his associates suffered sorely from his railery. He was not, however, malicious, a current of good humor ran through all his acts, showing that a fun loving spirit was the sole mover." [SJP]

Some sources state that he was a graduate of West Point. In 1847 he traveled to California as a Captain in Co. I of Stevenson's Regiment of N.Y. Volunteers, arriving in San Francisco on 19 March 1847. Co. I was one of four that were immediately transferred to the *Lexington* and sent to Monterey, which they reached on 4 April. There, Shannon met and became close friends with Walter Colton. The men of Co. I assisted Colton in erecting the first American school built in California.

At the end of December, the company was transferred south, first to San Pedro. While stationed there, Shannon sat on court-martials in Los Angeles. After a few weeks, this was followed by a seven-day march to San Diego where the company relieved the Mormon Battalion. Shannon served there as commandant and collector of the port. That summer, news that the war with Mexico had ended reached California. On 25 September, Co. I was discharged. In a letter to his "brother" Bartly, Shannon wrote, "Our Company was disbanded at San Diego and up to the last moment its warm-hearted people lavished upon me the greatest kindness."

Gold had been discovered in the Sierras eight months earlier and Shannon immediately purchased a wagon and mule team and chartered a schooner. He hired ten of his former soldiers and sent them to Coloma to await his arrival. As they set out on the fifty-day trek to the Sierra foothills, Shannon sailed to Monterey and obtained an appointment as *alcalde* of Coloma from Richard B. Mason, the military governor.

In Coloma, he entered into partnership with his former lieutenant, Henry Magee, and his former orderly, Elijah Smith and later with Charles

F. Cady, a pioneer of 1845. Shannon sold merchandise, kept an inn and dispensed justice as needed. On 4 July 1849, he financed an extravagant celebration of the holiday. The following month, this show of patriotism earned him election as a representative of the district to the Constitutional Convention.

As Chairman of the Rules Committee, Shannon influenced the procedures that were followed by the Convention. He strongly opposed slavery and inserted a copy of the antislavery clause from the New York State constitution in the 10 September draft. He also took an important part in the boundary question. Despite his active work in the convention, he was defeated in his bid for a Congressional seat in the November election.

In December, he abandoned his judgeship to move to Sacramento. There he opened a law practice and was active in the formation of the Whig Party in California. In October of 1850, he was elected State Senator from Sacramento, but died before the session began.

A cholera epidemic broke out that fall and while engaged in visiting the sick, Shannon was exposed to the disease. He was stricken at 9:00 A.M. on Sunday, 3 November and died twelve hours later. He was only 28 years old.[PTC]

4. **ROBERT B.³ WILKES**, (*Ann Shannon², Robert¹*) was born 29 Sept. 1830, and died 23 Nov. 1876, age 46. He married, 1860, HARRIET M. ERWIN, daughter of General Francis E. and Sophia (McCall) Erwin, who was born 4 Jan. 1836 and died 9 May 1932, age 96.

Eight children, surname *Wilkes*,

- i. JAMES⁴
- ii. ANNA SHANNON, m. _____ HUNTER; res. Portland, Oregon in 1940. Their child, *Sophia Hunter*, m. _____ Saal and res. Willows, Cal.
- iii. ROBERT
- iv. FRANK
- v. SAM
- vi. MARY, m. _____ BRYAN (?)
- vii. ?

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There is no picture of Winfield Scott Sherwood available.

Winfield Scott Sherwood

The Family of Winfield Scott Sherwood

1. Dr. **THOMAS¹ SHERWOOD**, was born in 1586 and died in 1655. He came to Boston in 1634 on the *Francis* from Ipswich, England. He married 1) ALICE SEBROOKE, who was born 1587 and died at Fairfield, Conn., 1639. the daughter of Robert and Alice (Goodspeed) Sebrooke. They moved to Stratford, Conn. in 1645. He married 2) MARY WHEELER.

Children, surname *Sherwood*, by first wife, all born in England:

- i. ANNE², b. 1620
- ii. ROSA, b. 1623
- 2. iii. THOMAS, 2nd, b. 1625
- iv. REBECCA, b. 1627

Children by second wife:

- v. MATTHEW
- vi. STEPHEN
- vii. ISAAC
- viii. MARY
- ix. RUTH
- x. ABIGAIL (? or is she child of Thomas, 2nd?)

2. **THOMAS² SHERWOOD**, 2nd, was born in England, 1625. He married SARAH WHEELER, daughter of Thomas Wheeler.

Children, surname *Sherwood*,

- i. THOMAS³, 3rd, b. 1653
- 3. ii. JOHN
- iii. MARY

3. **JOHN³ SHERWOOD**, born at Stratford, Conn., circa 1653, and died 1691. He married SARAH HURD, daughter of John Hurd. She married 2) July 1691, Samuel Beecker.

Children, surname *Sherwood*,

- 4. i. THOMAS⁴, b. 1686
- ii. ELIZABETH, m. REV. CHARLES CHAUNCEY

4. **THOMAS⁴ SHERWOOD**, was born 1686 and married, 1708, ABIGAIL DARLING of Jamaica, Long Island.

Children, surname *Sherwood*,

- i. JOHN⁵, b. 1709
 - ii. ABIGAIL
 - iii. SARAH
 - iv. THOMAS
 - v. SAMUEL
5. vi. SETH, b. June 1721

5. **SETH⁵ SHERWOOD**, was born June 1721 and died, probably at Sandy Hill after 1787. He purchased land in Fort Edward, Washington Co., N.Y. and removed there in 1762.

Children, surname *Sherwood*,

- i. SETH⁶, b. 1747. He was a Capt. in Rev. War. Probably this is the Seth Sherwood who served as town supervisor in 1782, 1786 and 1788, but that could have been the father.
6. ii. ADIEL, 1749
- iii. SARAH, 1751, m. _____ ADAMS

6. Col. **ADIEL⁶ SHERWOOD**, was born 25 Dec. 1749 and died at Kingsbury, N.Y., Dec. 1825. He married SARAH SHERWOOD, a second cousin, born Sharon, Conn., June 1775, died March 1827. He was a Captain in the Revolutionary War to 1796 and was elected to the State Legislature in 1783. He also served as an assistant Justice.

Nine children, surname *Sherwood*, including:

7. i. THOMAS⁷
8. ii. DR. ADIEL SHERWOOD, b. 3 Oct. 1791, Ft. Edward, N.Y.
- iii. CHARLOTTE, m. REV. ROBERT FLEMING of Ga.
- iv. SARAH, m. EDWARD MOSS. They had four children.
- v. HARRIET, m. ASA MOSS, many children.

7. Judge **THOMAS⁷ SHERWOOD**, died in 1867. He married SARAH WHITING and they had a large family. He was Postmaster at Kingsbury Village. A family informant stated in 1881 that he had served as a major in a British regiment in Canada. “He was a noble and pious man; more brilliant the family thought, than his brother [Dr. Adiel], but without his energy and application to duty.” — J. L. Sherwood.

Children (incomplete):

9. i. WINFIELD SCOTT⁸
- ii. BUSHROD WASHINGTON, an officer of the IOOF Jane McCrea Lodge and the last surviving son of the family.

8. Dr. **ADIEL⁷ SHERWOOD**, was born at Fort Edward, N.Y., 3 Oct. 1791 and died 18 Aug. 1879.

Children (incomplete), surname *Sherwood*,

- i. JULIA L.⁸, m. _____ DODGE and had children, including *Ernest C. Dodge*.

9. Judge **WINFIELD SCOTT⁸ SHERWOOD**, “Scott”, signer of the California Constitution, was born at Sandy Hill, Washington Co., N.Y., 1817, and died at Alleghany, Cal., at 25 June 1870. He married, 1840, SARAH WORTHINGTON, daughter of Elijah and Eunice (Bartlett) Worthington) who was born at Rome, N.Y. in 1820, and died 10 Jan. 1891.

He moved from Rome to Sacramento, California in 1849, his wife evidently following later, as she shows up in her father’s household in the 1850 census, taken on 31 July. He was a lawyer and Judge for the 9th

district. After his death, his widow returned to Rome, N.Y. and was living there in 1880.

The history of this gentleman is a sad one. He was a native of Rome, N.Y., where he occupied positions of responsibility and usefulness, coming to California at an early day, but like many another he contracted the habit of drinking to excess, and continually became alienated from his wife, an estimable and most accomplished lady. This noble woman made every effort to reform her erring husband, even following him to this country, hoping by her presence and counsel to win him from a course the end of which could be but too plainly foreseen. All, however, was of no avail; but habit had become so firmly fixed that it was impossible for him to shake it off. Since his residence in Sierra County, he has been a leading member of the Democratic Party, and ran for State Senator, on that ticket last fall. [LAM]

Children, surname *Sherwood*:

- i. ELIZABETH PERCY⁹, "Sarah" (1850), b. 1844; m. 1883, WILLIAM GARDNER MACDOWELL, who was b. at Philadelphia, 1846.
- ii. M. WORTHINGTON, b. 1846.

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WAS Corey (1850)



Jacob P. Snyder

The Family of Jacob Rink Snyder

1. **JOHN¹ SNYDER**, a flour merchant in Philadelphia 1812-13, was bankrupted by the loss of three cargos to a British squadron. Thereafter, he returned to his original trade, brickmaking. He was a veteran of the War of 1812.

Children, surname *Snyder*,

2. i. JACOB RINK², b. 23 Aug. 1813
3. ii. THOMAS H.
- iii. MARGARET A., m. _____ MCADAM, res. Phila. in 1881.
- iv. CHARLES S.
- v. GEORGE
- v. JOHN M.

2. **JACOB RINK² SNYDER**, (*John¹*), signer of the California Constitution; was born at Philadelphia, Penn., 23 Aug. 1812 and died at his home in Sonoma, 29 Apr. 1878. He married in San Jose 9 Jan. 1850, SUSAN H. BRAYTON. The ceremony was performed by her father, the Rev. Isaac H. Brayton, formerly of Massachusetts. She died 20 June 1871. He married, second, 20 Apr. 1874, RACHEL JANE SEARS, the only daughter of Franklin and Margaret (Swift) Sears*. She was born in 1852 in Sonoma County and died near Sonoma, 10 Jan. 1940. [PR,GB]

Apprenticed as a house carpenter; Jacob Snyder moved in 1834 to the Ohio River where Albany, Indiana is now. Within a few years he had moved on to St. Louis. He was self-educated and made his living as a surveyor and banker.

* Franklin Sears was born 28 June 1817, in Orange County, Missouri and resided in Saline County until 1844 when he travelled overland to Oregon. The following year he came south to California, settling in Sonoma in 1846, where he built a ranch of 740 acres. He married Margaret Swift in 1851 and they had two children, Rachel Jane (above) and Granville C. P.

He came to California in 1845 as part of a loose band of travelers remembered as the Swasey-Todd Party. They split off from a larger group headed to Oregon and found their way across the Sierras without a guide, arriving at Johnson's Ranch on 23 September. Shortly thereafter, he moved on to Yerba Buena. Two months later, Snyder and three others continued on to the hills above Santa Cruz where they engaged in a lumber business.

When war broke out in 1846, he joined Fremont's California Battalion and served as quartermaster. Following the war, he was appointed by General Mason, the military governor of the territory, as Surveyor General of the Middle Department of California. He resigned the position to enter business at Sacramento. He quickly established himself as a man of merit in the town and was elected to represent the district at the constitutional convention.

In 1850 he joined the early banking firm of James King of William. He was nominated from San Francisco to the first State Senate in 1851 where his principal contributions were his opposition to a ban on Chinese immigration and his work to defeat a move to call another constitutional convention. In 1853 he received an appointment from President Pierce to the position of Assistant Treasurer in San Francisco. He also served as President of the Society of California Pioneers.

In 1862 he retired to his home in the Sonoma Valley where he lived out the rest of his days. He planted 72 acres of vines and in 1864, he won his first wine medal at a San Francisco judging. At his death his estate was valued at eighty thousand dollars plus real estate, including almost two hundred acres of land in Sonoma as well as buildings and lots in San Francisco appraised at more than \$37,000. [BBC, HSC, MCM]

Adopted child, surname *Snyder*,

- i. REBECCA MARIE³, b. ca. 1870, adopted in 1878.

3. **THOMAS H.² SNYDER**, (*John*¹), married CATHERINE _____; he died before 1878.

Children, surname *Snyder*,

- i. CATHERINE³, m. _____ BOWEN

- ii. LAVINA, m. _____ PYLE
- iii. MARGARET A.
- iv. JACOB R.
- v. JOHN M.
- vi. HENRY A.

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John A. Sutter

The Family of

John Augustus Sutter

1. **JOHANN JAKOB^C SUTER**, married, 1774, SOPHIE ELIZABETH SIMON; moved from Runenberg, Switzerland to Basel. Their son...
2. **HANS^B SUTER**, (*Johann J.^C*) moved from Basel to Kandern. His son...
3. **JOHANN JAKOB^A SUTER**, (*Hans^B, Johann J.^C*) was born 2 Jan. 1776; married, Aug. 1801, CHRISTINE WILHELMINE STOBERIN, daughter of Rev. Johann Adolf and Christine (Kurz) Stoberin. Their son...
4. **JOHN AUGUSTUS¹ SUTTER**, (*Johann J.^A, Hans^B, Johann J.^C*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Kandern, Baden, Germany, probably 15 Feb. 1803 although there is disagreement on this.* He died at Washington, D.C., 19 June 1880†. He married 24 Oct. 1826 in Burgdorf, Switz., ANNA (“Annette”, “Nannette”) DUBELD, daughter of Samuel and Rosanna (Ris) Dubeld, who was baptized at Runenberg, Switz. on 15 Sept. 1805 and died at Lititz, Penn., 19 Jan. 1881. They are both buried at Lititz, Penn. — eight miles from Lancaster — in the Moravian Cemetery.

Sutter left Europe with his wife and children in 1834 stopping for five months in Hawaii. From there he obtained passage for his family and eight to ten “kanakas” under indentures to Sitka, Alaska and from there to San Francisco. He was naturalized as a Mexican citizen on 29 Aug. 1840 and obtained his first grant of land on 18 June 1841 — eleven leagues of land (40,000 acres) which he called New Helvetia. Later that fall, he purchased Fort Ross from the Russians for \$30,000 sealing their departure from the borders of Alta California.

Sutter’s Fort, built at the present location of Sacramento, became the portal to California and a welcome sight for emigrants from the United

* 15 Feb. 1803–Zollinger; 15 Feb. 1800–Sutter’s Fort Historical Monument; 28 Feb. 1803–Bowman; 1 March 1803–Lingenfelter; bp. 23 Feb. 1803–Dana.

† or 18 June (Bowman) or 17 June (Hunt, v. 4 p. 54).

States. Here they would find shelter and supplies and the opportunity to rest a few days before continuing on to their final destinations.

The discovery of gold on his property in 1848 brought an end to Sutter's empire. Gold rush squatters pushed him off his lands, ruined his agricultural operations and sent him into poverty. As the chaos was developing, Sutter attended the constitutional convention. He spoke from the floor only once but he was active behind the scenes. If he thought he could protect his interests there, he was wrong. By 1851, the new state government had invalidated most of his land grants and forced him to withdraw to his last remaining grant, Hock Farm, near present-day Yuba City.

He continued to fight the government for restoration of his property. In 1864, the California legislature finally voted a pension of \$15,000 to be issued to him in the form of a \$250 cheque each month for five years. This closed the book on the issue.

Unsatisfied, Sutter took the money and moved to Washington, D.C. where he lobbied the Federal government for restitution. In 1880, a bill was presented in Congress which would have given him \$50,000 but on 16 June, the House adjourned without taking action on it. Sutter died the following day.

Children, surname *Sutter*, all born at Burgdorf, Switzerland:

5. i. JOHANN AUGUSTUS², JR., "John", b. 25 Oct. 1826
6. ii. ANNA ELISE, "Eliza", b. 30 May 1828
 - iii. EMIL VIKTOR, "E. J.", b. 16 Jan. 1830; a noted publisher in San Francisco for many years, he engaged in copper mining and served as Greek consul before committing suicide on 3 July 1881 at Ostend, Belgium. He never married.
7. iv. WILHELM ALPHONSE, b. 15 May 1832
 - v. CARL ALBERT MAXIMILIAN, b. 26 Dec. 1833, d. 23 May 1839 at Burgdorf.

5. JOHN AUGUSTUS² SUTTER, JR., "Don Juan", (*John A.¹*), was born 25 Oct. 1826, Burgdorf, Switz. He married in the latter part of 1850 in the parish church at Acapulco, Mexico, MARIA DEL CARMEN RIVAS (daughter of Francisco and Dorotea (Cummani) Rivas), born circa 1836, and died 11 Mar. 1898, Brooklyn, N.Y., aged 62 years. They were separated before 1862 and he married second, about 1870 (legalized 13

Apr. 1894), NICOLASA SOLIS. She was born about 1850 and died at San Francisco, 18 Feb. 1922. John, Jr. died at his townhouse at Calle Bravo 3, Acapulco, Mexico, 21 Sept. 1897 and was interred at the family vault at Panteon Municipal. In 1964, amid much ceremony, his remains were transported to Sacramento for reinternment. Present at the ceremonies in Acapulco was then mayor of Acapulco, Richard Sutter Morlet.

He came to California with his father and removed to Mexico in 1850 on his own. On 24 Nov. 1855 he acquired Rancho Los Organos on the banks of the Rio de la Sobana. He added to the property, more than doubling the size of the rancho by 1888. He was appointed vice commercial agent for the port of Acapulco on 20 Aug. 1865 and renewed in 1866. On 14 July 1870 he was made full consul by President Grant. The Mexican revolt of 1914-1915 destroyed the plantation, whereupon his widow, daughter Anna, and four grandchildren fled on the first steamer to San Francisco.

The property in Mexico was mortgaged and the family lost several lawsuits. [*SB, FB, NDGW*]

Children by first wife, surname *Sutter*:

8. i. JOHN AUGUST³ III, b. 1852, Guaymas, Mex.
9. ii. ANNA ELIZA, b. 1856, Acapulco, Mex.
10. iii. MARIA DEL CARMEN, b. 1857, Acapulco, Mex.

Children by second wife[‡]:

- iv. CRISTINA, b. 1874; m. 3 Sept. 1894, Prof. JAN HERMAN MUNCH-VAN WOLBECK (changed name to Van Wolbeck). They had four children, not traced. She died at San Francisco, 28 May, 1935.
- v. ALFREDO CARLOS, "Carlos Alfredo", b. 1875, d. 1880.
- vi. REGINALDO R., b. 1878
- vii. JUAN NORBERT, b. 1882, d. 1882; an officer in the American Merchant Marine; Chief officer of the Columbian, Amer-Hawaiian Steamship. He married and had three daughters and two sons, including *Dolores*, m. _____ Kason.

[‡] Four children born before Carlos (#10) died in infancy. This would include (#5) Alfredo Carlos and (#8) Arturo Sutter.

viii. ARTURO, b. 1884, d. 1885.

ix. ANNA, “Anita”, b. 18 Sept. 1887; m. at San Francisco, Cal. 7 Jan. 1920, WILLIAM B. YOUNG of San Francisco, a coppersmith of Danish ancestry who died July 1959. Upon their marriage, they took the four children of her sister, Rosa Sofia into their home. After fleeing to San Francisco in 1914, she devoted much of her time in a fruitless effort to reclaim the Sutter family’s lost riches in the Sacramento valley. She died at Daly City, Jan. 1970.

x. ALFREDO CARLOS, b. 1890, disappeared in his youth—probably went to sea.

11. xi. ROSA SOFIA

6. **ANNA ELISE² SUTTER**, “*Eliza*”; (*John A.¹*) was born 30 May 1828 and died at Acapulco, Mexico, March 1895. She married at Hock Farm, Sutter Co., Cal., 1 March 1852, **GEORGE DAVID ENGLER**, by Judge James Cushing of Marysville. They were divorced 10 June 1855. She married, second, **DR. FRANCIS XAVIER LINK** (of Marysville, b. ca. 1819) also at Hock Farm. [*LING, FB*]

Children (may be incomplete), surname *Link*,

i. **VICTOR ALPHONSE³**, b. Acapulco, Mex. ; m. ANNA ELIZA SUTTER, dau. of Johann Augustus Sutter, Jr, see below); died San Francisco, 1914.

ii. **EMIL**, b. Acapulco, educated in San Francisco, res. Guatemala and d. there. Unmarried.

7. **WILHELM ALPHONSE² SUTTER**, *William*, (*John A.¹*) was born 15 May 1832 and died at Nevada City, Cal., 14 Aug. 1863 at the age of 31 years. He is buried in the Pioneer Cemetery in that town. He married **PAULINE STOOTZ**, daughter of Rev. Stootz of Berne, Switzerland. She was born 1836 and died 16 March 1908 in San Francisco. She was a famous concert singer in the early days of California.

He was a Captain in Wm. Walker’s filibusters in Nicaragua, made Colonel, and served as an aide to Governor Bigler. His widow remarried in 1865 to Prof. Carl Van Gulpen (“*Van Gulpier*” — *Cypress Lawn Cemetery*) and had a son, Otto, by him.

Child, surname *Sutter*,

i. **ALPHONSE³**, b. Anaheim, Cal. 19 Feb. 1863, d. at San Francisco 18 Oct. 1927 of myocarditis. He m. **EMMA PERRY** at San Francisco. Public accountant. They resided at 1225 Hyde St. at the time of his death. He had been a resident of the city for three

years. In 1954, his widow was living at Menlo Park. He is buried at Cypress Lawn.
[SF, SCP]

8. **JOHN AUGUST³ SUTTER III**, (*John A.², John A.¹*), was born at Guaymas, Mexico, (Acapulco - Dana) 1852. He married 1) FANNIE SALT of New York City. His will is dated 6 July 1911 and probated 19 Sept. 1911, leaving widow, MARY AGNES and three children.

Children by first wife, surname *Sutter*,

- i. JOHN AUGUST⁴ IV, no children.
- ii. VICTOR ALPHONSE, d. inf.
- 12. iii. ALPHONSE VICTOR
- iv. JUANITA, m. (1) FRANKLIN EARLE, (2) WM. KLEINSCHMIDT. She had two daughters by her first husband, Juanita and Natalie.

9. **ANNA ELIZA³ SUTTER**, (*John A.², John A.¹*), born 1856 in Acapulco, Mexico. She attended Linden Hall School in Lititz, Penn. She married 1) prior to 1880, HOWARD J. HULL of Lititz, a civil engineer. She married 2) her 1st cousin, VICTOR ALPHONSE LINK (see above). [SDU, SB]

Children, surname *Hull*,

- i. HOWARD JOSEPH SUTTER⁴, of Lancaster, Penn., in 1943; m. SUSAN ESHLEMAN, dau. of John E. Eshleman. They had child, *Howard J. S. Hull, JR.*
- ii. RICHARD, had *Richard, Jr., Ysabel* and *Annie*.

Children, surname *Link*,

- iii. VICTOR ALPHONSE, b. San Francisco, 3 July 1889; Chief Engineer. Not married.
- iv. CAPT. FRANK SUTTER, "Francis Xavier Sutter Link", U.S. Navy, b. San Francisco 26 Apr. 1891; m. Berkeley, 26 Nov. 1921, AIDA WANDA VERDI dau. of Anthony Frederick and Katherine Camilla (Nave) Verdi), b. 9 Nov. 1899, Berkeley. They had a child, *Aida Anna Link*, b. 25 Aug. 1922, Berkeley. [FB]
- v. EUGENE FREDERICK, b. San Francisco, 2 Jan. 1895. Staff Sgt., U.S. Army. (Died 25 Aug. 1922?) Not married.

10. **MARIA DEL CARMEN³ SUTTER**, (*John A.², John A.¹*), born 1857, Acapulco, Mexico. She married prior to 1880, JESSE M. SMITH of Woonsocket, Rhode Island. She died, 3 May 1890 at Woonsocket. Three children.

Children (incomplete). surname *Smith*:

- i. JESSE M⁴., b. 1879-80.

11. **ROSA SOFIA³ SUTTER**, (*John A.², John A.¹*), married _____ SIERRA. She died before 1943.

Children, surname *Sierra*:

- i. SOFIA⁴, m. _____ SCHWARTZ.
- ii. RAYMOND GARCIA
- iii. CARMEN, m. ca. 1932, FULGENCIO S. ESCUDERO of Mexico City (1960, Fulton Escuador); res. S.F in 1964. They had a son, *Phillip*.
- iv. PHILIP

12. **ALPHONSE VICTOR⁴ SUTTER**, (*John A.³, John A.², John A.¹*)

Children, surname *Sutter*,

- i. JOHN A. IV, d. prob. 24 Aug. 1951
- ii. VICTOR A., m. Feb. 1951 in N.Y.C., TEOLINDA ALTAGRACIA FRANCO, dau. of the consul general of the Dominican Republic and Charge d'Affaires, Washington, D.C.

Addendum:

An obituary in the *L.A. Times*, dated 25 Oct. 1949, for Dr. Katharine Sutter Krenning states that she was a granddaughter of John A. Sutter, Sr. She was born in Missouri about 1889 and considering the date, she was probably a great-granddaughter. She was the widow of Benjamin Krenning, President of the old Dorris Motor Car Co. of St. Louis. She left three sisters, Mrs. Annabelle Grace of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Mabel Berry and Mrs. Lena Winter, both of St. Louis. [LAT]

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San Diego District

Henry Hill

Miguel T. Pedrorena



Henry Hille

The Family of Henry Hill

1. _____ **HILL** was a commander in Virginia in 1630.
2. **WILLIAM**² **HILL** “was buried in the churchyard” on 12 Feb. 1669 [PR]. He married ANN _____ and they settled in Middlesex Co., Virginia. She married 2) William Colson. [MVW]

Probable children, surname *Hill*,

3. i. THOMAS³, b.1657
4. ii. WILLIAM
 - iii. SUSANNAH, m. EDWARD ELLIS, 7 July 1678
 - iv. DOROTHY, m. WILLIAM TIGNOR, JR., 18 July 1682
 - v. ELIZABETH, m. THOMAS THOMPSON, 17 Sept. 1682
3. **THOMAS**³ **HILL**, (*William*²) of Middlesex Co., was born 1657 and died 1720. He married ANN RUSSELL. She may have married 2) Hezekiah Roads, 8 Dec. 1720. Thomas appears in a list of men who are to provide “a man, horse, and armes” on 23 Nov. 1687. He was taken out of the list of tithables 10 Nov. 1696.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. MARY⁴, b. 14 Feb. 1678, bp. 6 Apr. 1678; may have m. JOHN HADLEY as his will, written in 1710, names as executors, his wife (unnamed) and “brother Richard Hill.”
- ii. REBECCA, b. 30 Aug. 1682, bp. 17 Sept. 1682; d. young.
5. iii. WILLIAM, bp. 20 July 1684.
- iv. REBECCA, bp. 28 Nov. 1686; m. 1) JOHN HUGHES, 31 Dec. 1704, 2) THOMAS WHITAKER, 20 Aug. 1724
- v. RICHARD, d. unm. 18 Jan. 1731, bur. 22 Jan. 1731; his will leaves his estate to his sister, Rebecca Whitaker, and his brother, William Hill, and his family.

other Hill's who may be associated with this family:

FRANCIS, mentioned as a friend of William Churchill in his will, written 1710.

ISAACK, m. MARGARET JENNINGS, 28 July 1708; he had a servant in 1723, Lancelott Fuller.

ELIZABETH, m. PATRICK MILLER, 11 Oct. 1722

EDWARD, d. 20 Feb. 1736

JOHN, d. in 1714/5

LEONARD, administrator of an estate in 1708.

4. **WILLIAM³ HILL**, (*William²*), of Middlesex Co., died 6 May 1720 and was buried 8 May 1720. He married ANN _____. She died 15 Jan. 1726. They cared for an elderly woman, Mary Ranstead, for over three years, for which they received an annual stipend from the church of £800. Mary died shortly after William. Ann continued to collect a widow's stipend of \$800 until she died. Her last days were spent in the care of Joseph Humphreys and she apparently died at his house.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. ISABELLA⁴, b. 1 May 1698; m. JOHN JONES, 20 May 1729
- ii. ANN, bp. 30 Mar. 1701; m. JOHN DUDLEY, 26 June 1720
- iii. ELIZABETH, bp. 2 March 1706/7; m. 13 Feb. 1725, EDWARD WHITAKER.
- iv. JOHN, bp. 1 Oct. 1710
- v. MARY, bp. 10 May 1713; m. RICHARD CARTER, 4 June 1733
- vi. DIANAH, b. 25 Aug. 1715, bp. 25 Sept. 1715; m. 30 May 1734, DAVID BARWICK.
- vii. PRISCILLA, b. 17 Sept. 1718, bp. 5 Oct. 1718

5. **WILLIAM⁴ HILL**, (*Thomas³, William²*), of Middlesex Co., was born 20 July 1684 and died 1759. He married 7 Sept. 1710 FRANCES NEEDLES, born 19 Mar. 1690, daughter of William and Dorothy Needles. They had a servant, Margaret Brown, in 1724.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. THOMAS⁵, b. 20 May 1711; d. 3 Aug. 1720, bur. 4 Aug. 1720
- ii. WILLIAM, b. 7 Nov. 1712, d. 25th Apr. 1746; prob. m. BRIDGETT (HEARNS) MULLINAX, widow of John Mullinax.

- iii. RICHARD, b. 15 Jan. 1714/5, bp. 22 Jan. 1714/5; d. 23 Jan. 1714
- 6. iv. RUSSELL, b. 23 Jan. 1716/7, bp. 21 Apr. 1717
 - v. JUDITH, b. 2 June 1719, bp. 28 June 1719; m. WILLIAM BOUGHTOUN, 22 Jan. 1737/8
 - vi. THOMAS, b. 17 June 1722, bp. 15 July 1722; d. 13 Apr. 1740
- 7. vii. NEEDLES, b. 12 Aug. 1725, bp. 19 Sept. 1725
 - viii. FRANCES, b. 26 Jan. 1727, bp. 10 Mar. 1727; d. 30 May 1746
 - ix. ANNE, b. 25 July 1730, bp. 30 Aug. 1730

6. **RUSSELL⁵ HILL**, (*William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), was born 23 Jan. 1716; and married 11 Apr. 1738, ANNE TOWLES, born 23 Apr. 1719, daughter of Stokely and Ann (Vallott) Towles. Russell and his brother, Needles, moved to Culpeper Co., Virginia Colony.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. FRANCES⁶, b. 25 Feb. 1738, d. 12 Mar. 1738/9, Middlesex Co.
- 8. ii. HENRY, b. 17 Oct. 1743
- 9. iii. WILLIAM, d. ca. 1809; m. FRANCES WOOD
- iv. FANNIE

7. **NEEDLES⁵ HILL**, (*William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), of Middlesex and Culpeper Cos., was born 12 Aug. 1725; his estate was appraised on 26 Feb. 1776. He married 1) JANE _____. He married 2) 4 Oct. 1758, LETETIA MORGAN, daughter of William Morgan. She died in 1784. It is said he settled in Culpeper Co., but he is seen to be active in Middlesex Co. through 1767, at least. In 1750, he accepted guardianship of Anna Porter, formerly ward of his brother, William.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. [FRA]NCES⁶, b. 22 March 1752
- ii. HUMPHREY, b. 7 Apr. 1755
- iii. WILLIAM, b. 24 June 1756

8. **HENRY⁶ HILL**, (*Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), was born, probably in Culpeper Co., Virginia, 17 Oct. 1743 and died 12 Sept. 1815. He married 22 Dec. 1771, ANNE POWELL, daughter of Ambrose and

Mary (Bledsoe) Powell. She was born 13 May 1755 [or 1735] and died 25 Sept. 1805. Henry was a captain in the Revolutionary War.

Children, surname *Hill*,

10. i. Col. ROBERT⁷, m. JUDY CHAPMAN
 - ii. WILLIAM, d. young
11. iii. COL. HARRY, m. MATILDA PAYNE
 - iv. JOHN
12. v. AMBROSE POWELL, b. 13 March 1785
13. vi. MAJOR THOMAS, b. 3 Oct. 1789
 - vii. FANNIE, m. HENRY FIELD
 - viii. NANCY

9. **WILLIAM⁶ HILL**, (*Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), m. _____
WOOD

Children, surname *Hill*,

14. i. ARMISTEAD⁷
 - ii. WILLIAM, m. _____ PARSONS
15. iii. RUSSELL
 - iv. ELIZABETH, m. CAPT. DANIEL BROWN
 - v. LUCY, m. JOHN NALLE
 - vi. NANCY, m. GEORGE ROBERTS

10. Col. **ROBERT⁷ HILL**, (*Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), m. JUDY CHAPMAN.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. WILLIAM⁸, m. SALLIE TUTT
- ii. ROBERT, m. _____ HUME
- iii. ANN, m. _____ BOOTON
- iv. POLLY
- v. FANNIE, m. _____ THOMPSON, of Albemarle

11.Col. **HARRY⁷ HILL**, (*Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), married MATILDA PAYNE.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. JOHN P.⁸, m. _____ TERRELL
- ii. COL. HENRY, m. _____ MCCCHESNEY
- iii. ANDREW, m. _____ TATUM
- iv. THOMAS
- v. ELIZA, m. A. TWYMAN
- vi. ANSON

12.AMBROSE POWELL⁷ **HILL**, (*Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), married FRANCES TWYMAN, probably Frances (Garnett) Twyman, daughter of William and Elizabeth Garnett. [CCV]

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. JAMES⁸
- ii. THOMAS, m. 1) his cousin MARGARET HILL [*see below*]; 2) ELIZABETH FICKLIN; res. Culpeper Co.
- 16. iii. DR. WILLIAM A., m. J. FRANCIS _____ and/or FANNIE BOOTON; res. Madison Co.
- iv. SARAH ANNE, b. 1807, m. 1826, WILLIAM COWHERD; res. Orange Co.
- v. ELIZA W., m. THOMAS O. FLINT.
- vi. FRANCES E., m. WILLIAM TWYMAN; res. Madison Co.
- 17. vii. HENRY, b. Feb. 1816.
- ?viii. EDWARD T., m. LUCY F. _____; he was mentioned in an indenture with the other named children of William Hill in 1854. They res. Madison Co.

13.Major **THOMAS⁷ HILL**, (*Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*) was born 3 Oct. 1789 and had died by 1875. He married FANNIE BAPTIST, daughter of _____ and Isabell (Stearns) Baptist[CCV].

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. JAMES⁸

- ii. THEOPHILUS
- iii. EDWARD BAPTIST, b. ca. 1822, m. MILDRED A. TURNER.
- iv. Lt. Gen. AMBROSE POWELL, b. 9 Nov. 1835, killed at Petersburg, 2 April 1865; m. DOLLY MORGAN.
- v. MARGARET, m. her cousin THOMAS HILL [#12 ii]
- vi. EVELYN, m. her cousin, HENRY HILL [*see* #17].
- vii. LUCY R., b. ca. 1845; m. CARTER A. SAUNDERS.

14. **ARMISTEAD⁷ HILL**, (*William⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), married _____ TAZEWELL.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. NANCY HENRY⁸, m. DR. MORDECAI BROWN
- ii. SALLIE, m. _____ NELSON

15. **RUSSELL⁷ HILL**, (*William⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), married PEGGIE BAPTIST.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. MARTHA⁸, m. _____ WALLACE; res. Petersburg
- ii. SARA, m. _____ FISCHER; res. Petersburg

16. Dr. **WILLIAM A.⁸ HILL**, (*Ambrose P.⁷, Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), married J. FRANCIS _____ and/or FANNIE BOOTON and resided in Madison Co.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. MAJOR BOOTON⁹
- ii. ANNA LEE
- iii. JULIA
- iv. IRVINE
- v. HUGH

17. **HENRY⁸ HILL**, (*Ambrose P.⁷, Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in Culpeper

Co., Virginia, Feb. 1816 and died there 27 Sept. 1866. He married EVELYN HILL (called F. E. Hill in the indenture of 1854), daughter of Major Thomas and Fannie (Russell) Hill.

Educated for a career in business, he entered one of the counting-houses of Baltimore at a young age and subsequently commenced business in partnership with his brother-in-law, Thomas O. Flint. In 1832 he joined the Baptist Church at Gourd Vine, later transferring to Culpeper Court House where he had his business. He was appointed postmaster of the place during the Van Buren administration. Support from the local populace kept him in the position through the Harrison administration. He finally resigned in 1845-46 when he was offered an important clerkship in Washington under President Polk. In 1847, he resigned and on the 6th of November, he accepted the position of Major and paymaster in the U. S. Army. In this service, he was dispatched to California.

He purchased a lot in San Francisco, the territory's most "American" town, but by 1849 he had moved to Monterey.

His stay in California was not long. By 1852 he had been transferred to Texas and filed for 160 acres of bounty land in Nueces County on the 25th of August of that year. By 1861, he was serving in New York City. With the coming of civil war, he resigned his post, returned all the public property under his charge and returned to his native state of Virginia where he was immediately appointed paymaster-general of the Virginia forces, with the rank of cavalry colonel. By the end of the war his spirit and health were broken and he died shortly after the surrender. [RH]

Children, surname *Hill*,

18. i. FRANCIS⁹, b. 1840, d. 1870.

19. ii. HENRY RUSSELL, b. 1844, d. 1882

18. FRANCIS⁹ HILL, *Frank*, (*Henry*⁸, *Ambrose P.*⁷, *Henry*⁶, *Russell*⁵, *William*⁴, *Thomas*³, *William*²) was born 1840 and died 1870. He married MARY BYRD MILLER (1840-1870) of Caroline Co.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. EVELYN BYRD¹⁰, b. ca. 1869; m. 1) PORTE RANSOME; 2) GEORGE L. BROWNING; she was put under the wardship of Carter A. Saunders (above) after her parents died.
- ii. HARRY BYRD, d. 1870, aged 1 year.

19. **HENRY RUSSELL⁹ HILL**, (*Henry⁸, Ambrose P.⁷, Henry⁶, Russell⁵, William⁴, Thomas³, William²*) was born 1844 and died 1882. He married BETTE BYRON CORBIN who was born 1848 and died in 1930.

Children, surname *Hill*,

- i. MINNIE LOUISE¹⁰, d. 25 Apr. 1892, aged 27 years; m. GEORGE STUART BRIGGS. No children.
- ii. FRANCES AMBROSE, b. 1870, d. 1946; m. PEARCE HORNE (1873-1953). They res. Washington, D.C. No children.

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Miguel de Pedrorena

The Family of

Miguel Telesforo Pedrorena

1. **MIGUEL TELESFORO¹ PEDRORENA**, signer of the California Constitution, was born at Burgos, Spain in 1808 and died at San Diego, 30 Mar. 1850. He married in San Diego, 4 May 1842, MARIA ANTONIA ESTUDILLO. She was born at San Diego circa 1826. [WK]

Maria was known as “La Mitria” because of the blackness of her magnificent eyes. She was a second-generation American, being the granddaughter of Don Jose Maria Estudillo (born Andalucia, Spain; died San Diego, 8 Apr. 1830) and wife, Maria Gerturdis Horcasitis (born circa 1771) whom he married in Lóreto, Mexico, about 1795. Their son, Jose Antonio Estudillo (born Monterey, 1803; died San Diego, 19 July 1852) married Maria Victoria de Jesus Dominguez 1 March 1825. She was the daughter of Cristobal Dominguez and Maria de la Reyes Ibanez. “La Mitria” was their eldest child and a good eighteen years younger than her husband. One of her brothers was a secretary to Queen Cristina. Another brother was a Carlist and was killed during “the Troubles.”

None of the sources give the ancestry of Miguel Pedrorena. Bancroft described him as being “of a good Spanish family, intelligent, scholarly,” and was said to have been highly connected in both London and Madrid. A portrait of his parents was known to be in the possession of relatives in the Estudillo family in 1860.

Miguel lived in London for several years as a young man where he learned to speak fluent English. He came to California in 1837 on board the Spanish brig *Delmira*, of which McCall & Co., Lima, South America were agents. Bancroft says he owned some lots in San Francisco in 1845 and 1846 and that he held a claim of over \$3000 against the Mexican government, although he declined an appointment to bring charges against then-Governor Micheltorena. He supported the United States’ cause in California, serving as *Juez de Paz* (Justice of the Peace) and as a Captain in the California Battalion of the U.S. Cavalry under Stockton in the war with Mexico.

He spent much of his time in Santa Barbara before he married Maria. From 1845 on, he resided in San Diego, where he served as collector of customs, 1847-48. He was the grantor of the Rancho San Jacinto in 1846 and Maria was the grantor of the Rancho El Cajon in 1845. The latter grant, comprising 48,799.85 acres, was patented to his heirs on 6 Apr. 1879.

Miguel Pedrorena arrived at the Constitutional Convention after the meetings had been in progress for more than two weeks. He came with William Richardson, both intending to represent San Diego. Pedrorena was accepted as a representative; however, Richardson was denied admission. The question of how many representatives each district should have had already been resolved and San Diego was only allowed two.

Pedrorena returned home and helped to lay out the plan of New San Diego, but failed to live long enough to see the effects of statehood. He died in San Diego, 30 Mar. 1850, at the age of 42. Sadly, his beautiful wife and mother of his four children died less than a year later on 2 Feb. 1851, at the age of 26. She was buried the next day in the cemetery of the Mission San Diego. The orphaned children were raised by her mother, the widow of Don Jose Maria Estudillo. [BBC, LAC]

Children, surname *Pedrorena*:

2. i. PEDRO JOSE MIGUEL, Jr., b. 10 Nov. 1844.
3. ii. VICTORIA, b. at San Diego, ca. 1846. She m. 1) at San Diego, 6 or 7 Sept. 1856, Dr. JOHN F. HAMMOND, but was forcibly taken by an uncle to the mission Santo Tomas, Baja, where the marriage was annulled. She m. 2) at San Diego, 15 June 1859 (church wedding, 31 Mar. 1869, Mission San Diego) Lieut. HENRY C. MAGEE.
4. iii. YSABEL D., b. 29 July 1846, d. at San Diego, ca. 13 Dec. 1893. She m. at San Diego, 12 Nov. 1863, JOSE ANTONIO ALTAMIRANO, son of Tomas and Dolores (Carrillo) Altamirano who was b. at La Paz, on the Baja peninsula, 31 May 1835, d. San Diego, 18 Oct. 1903.
5. iv. ELENA, "Helena", b. San Diego, Dec. 1849 (1846 gs.), d. at Los Angeles, 1 Dec. 1927. She was educated at San Diego and at the College of Notre Dame in San Jose. She m. at San Francisco, 20 Sept. 1869, JOSEPH W. WOLFSKILL, the son of William and Magdalena (Lugo) Wolfskill. Joseph was b. Los Angeles, 14 Sept. 1844 (1843 gs.), d. there, 4 Feb. 1928. Both Elena and her husband are buried in the Calvary Cemetery in Los Angeles. They had eleven children.

2. **PEDRO JOSE MIGUEL² PEDRORENA** (*Miguel¹*) was born 10 Nov. 1844. [MSD] He married at San Diego, 27 Dec. 1875, NELLIE BURTON, a daughter of Capt. Gen. Henry Stanton and Maria Ampara (Ruiz) Burton*. She was born at Old Town, San Diego, on 4 July 1850[†] and died there 5 Feb. 1910. Pedro, evidently a victim of ill health, wrote his will in Los Angeles on 8 Jan. 1877 giving his age as 35 years. However, he lived until 25 Dec. 1882 when he died at Jamul Valley.

One child, surname *Pedrorena*:

- i. EILEEN ELENA, b. 24 May 1877, m. ca. 1893 _____ GONZALES. (3)

The Magee Branch.

1. **HENRY¹ MAGEE** and wife, SARAH MULHOLLON were Protestant who came from County Antrim, Northern Ireland circa 1794.

Children, surname *Magee*:

- i. REBECCA²
- ii. Hon. JOHN of Watkins, New York, formerly of Bath, b. Easton, Penn. 3 Sept. 1794
- 2. iii. HUGH, m. EMILIA DONTREMONDE
- iv. THOMAS J.
- v. MARY

2. **HUGH² MAGEE** (*Henry¹*), m. EMILIA DONTREMONDE

Children (incomplete), surname *Magee*:

- 3. i. HENRY³, b. ca. 1825, California Pioneer
- ii. JOHN, was a private in Co. I and went to California in 1847 with his brother.

* The grandmother, Ampara, collected a United States pension in New York City from Apr. 5, 1864 to June 4, 1872 when she returned to California, settling at San Francisco. She went home to San Diego 1891-2, then lived three years in Mexico City before traveling to Chicago on business. She died 12 Aug. 1895, at age 60.

[†] Various dates are given for the birth of Nellie Burton, ranging from 1841 to 1859. She appears on the 1850 Census at age 2/12 supporting the July 1850 date.

3. Lieutenant **HENRY C.³ MAGEE** (*Hugh², Henry¹*), born circa 1825, “Angelica”, Allegheny Co., N.Y., died in 1896 in California. He married at San Diego, 15 June 1859 and again at San Diego Mission, 31 March 1869, VICTORIA PEDRORENA, the daughter of Miguel and Maria Antonia (Estudillo) Pedrorena. She was born, 1844, in San Diego, and died 5 Aug. 1886 at St. Mary’s Hospital in San Francisco. [ECW]

He came to California via the Cape Horn route with Co. I in Stevenson’s Regiment. “The company left Bath Aug. 1, 1846, and proceeded at once to New York, where it was equipped and disciplined for active service. It then sailed on a six months voyage to San Francisco, landing on the site of the city in March, 1847, but was soon ordered to San Diego, where the men remained until mustered out of service in 1848.” [HH]

Nine children (all living in 1907), surname *Magee*:

4. i. JANE⁴ “Jennie” P., b. ca. 1863
 - ii. HUGH, of Condor’s Nest, Mt. Palomar, b. San Jacinto Rancho, 29 Aug. 1864; d. Oceanside, 1 Apr., 1941, age 76; bur. Greenwood Cemetery in San Diego. He m., 6 Nov. 1912, Florence M. Shipley, b. New York, ca. 1883, res. Carlsbad, 1912. No children mentioned at his death. He was a farmer in Santa Margarita; res. Las Flores until 1913; in 1927 he lived at Pala. [SDUI,DBT]
5. iii. VICTOR MIGUEL, b. San Jacinto, 13 Sept. 1866.
6. iv. MARIA ANTONIA, b. El Cajon Rancho, 1869.
7. v. MARIA ANNA, b. ca. 1872 (she was 15 in 1886).
 - vi. HENRY K., b. ca. 1875 (aged 12 in 1886). Nothing further known.
8. vii. BEATRICE, b. San Diego, 23 Sept. 1881.
 - viii. WILLIAM PATRICK, b. ca. 1880; m. GERALDINE S. _____; res. San Juan Capistrano ca. 1927; at Carlsbad in 1938; Mt. Palomar in 1941; Condor’s Nest in 1949; and Pala in 1951. Two children, *Jane de Pedrorena* and *William Francis*.
 - ix. LOUIS ALFRED, b. ca. 1883; m. RUTH WOLFSKILL, dau. of Joseph W. and Elena (Pedrorena) Wolfskill (q.v.); res. Las Flores, Oceanside. No children. [SBB5]

4. JANE⁴ “JENNIE” P. MAGEE (*Henry C.³, Hugh², Henry¹*), “Miss” at age 41 in Las Flores, born circa 1863, and died 2 March 1920. She married _____ MEYER.

Three children, surname *Meyer*:

- i. BEATRICE⁵
- ii. WM. F., b. ca. 1877
- iii. LUIS ALFRED, b. ca. 1882

5. **VICTOR MIGUEL⁴ MAGEE** (*Henry C.³, Hugh², Henry¹*), born at San Jacinto, 13 Sept. 1866, and died at San Diego, 5 Dec. 1926. He married at San Diego, 30 Sept. 1899, ORA A. TOMLINS, daughter of Matthew and Mary C. (Bowen) Tomlins. For five years, they ranched at Condor's Nest, on the north end of Smith Mt., then at Las Flores on the O'Neil Ranch. In 1889, they located in the San Luis Rey valley until 1894 when they removed to Fallbrook. They were living at Oceanside in 1961. He was a Mason. They had three children, Donald Victor, H. Lorriaine "Lary", and Capt. Victor Tomlins.

6. **MARIA ANTONIA⁴ MAGEE** (*Henry C.³, Hugh², Henry¹*) was born at El Cajon Rancho in 1869 and died at San Jacinto, 6 Apr. 1950 (aged 81 years) and is buried there.. She married at San Jacinto, 20 Jan. 1891, PERCY A. JOHNSON. He was born at Bangor, Maine, 19 May, 1867, son of C. F. A. and Sarah (Jewett) Johnson. He was a Mason, she a Catholic. Maria resided in Los Angeles in 1938. The Magee-Johnson Ranch was near Fallbrook.

Children, surname *Johnson*:

- i. YNEZ⁵, ca. 1894, m. DON GRANT; res. at San Francisco in 1950 and Redwood City in 1953.
- ii. MARIA ANTONIA, ca. 1896, m. HARRY POOLE (or Polle); res. Los Angeles, 1941; Carlsbad, 1951; San Jacinto, 1957.
- iii. JOSEPHINE, ca. 1902, m. PAUL RUSSELL; res. Riverside, 1950.
- vi. ALYCE G., m. 1) _____ WALKER; 2) FRANK MURPHY. Had two children—Louise and Alice—by her first husband.
- v? SIDNEY

7. **MARIA ANNA⁴ MAGEE** (*Henry C.³, Hugh², Henry¹*) was born circa 1872 (she was 15 in 1886). She married ROBERT ELLIOTT. They resided in Keen Camp in 1927. Elliott lived at 1615 Mt. V. Ave., Pasadena, Cal. in 1951 with wife "Anita L."

Child, surname *Elliott*:

- i. (adopted?) LOUISE⁵, m. HENRY MILLS; res. Pasadena.

8. **BEATRICE⁴ MAGEE** (*Henry C.³, Hugh², Henry¹*) was born at San Diego, 23 Sept. 1881 and died there 6 Dec. 1942. She married at San Luis Rey, 21 June 1905, CHARLES CLIFFORD MAY, born at San Diego in 1882 and died there 16 July 1959, son of Charles E. and Orizaba May of San Francisco. Beatrice and Charles are both buried in Holy Cross Cemetery. [WWW,SDU9,SDT]

Children, surname *May*:

- i. MARILYN E.⁵
- ii. CLIFFORD MAGEE, b. 29 Aug. 1908, m. Jean Lichty [LAB,WWC]
- iii. HENRY C.; Ensign 1942; President of the May Outdoor Advertising Company of Los Angeles. He resided in Pasadena.

The Altamirano Branch

1. **JOSE MARIA¹ ALTAMIRANO**, married ANNA MARIA RUIZ. Their son...

2. **TOMAS² ALTAMIRANO** (*Jose M.¹*), married at San Antonio, Lower California, 1 Jan. 1822, DOLORES CARRILLO, daughter of Joaquin Carrillo and Nicolasa Ramirez (and sister of Joaquin Carrillo and Pedro Carrillo, the owner of the Coronado Peninsula). She is said to have been a widow of a Higuera.

Tomas was a commission merchant and shipper, who loaded vessels at La Paz for Mazatlan, San Blas, and other points. He was an influential and prominent man and had a large, prosperous business. [GUIA]

Four children, surname *Altamirano*:

- i. BLAS JOSE³, b. La Paz, L.C., 3 Feb. 1825.
 - ii. MARIA VICENTA, b. San Antonio, L.C., 18 Feb. 1825.
 - iii. MARIA DE LA PIEDAD, b. San Antonio, L.C., 25 May 1829.
3. iv. JOSE ANTONIO, b. La Paz, 31 May 1835.

v. [see note[‡]]

3. **JOSE ANTONIO³ ALTAMIRANO** (*Tomas², Jose M.¹*), born in La Paz, Lower California 31 May 1835 and died 16 or 18 Oct. 1903. [CALL] He married, 12 Nov. 1863, YSABEL DE PEDRORENA, born at San Diego 29 July 1846 and died there 13 Dec. 1893, daughter of Miquel and Maria Antonia (Estudillo) Pedrorena. [PR]

Jose came to California in May of 1849, mining and dealing in mining supplies in the gold rush region from the Merced to the Klamath rivers. He bought a large number of mules in Lower California and sold them for a great profit in San Diego. He began stock raising in 1859 on his ranch at San Jacinto, and later move them to Valle de las Palmas Rancho near Tijuana, which the family still owned in 1958. He also owned several lots in Old Town and La Playa, San Diego.

Eleven children^{**}, surname *Altamirano*:

- i. MIGUEL⁴, b. ca. 1866 (aged 28 in 1894), d. San Diego after 1907. Unmarried.
4. ii. DOLORES P., b. ca. 1868 (26 in 1894) San Diego.
- iii. JOSE ANTONIO, Jr., b. ca. 1871 San Jacinto, m. MARIA ANNA _____, b. France. San Diego City Councilman; represented Carnegie Steel Co. in Mexico City 1907. He was very wealthy and traveled a lot, including at trip to Paris, France in 1907. He res. Los Angeles after retirement. He visited San Diego, 14 Dec. 1930 after thirty years away. No children.
- iv. MARIA ANTOINETTE, b. 6 May 1872, d. 10 Aug. 1892 in San Diego Co. Accidental death. [CALL]
- v. YSABEL A., “Belle”, b. ca. 1873; d. San Diego; m. 20 June 1895, E. WM. ACKERMAN (or Akerman)^{††}, who came from England to San Diego during the economic “boom” of Old Town San Diego. No children.

[‡] George Dorman’s original notes include a fifth person, Antonia Cesarea, b. 25 Feb. 1861 by Victoriana (Guerrero), dau. of Cayetano and Rosalia (Orozco).

^{**} According to the Illustrated History of Southern California (1890), there were twelve children, although later on it mentions that there were seven daughters and four sons.

^{††} John Sutherland Akerman, son of John Thomas and Ellen (Stephen) Akerman, b. 16 May 1860 in London. The father was a merchant. In 1888, John came with his brother to the new world and made his way to San Diego. See Black (1913).

- vi. ROBERT A., b. 2 May 1875 (based on age at death), died of pneumonia 24 Mar. 1895, aged 19 years, 10 months, 22 days.
- vii. GERTRUDE, "Tula", "Tulita", b. ca. 1879; d. 3 Nov. 1955, m. WM. W. HURLBUT, son of Walter Scott and Arabella (Whitehead) Hurlbut. She resided in San Diego through 1923.
- viii. ELEANOR, "Elana", "Elena". b. ca. 1881; d. San Diego; m. CHARLES JEWETT, an employee of the Salt Lake Railroad (which became the Union Pacific). No children.
- ix. JOSE ALFRED, "Joseph". b. ca. 1883; d. San Francisco, Jan. 1957, no children.
- x. MARIA, "Mary", b. ca. 1885; m. 3 Aug. 1910 LIVINGSTON BARCLAY, from New Jersey. They resided at 462 N. Ardmore, Los Angeles in 1958.
Child: *Joseph Barclay*, chief accountant Dept of Public Works, Los Angeles in 1958.
- xi. VICTORIA, b. ca. 1888; married RICHARDSON SHEPHERD. They resided in San Diego from 1907-1915. Child, *John Shepherd*.

4. **DOLORES P.⁴ ALTAMIRANO** (*Jose A.³, Tomas², Jose M.¹*) was born circa 1868 and died 15 March, 1918 at Bakersfield, California. She married 1) at San Diego 25 Aug. 1888 HARRY J. NEALE, born in England about 1868; died at Mexico City, Mexico 6 Oct. 1902. [PR] She married 2) at San Diego 7 June 1906 ROBERT BURNS of Sacramento. She married 3) FRANK ALEXANDER WOLFSKILL, born 18 Sept. 1877, son of Louis and Louisa Anna (Dalton) Wolfskill. After her death, Frank Wolfskill married (filed 3 Sept. 1920) 17-year-old Edith Zeila Owens, daughter of Ernest E. Owens.

Four children^{††}, surname *Neale*:

- i. HARRY J., Jr., b. Feb. 1891, San Diego Co.; resided in Los Angeles in 1911; d. San Francisco, before 1938. Never married.
- ii. "Lolita" DOLORES, b. ca. 1893. living in Los Angeles in 1911. She m. 1) SAM DECORSE, but the marriage was annulled because she was too young; 2) JAMES G. BROMLEY; they lived at Grants Pass, Oregon in 1958. Two children.
- iii. GEORGE J., b. ca. 1900, res. Los Angeles 1911, Washington 1958. One child, *Mary Jean*.

^{††} Dolores and Frank A. Wolfskill adopted a grandson of Dolores, Lewis (Louis) H. Neale, born Los Angeles 1910 (or 1901?). They moved to Oregon in 1925/6. He married three times, first to Katherine Stevenson of Eugene, Oregon; second to _____; third, in Italy to an Italian woman; he was said to have been living in Mont. {Monterey or Montana? - ed.} in 1960. He served in the army (in Honduras?). Child by first wife: *Roger*, m. Sherry _____; son Victor Ray; child by third (?) wife, *George*.

- iv. ROBERT W., res. Los Angeles in 1911, Portland, Oregon in 1958 and died there. One child, *Patricia*.

The Wolfskill Branch

1. **WILLIAM W.¹ WOLFSKILL** married MAGDALENA LUGO. Their son...
2. **JOSEPH WILLIAM² WOLFSKILL** (*William W.¹*), (“Jose Julian”) was born at Los Angeles 14 Sept. 1844 (1843 -gs.) and died there 4 Feb. 1928. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery. He married at San Francisco, 20 Sept 1869, ELENA PEDRORENA (q.v.) He was an orchardist. [*G1, GB8*]

Twelve children^{***}, surname *Wolfskill*:

- i. FRANCISCA MARGARITA³, b. 3 July 1870, bp. 13 Aug. “in peril of death,” but lived until 1894.
- ii. FREDERICO WILLIAM “William Frederick” Wolfskill, b. 29 Aug. 1871 at Los Angeles; d. 3 Apr. 1940 at Los Angeles. Married.
- iii. JOSE IGNATIO “Joseph Ignatius” Wolfskill, b. 26 Nov. 1872, Los Angeles; d. aged 38 days.
- iv. INOCENCIA “Innocent Marie”, b. 28 Dec. 1873; bp. 1 Feb. 1874, d. in 1909, buried in Calvary Cemetery.
3. v. ELENA STANISLAUS, b. 1875
4. vi. JOSEPH W., Jr., b. ca. 1877-78.
- vii. DAVID G., b. ca. 1879, m. LEONA A. BARCLAY, b. New York circa 1883. She was a sister of Livingston Barclay—see Altamirano branch. [*CR6*]
- viii. JOHN CHRISTIAN, b. 20 Jan. 1883, Los Angeles; m. at Santa Clara, 3 July 1917, LUCRETIA MARGARET PHELPS, da. of Milo Dudley and Anna Marie (Mitchell) Phelps, b. 27 Mar. 1893, in San Jose, Cal. They lived in Los Angeles in 1968. [*CR6, CR7, SBB3*]
- ix. GRACE G., b. 1884, d. 1941, bur. Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles; m. at Redondo Beach, 2 Apr. 1907, ROBERT W. COOPER (1881-1942).
- x. LOUIS F., m. LORETTA _____, res. Los Angeles.
9. xi. MARTIN A., b. 1889, d. 1955; m. _____ BURKE, da. of John M. and Victoria Dolores (Juarez) Burke. Res. Los Angeles.

*** Also buried in Calvary Cem. are Christian Reid Wolfskill (1891-92) and Mary Ward Wolfskill (1890-42) whose relationship to this family has not been determined.

xii. RUTH M., m. LOUIS ALFRED MAGEE (q.v.) res. Oceanside, Cal.

3. **ELENA STANISLAUS³ WOLFSKILL** (*Joseph W.², William W.¹*) was born in 1875 and died in 1925. She married WM. H. HURLBUT (son of Walter Scott and Arabella (Whitehead) Hurlbut), Chief Engineer and Assistant General Manager of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

Children, surname *Hurlbut*:

- i. ARABELLA WHITEHEAD⁴, m. Sterling S. Green of the Engineering Department, Water and Power, Los Angeles.
- ii. MARIA ELENA, m. JOHN WELCH, Aero Engineer, RocketDyne, North America.

4. **JOSEPH W.³ WOLFSKILL, Jr.** (*Joseph W.², William W.¹*), was born circa 1877-78 and died June 23, 1944. He married _____. [SBB8]

Child, surname *Wolfskill*:

- i. MARY EMANUEL⁴, m. GEORGE LEWIS SWARTZ s. of Francis Charles Swartz. Res. Los Angeles.

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San Francisco District

Alfred J. Ellis

Edward Gilbert

William M. Gwin

Joseph Hobson

Francis J. Lippitt

Myron Norton

Rodman M. Price

William M. Steuart



A. J. Ellis

The Family of Alfred James Ellis

1. MOSES¹ ELLIS was born in Massachusetts ca. 1781 and married Margaret _____, born ca. 1796 in New York. Moses was a cabinet maker at Vernon, N.Y. [*PL,CEN50*]

Children, surnamed *Ellis*:

2. i. ALFRED JAMES², b. Sept. 1816 in Oneida County, New York.
 - ii. ROSETTA, d. 30 June 1848 in Wisconsin. She m. SILAS DUNCAN.
 - iii. ELIZABETH, b. ca. 1825.
3. iv. MOSES C., b. 22 May 1829 in Oneida County, New York
 - v. THOMAS
 - vi. JOSEPH, b. ca. 1834.
 - vii. CORSINA or ACCORA, b. ca. 1836.
 - viii. LEROY, b. ca. 1840.
 - ix. MARY

2. **ALFRED JAMES ELLIS** (*Moses*¹), signer of the California Constitution, is said to have been born in September of 1816 in Oneida Co., N.Y. He died at San Francisco, California, 27 July 1883.

Very little is known of his life before coming to California. He became a merchant seaman as a young man, shipping first from New Bedford, Mass. When he gave up the sea, he settled in New Zealand and later in the Hawaiian Islands, where he married.

He came with his wife and son to San Francisco, Cal. in April of 1847 and occupied a home on Powell St. between O'Farrell and Ellis. On 21 Feb. 1849 he was elected to the district legislature. He was one of the founding members of the California Guard in July of that year, and was Sheriff during the suppression of the "Hounds," a lawless organization whose prominence had peaked the year before. He was elected to the first San Francisco Town Council in the election of August 1, 1849 and

William M. Eddy, the City Surveyor, named Ellis Street in his honor. He helped organize the Friends of Pioneers, as well as the first Vigilance Committee. The height of his political career was his election to the State Assembly on 3 Sept. 1851. He was again a successful Whig candidate for Sheriff in 1855.

In 1868 he was living at 729 Green Street. In 1873 he resided back at 115 Powell St., but in 1874 he had moved to 302 Montgomery St. He engaged in mercantile business on and off for several years and ran a saloon and boarding house at the base of Telegraph Hill. Although wealthy when he came to San Francisco, he had lost his fortune by the time of his death. [MC, SWA]

Although Alfred Ellis was residing in San Francisco from the late 1840's until his death, he has not been found on the 1852 or 1860 censuses or in the 1880 Soundex. The evidence that he had three children came from a passenger log from a ship bound for Panama via Monterey which contained a passenger Alfred J. Ellis and three children, unnamed. [DJC]

Children, surname *Ellis*:

- i. THOMAS², b. in Hawaii Territory, ca. 13 Sept. 1845, d. at San Francisco, 13 Mar. 1856 [SU].
- ii. MARY, b. ca. 1847.
- iii. _____, b. ca. 1849.

3. **MOSES C.² ELLIS**, (*Moses*¹) was born 22 May 1829 in Oneida County, New York and died 27 Dec. 1904 in Santa Clara Co., Cal.

He came to California in 1852 and opened a furniture store in San Francisco. The proceeds from this business venture enabled him to join Samuel Brannan in a cattle operation in Sutter county. He went on to become one of the largest flour exporters in the state from his farm in Marysville and finally retired to a large fruit ranch in Sunnyvale. He was married twice and left seven sons and three daughters. [OBIT]

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GAM Gene A. de Ment
HWK Mrs. H. W. Komatz, descendant of Alfred J. Ellis
SFB *S. F. Bulletin*
PL Mrs. Pearl D. Larmoyeaux, descendant of Rosetta Duncan.
DAR *DAR Index*
DAM *Donahue Album of Members*, Soc. of California Pioneers, v. 1 p. 10
DJC *Daily Journal of Commerce*, 1 March 1850, v. 1 No. 97, S.F.
MC *S. F. Morning Call*, 30 July 1883, 3:8
SU *Sacramento Union*, 17 March 1856, 2:5
SWA Swasey (1891) p. 272
OBIT copy of an obituary sent to Colton Hall, newspaper unknown



Edwin Luther

The Family of Edward Gilbert

EDWARD GILBERT, signer of the California Constitution, was born circa 1819 in Cherry Valley, Otsego Co., N.Y. (or in Troy, N.Y. or in Boston) and died 2 Aug. 1852. He was killed in a duel with Hon. James W. Denver, at Oak Grove, 8 miles from Sacramento, California. His closest friends did not know his exact age or background. It was generally believed that his parents had died while he was very young.

Gilbert was apprenticed to a local newspaper in Cherry Valley, where he acquired the trade of a printer. About 1840, he became connected with the Albany *Argus*, first as a compositor, then as foreman, and finally as one of its associate editors.

Upon the outbreak of the Mexican War in 1846, he raised a volunteer company and later joined Col. Stevenson's N.Y. regiment as a 1st Lieutenant. Late in 1847, he was fortunate enough to be selected to serve as deputy to the collector of the Port of San Francisco. Most of the work fell on his shoulders and he distinguished himself in performance. In 1848 when the war ended and his regiment was disbanded, it was necessary for General Mason to appoint a civilian to the position of Collector until United States law went into effect. Mason offered the newly-discharged Gilbert the civilian position but Gilbert declined. [AC, ASF]

He founded and became editor-in-chief of the *Alta Californian* in San Francisco, which first appeared on 4 Jan. 1849. This, the first daily newspaper in San Francisco, was created out of the merger of *California Star* and the *Californian*. [NCAB, AC]

He was elected almost unanimously to the Constitutional Convention. There he was a frequent participant in the debates. No one spoke more forcefully and eloquently against the proposal to exclude African Americans from the state than Edward Gilbert.

You have prohibited slavery, and thereby acted in accordance with the dictates of the whole civilized world... Are we to say that a free negro or Indian, or any other freeman, shall not enter the boundaries of California? I trust not, sir. Under the

former action of this House; under the feelings and principles that have been maintained upon this floor, it would be unjust. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, unless for the punishment of crime, shall ever be tolerated in this State; and yet you say a free negro shall not enter its boundaries. Is it because he is a criminal? No, sir—it is simply because he is black. Well might it be said in the words of the revolutionary writer: “You would be free, yet you know not how to be just.”

Yet his argument did not come from a sense of enlightened humanity but rather from a very practical concern:

The people will consider our acts in this Convention, and if they ratify them, those acts will go before the Congress of the United States; and not only there, but before the great public of the United States, and before all the nations of the world. Does any gentleman here believe, sir, that there is a man who has ever contended upon the floor of Congress for free soil and free speech, and for the universal liberty of mankind, who will sanction a Constitution that bears upon its face this darkest stigma?... I tell you, gentlemen, you jeopardize the interests of California far more by inserting this in your Constitution than by any other measure you can introduce. [JRB]

After the Convention Gilbert was elected as one of the first two Congressmen from the State. The California delegation set sail from San Francisco on 1 Jan. 1850, arriving at New York City before word of their election had reached the East Coast by land. He served from 11 Sept. 1850 to 3 March 1851, returning to San Francisco the following June.

In the performance of his newspaper work, Gilbert spent more time in Sacramento than in his home city. In June of 1852, he watched the state-funded emigrant relief train leave the city to assist straggling wagon trains over the mountains before the onslaught of winter. In his subsequent newspaper article covering the story, Gilbert praised the aims of the expedition, but saw fit to add:

Governor Bigler was silly enough to make himself ridiculous by riding on horseback at the head of the procession, and it only needed the addition of an air-splitting brass band to have made people believe it a parade of newly-arrived ground and lofty tumblers, or a traveling caravan of wild animals. [*Alta Californian*, June 26, 1852]

The *Alta Californian* had often chided the pretentious Bigler but Gilbert had gone too far. Eleven supporters of Bigler responded with a letter in the Sacramento-based *Democratic State Journal* that expressed their indignation, calling Gilbert “an enemy of the smallest possible calibre” and “an envious and malicious heart.” One of the signers was James W. Denver, then Secretary of State. Two days later came Gilbert’s unrepentant response:

Their “indignation!” Pshaw! What is their “indignation” when compared with the universal sentiment of pity and pain which filled the heart of the community when they learned that the high and dignified position of Governor of the State of California had been lost sight of by a huckstering politician who was dragging down his office to subserve his personal ends! [*Alta Californian*, July 24, 1852]

This time Denver responded alone. “If the editor of the *Alta* thinks himself aggrieved by anything I may have said or done, it is for *him* to find me and when so found he may rest assured that he can have any ‘issue upon the matter’ he may desire.” [*DSJ 29 July 1852*]

The previous articles in the *Alta* had been unsigned. But the next day Gilbert sent a personal letter to Denver. After quoting the insults from Denver’s two previous letters in the *Journal*, it concluded:

As I am the author of both the articles published in the *Alta California*, which have been alluded to by you as above quoted, I find it my duty to demand from you a withdrawal of the offensive and unjust charges and insinuations which you have made. I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully,

Your Obed’t Serv’t.

E. Gilbert

Denver’s reply a day later was succinct, that “not one word of the cards you allude to can be withdrawn by me until the articles calling them forth are withdrawn by you.”

On Tuesday morning, August 2nd, the combatants met at Oak Grove, about eight miles outside of Sacramento. The duel was fought with rifles and Senator Gilbert was killed almost instantly on the second fire.

His body was brought to Sacramento and the following day brought to the wharf in a procession of prominent citizens, the Sacramento Guard and the Sutter Light Infantry. The boat carrying Gilbert’s remains arrived in San Francisco that evening and the coffin was placed at the house of a Mr. Connor on Jackson where it was attended by a detail of the California Guard. On the day of his funeral, all businesses were closed and a large throng moved down the street behind the hearse to the nearby church on Jackson Street. Among the pallbearers were two associates from the convention, Jacob R. Snyder and Thomas O. Larkin. The California Guard, led by Captain Francis J. Lippitt, escorted.

Gilbert's death was overshadowed by the news of the death of the great statesman Henry Clay. The *Alta Californian* – its columns lined in black in honor of Clay – included a single paragraph regarding its editor:

Death of Mr. Edward Gilbert

It becomes our sad and painful duty to announce the untimely death of our beloved associate, Mr. Edward Gilbert, the senior editor of this paper. His death occurred at the Oak Cottage, near Sacramento City, yesterday morning. The deep gloom cast by this unfortunate and lamentable affair forbids further reference.

But the details were known well enough. The following Sunday, Reverend Wheeler of the Sacramento Baptist Church excoriated the practice of dueling in a sermon based on Ecclesiastes 9:12 “As the fishes are taken in an evil net, and the birds are caught in a snare, so the sons of men are snared in an evil time.” The duel set a standard in the state for this type of event that stood until the Broderick-Terry duel, the last in the state.

The victor in the duel, General James Denver, went on to become the Governor of Kansas. The city of Denver, Colorado is named after him. [NCAB, AC]

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Mr. M. Gwin.

The Family of William McKendree Gwin

1. **SAMUEL^A GWIN**, b. 1751, had seven sons, including...
2. Rev. **JAMES A.¹ GWIN** (*Samuel^A*) was born in Wales, 16 Jan. 1769 and died near Vicksburg, Miss., 3 Aug. 1841. He married either MATILDA (JOHNSON) SAMPSON or MARY A. ADAIR.

He came to the U.S. shortly after the Revolutionary War and settled in Charleston, S.C. * Shortly after, he went on to the hill country on the western border of the state.

In 1790 Gwin joined a wagon train and settled in the fertile lands in northeast Tennessee. He was an itinerant Methodist preacher, an expert marksman and an Indian fighter in Kentucky and Tennessee. He was chaplain to the Tennessee Volunteers and went to New Orleans, where, under Gen. Andrew Jackson, he was put in command of 1400 sharpshooters in the second line of defense. He held the rank and title of Colonel but preferred to be known as a clergyman. In later years, he moved to Mississippi.

Children, surname *Gwin*:

- i. Col. **SAMUEL W.²** m. 1) **NANCY** _____, b. ca. 1803, d. 24 Oct. 1832 at Clinton, Hinds Co., Miss.; 2) **EDITH LILLY**, of Clinton. He was a prominent businessman of Mississippi. [NI]

Children, surname *Gwin*, both by second wife: 1. *Thomas Wilkinson*, b. ca. 1835; d. 25 Aug. 1836, Clinton, Miss. 2. *Samuella*, b. 29 July, 1837; d. 9 Dec. 1862; m. Maj. John Cringan Maynard, who was b. Richmond, Va., 26 July 1837. They had four children. He remarried in 1863.

- ii. **ASA**
- iii. **MARGARET**, b. 1800, m. 1818, Col. **ALEXANDER DE LA PLAUNCHE**, a veteran of the War of 1812.

* Cisco says he came to Tennessee from North Carolina.

iv. THOMAS

3. v. WM. MCKENDREE, b. 9 Oct. 1805.

vi. CATHERINE

vii. ELIZABETH

3. **WILLIAM MCKENDREE² GWIN**, (*James¹*) signer of the California Constitution, was born near Gallatin, Sumner Co., Tenn. on 9 Oct. 1805[†], and died at New York City, 3 Sept. 1885. He was buried at either Lone Mountain or Laurel Hill Cemetery in San Francisco. With the destruction of the cemeteries in 1903 the remains were removed to Mt. View in Oakland. He married, 1) CAROLINE SAMPSON who died in 1834; 2), MARY ELIZABETH (BELL) LOGAN, widow of Gen. William Logan on 23 Mar. 1837 near St. Francisville, La. [JM] She was born 4 July 1815, died on 26 June 1901 and was buried at the Mt. View Cemetery. [CALL]

Gwin was named after William McKendree, a Methodist missionary who was a personal friend of his father. He studied under Professor Thruston of Kentucky and graduated from Transylvania College Medical Dept. with honors in March of 1828, submitting his master's thesis on syphilis. He practiced as a physician near Nashville, Tenn. before he was 21 years old. He read law and was admitted to the bar. He resided at Natchez, Miss. for a while. He practiced medicine in Vicksburg and Clinton, Miss. for six years.

He stopped his medical practice permanently in 1833, when President Jackson appointed him U.S. Marshall for the District of Mississippi. He held this position throughout the presidency of Martin Van Buren, amassing a fortune through land speculation, and resigned the post on the election of the Whig candidate William H. Harrison to the White House.

Following the death of his first wife and family in the 1833 epidemic, Gwin went to Texas and while there met Gen. William Logan and his wife, Mary. Mary Bell had wed the general at the age of 15. General Logan died in 1835 and William Gwin returned to Texas to renew his

[†] Alternate dates from some sources: Sept. 4, 9 or 10; some sources give Fountain Head as the birthplace.

acquaintance with the young widow. They were married on 23 Mar. 1837 near St. Francisville, La.

He was elected to the 27th Congress and lived a lavish existence with the money he had made in real estate – only to have to withdraw because of financial difficulties. He continued to practice law and in 1847 was appointed commissioner to supervise the erection of the U.S. Customs House in New Orleans. He resigned upon the election of President Taylor – another Whig – in 1848.

He emigrated to California in 1849 with the sole purpose of becoming the first U. S. Senator from that state. Travelling to Monterey for the Convention, he managed to alienate the other members from his district with his domineering nature. He presented to the Convention copies of the constitutions of Ohio and Iowa and a draft of a proposed constitution with blanks for filling in. He was ridiculed on the floor by plain-speaking Jacob Snyder and the Convention pointedly elected Semple as President instead of him. Humbled, he changed his demeanor and by the close of the Convention he won the affection and respect of the other delegates. They elected him as the second of the first two Senators from the new state, after John C. Fremont. He had achieved his goal and served two six year terms. He introduced the Senate bill that created the Pony Express. [EOC]

Crosby states that during the time of the Convention, “It was pretty well understood by those who knew that Gwin had...promised the southerners that if they would admit the state he would further the plan of colonizing the southern portion of California with Southern people, and quietly without attracting attention get a majority in the Legislature of California to pass a bill dividing the state, making the southern part of it slave.” He did gain control of Federal appointments to California and when David C. Broderick, a northerner, was elected to succeed Fremont, Gwin managed to lock the new Senator out of influence. When David S. Terry, a Gwin sympathizer, shot Broderick in a duel at San Francisco in 1859, it was regarded by many as an assassination. [EOC]

On leaving the Senate in 1861, he served as an intermediary between Secretary Seward and the Confederate Congress. In 1863 he was in Mexico where he participated in a two-year intrigue aimed at colonizing Mexico City from the United States, but nothing ever came of it. [LT4]

He was an avid sympathizer of the Confederate cause and did much on their behalf while in Europe. [SOU]

Children by first wife, surname *Gwin*:

- i. SAMUEL³, b. ca. 1831; d. Dec. 1836, age 6. [JM]
- ii. _____, a son, b. 1834, d. inf.

Children by second wife:

- iii. LUCY, b. 2 Apr. 1838; d. 22 Apr. 1902, bur. Mt. View Cem., Oakland; m. EVAN J. COLEMAN, a Virginian, at Paris, France. He is said to have been a graduate of Harvard Law School (but is not listed in the 1910 directory) and was President of the Pacific Transfer Co. and the Gas Consumers Association. They had two children. [SFC]
- iv. MARY BELLE, b. ca. 1841, d. of malaria at Washington D.C., 10 Aug. 1852. [SU]
- 4. v. WILLIAM M., Jr., b. at Vicksburg, Miss., 24 Feb. 1843.
- vi. CAROLINE K., "*Carrie*", b. 13 Apr. 1847; d. 24 Mar. 1909, bur. Mt. View Cem. , Oakland.

4. **WILLIAM M.³ GWIN**, Jr., (*William², James¹*) was born at Vicksburg, Miss., 24 Feb. 1843; died at San Francisco, 21 June 1939, aged 96 years.. He married on 28 Nov. 1871 **BLANCHE M. MAYNARD** (daughter of George Fletcher Maynard and Sarah Parker) who was born 12 July 1854 and died 9 Sept. 1934. She is buried at Mt. View Cemetery.

He came to California in 1850 but returned a few years later to attend the University of Virginia. He was a cadet at West Point at the outbreak of the Civil War and served a year with the Mississippi Cavalry Regiment in the C.S.A. After the close of the War, he returned to California and served on the State Shipping Commission and was State Senator from 1869-77. For twenty years he was in charge of the Gwin mine in Calaveras County. [GB, GD]

Children, surname *Gwin*:

- i. WILLIAM MCKENDREE⁵ III, b. 19 Jan. 1879; living in Paris in 1939.
- ii. RALPH, b. 8 March 1882; d. 17 July 1899, bur. at Mt. View Cemetery.
- 5. iii. MARY BELL, b. at San Francisco, 27 July 1877.

- iv. STANFORD M., b. 1887; d. at San Francisco, 18 June 1945; m. Camilla Lyon. They had no children. [CR]

5. **MARY BELL⁴ GWIN[‡]** (*William³, William², James¹*) was born at San Francisco, 27 July 1877. She married 1) JAMES HENRY FOLLIS, son of Frederick, born at San Francisco in 1869; 2) 14 March 1917, KENNETH RALEIGH KINGSBURY, son of Francis Homer and Mary Isabella (Wilson) Kingsbury. Kenneth Kingsbury was a Princeton graduate of 1898 who rose to become president of the Standard Oil Co. of California. He was born at Columbus, Ohio, 22 Jan. 1876 and died 22 Nov. 1937 aboard the SS Santa Paula near Colon, Panama. He was buried in the Gwin Vault at Mt. View Cemetery. [WIL, NCAB, LAT]

Child, surname *Follis*:

6. i. RALPH GWIN⁶, b. San Francisco, 1 Feb. 1902; m. at Phoenix, Arizona, 1 June 1929, OPAL ANN YOUNG, dau. of Claude and Nina (Pearl) Young. He was President and Chairman of the Board of Standard Oil; executive and chairman of the Blyth-Zellerbach Committee. Two children.

Additional Notes:

JAMES M. GWIN, U.S. Marshall, b. about 1805 in Carroll Co., Tenn. In 1828 he moved to Natchez, Miss., then to Holmes Co. in 1836. He is a known cousin of William M. Gwin. He married SUSAN V. DAVIS in Wilkinson Co., Miss. and died there in 1887.

Child, surname *Gwin*:

- i. JOHN E., b. 1844, Holmes Co., Miss.

The Follis line:

RICHARD H. FOLLIS shows up in the 1880 Census as Mine President in San Francisco, 47 years old, born in Ireland; his wife, "N.B." was 49 and from New York. His sister Mary Emma^{**} was briefly married to James G. Flood, the multi-millionaire. Richard Follis died 6 Jan. 1900 in

[‡] George Dorman wrote to Mary B. (Gwin) Kingsbury regarding several unanswered questions in the family history. He received no reply.

^{**} Mary Emma, born 17 Aug 1827, died on 27 Jan. 1847, not yet 20 years old. She left two children, James Jr. and Jennie.

San Francisco at age 73. There were eight children: Maggie F., William H., Frederick F., James H. (above), Richard, Lillie F. and George C. [WWW, TAY]

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There is no picture of Joseph Hobson available.

Joseph Hobson

The Family of Joseph Hobson

1. Capt. **GEORGE¹ HOBSON**, probably a sea captain, was born 24 Jan. 1778 and died 5 Dec. 1830. He married **HEPZA GARDNER**, daughter of Peleg and Hepsabeth (Allen) Gardner. Hepza was born 15 Aug. 1779 and died 9 July 1820 at Baltimore, Maryland.

Children, surname *Hobson*,

2. i. **GEORGE GARDNER²**, b. New York City, 22 Jan. 1803.
 - ii. **HEPZA**, b. New York City, ca. 1807, d. 14 Jan. 1836; married **ALFRED MORTON** at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Baltimore.
3. iii. **JOSEPH**, b. ca. 1810.
4. iv. **ELIZABETH**, b. 9 July 1812.
 - v. **WILLIAM L.**, m. **AMANDA C.** _____. He had been to Honolulu, and came to San Francisco in 1847 from Valparaiso, Chile with letters of introduction from Atherton. Records show he delivered 287 casks of bread to the U. S. Navy storehouse at Monterey in 1847. He was a member of the San Francisco Guard in 1849. A Mr. Hobson, age 28, merchant, is listed in the 1852 California census of San Francisco, as a resident of New York.
 - vi. **JAMES A.**, b. New York City.

2. **GEORGE GARDNER² HOBSON**, (*Capt. George¹*) was born in New York City, 22 Jan. 1803. He married at Baltimore, 24 Mar. 1825, **SARAH MAGRUDER LOWRY**, daughter of John Lowry. She was born in September of 1804.

Children, surname *Hobson*,

5. i. **ELLEN LYLES³**, b. at Baltimore, Feb. 1826.
 - ii. **HEPZA GARDNER**, b. at Baltimore, 11 Dec. 1828; m. **REED WERDON** who became an Admiral in the Navy. No children.
 - iii. **GEORGINA**, b. at Valparaiso, Chile, Oct. 1832; m. 22 Feb. 1854, **WILLIAM A. FOSTER**. He died less than two months after the marriage. No children.
 - iv. **SARAH**, b. at Valparaiso, Mar. 1835.

6. v. GEORGE GARDNER, JR., b. at Valparaiso, Sept. 1839.
7. vi. JOHN LOWRY, b. at Valparaiso, Apr. 1842.
- vii. CHARLOTTE ELIZABETH, b. at Valparaiso, Jan. 1847; m. _____ FERGUSON and resided in Great Britain, possibly at Leamington, England.

3. **JOSEPH² HOBSON**, (*Capt. George¹*) signer of the California Constitution, was born at Baltimore, Maryland, circa 11 Nov. 1810, and died in New York City circa 1881. He was married in New York City, 4 Dec. 1850, to ELIZABETH CHRISTOPHERS KIMBALL, daughter of Elijah Huntington and Sarah (Wetmore) Kimball. She was born 22 Nov. 1831 and died at Bar Harbor, Maine, 11 June 1912. They are both buried in Greenwood Cemetery in New York City. They had no children.

Joseph Hobson arrived at San Francisco on the *Lady Adams* on 7 January 1848, via Callao, Peru. The firm of Cross, Hobson & Co. was founded in S. F. later that month. The "Cross" was Albert Cross, a Scot merchant who lived in Valparaiso, Chile. It is not absolutely clear whether the Hobson so named was Joseph, or one of his brothers.

Joseph was a commission merchant for Cross, Hobson & Co. The firm bought a mill on the north side of Clay St. between Montgomery and Kearny, which they used as store, dwelling and office building. In July of 1849 he was a member of the 1st California Guard and on 1 August, was elected to represent San Francisco at the Constitutional Convention.

He did not stay around to see the effects of his work at the convention. One year of the gold rush was enough for Joseph, and he returned to New York in 1850. The firm of Cross, Hobson & Co. became Cross & Co. in May of that year as well.

Joseph and William Hobson are both listed among the founders of the Trinity Episcopal Church in San Francisco on 22 July 1849. No likeness of Joseph Hobson is known to exist.

4. **ELIZABETH² HOBSON**, (*Capt. George¹*) was born 9 July 1812 and died in 1866. She married, 30 March 1831, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN VOSS, who was born 10 March 1800 in Culpeper County, Virginia, and died 14 Sept. 1885 in Baltimore.

Children, surname *Voss*,

- i. GEORGE³, b. 19 Feb. 1832, bur. 30 Dec. 1866, aged 34 years.
- ii. ROBERT BROOKE, b. 7 Jan. 1834, bur. 13 Dec. 1837, aged 4 years.
- iii. HEPZA NORTON, b. 29 Dec. 1835, bur. 6 July 1853, aged 15 years.
- iv. SUSAN GORDON, b. 17 Dec. 1837.
- v. ELIZABETH, b. 2 Sept. 1839, bur. 2 May 1844, aged 4 years.
- vi. FRANKLIN, b. 29 June 1841.
- vii. JESSE SOMERVILLE, b. 7 Sept. 1843.
- 8.viii. WILLIAM, b. 4 Nov. 1845.
- ix. EDWARD, b. 28 June 1848, bur. 16 March 1877, aged 28 years.
- x. JOSEPH, b. 11 Sept. 1850, d. 11 Dec. 1890.
- xi. ELIZABETH, m. _____ ELDER and had daughter *Elizabeth Hobson Elder*, b. ca. 1861 and d. 1956.

5. **ELLEN LYLES³ HOBSON**, (*George², Capt. George¹*), was born at Baltimore, Maryland, Feb. 1826. She married at Valparaiso, Chile on 13 March 1851, WILLIAM NORRIS.

Children, surname *Norris*,

- i. RICHARD⁴, married MARY GORDON NORRIS, a cousin.
- ii. SUSAN FITZHUGH, never married.
- iii. SARITA MAGRUDER, never married.
- 9. iv. JEFFERSON DAVIS
- v. WILLIAM CATESBY, never married.

6. **GEORGE GARDNER³ HOBSON, JR.**, (*George², Capt. George¹*), was born at Valparaiso, Sept. 1839, and was baptized at Baltimore, 9 Dec. 1842. He married at Baltimore, 17 Nov. 1868, FLORENCE PRATT, who was born 1844, and died at Baltimore, 31 Mar. 1908.

Children, surname *Hobson*,

- i. GEORGINA⁴, m. _____ RUMMELL?, a Canadian.

ii. FLORENCE PRATT, res. Leamington, England; d. unmarried, 6 Sept. 1949; bur. Baltimore.

iii. HEPZA

7. **JOHN LOWRY³ HOBSON**, (*George², Capt. George¹*), was born at Valparaiso, Chile, Apr. 1842. He died young, when his daughter was still a baby.

Child, surname *Hobson*,

i. MARY GARDNER⁴, "May", m. 1) ALEXANDER BROWN of Philadelphia; 2) GEORGE FERGUSON of Tuscon, Arizona. She had three sons.

8. **WILLIAM³ VOSS**, (*Elizabeth HOBSON², Capt. George¹*), was born 4 Nov. 1845 and married CAROLINE KANE NEILSON. He resided with George Hobson until his marriage. He spoke Spanish and was Spanish correspondent for George Hobson's business in South America. After his marriage, he resided in Long Island, N.Y.

Children, surname *Voss*,

i. FRANKLIN BROOKE⁴, painter and sportsman, b. 1882, d. 31 Jan. 1953.

ii. EDWARD, res. Monkton, Md.; had a son, EDWARD, JR.

iii. STUART FITZHUGH

iv. JESSIE, m. H. L. Dangerfield Lewis; res. Monkton, Md.

9. **JEFFERSON DAVIS⁴ NORRIS**, (*Ellen HOBSON³, George², Capt. George¹*) graduated from the University of Virginia and resided in Baltimore. He married MARTHA CABELL PERKINS of Charlottesville, Va.

Children, surname *Norris*,

i. JOSEPHINE

ii. DUDLEY

iii. PAGE

iv. COTTON

v. MARTHA JEFFERS

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Frances J. Lippitt

The Family of Francis James Lippitt

1. **JOHN¹ LIPPITT**, had a lot in Providence, R.I. in 1638. After 1647 he settled at Warwick, R.I. and appears in a roll of freemen there in 1655.

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. NATHANIEL², d. young?
- ii. JOHN, married ANN GREEN or GRAVE.
- 2. iii. MOSES
- iv. JOSEPH, d. young?
- v. REBECCA, m. 1) JOSEPH HOWARD, 2) FRANCES BUDLONG.

2. **MOSES² LIPPITT**, (*John¹*), died 6 Jan. 1703. He married 19 Nov. 1668, MARY KNOWLES, daughter of Henry Knowles.

He was a deputy for Warwick, R.I. at the general assembly at Newport in 1681, 1684, 1690 and 1698.

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. MARY³, m. JOHN BURLINGAME.
- ii. MARTHA, m. JAMES BURLINGAME, brother of John.
- iii. REBECCA, m. JOHN LIPPITT (son of John²).
- 3. iv. MOSES, b. ca. 1683.

3. **MOSES³ LIPPITT**, (*Moses², John¹*) was born circa 1683 and died 12 Dec. 1745. He married, 20 Nov. 1707, ANN PHILLIS WHIPPLE, daughter of Joseph and Alice Whipple of Providence. [HEC]

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. MOSES⁴, b. 17 Jan. 1709; m. WAITE RHODES.
- 4. ii. JEREMIAH, b. 27 Jan. 1711.
- iii. CHRISTOPHER, b. 29 Nov. 1712; m. CATHERINE HOLDEN.

- 5. iv. JOSEPH, b. 4 Sept. 1715; m. LUCY BOWEN.
- v. ANN PHILLIS, b. 29 Aug. 1717; m. ABRAHAM FRANCIS.
- vi. FREELove, b. 31 Mar. 1720; m. SAMUEL CHASE.
- vii. MARY, b. 2 Dec. 1723; m. _____ WESTRAND (or WEST or WESTON). No children.
- viii. JOHN, b. 24 Dec. 1731; m. BETHIAH RICE. No children.

4. **JEREMIAH⁴ LIPPITT**, (*Moses³, Moses², John¹*) was born 27 Jan. 1711 and died in 1776. He married 12 Sept. 1734, WELTHYAN GREENE, daughter of Richard and Mary (Carder) Greene. He was made a freeman of the colony in 1733. He served as town clerk of Warwick for 33 years; deputy to general assembly for four years and assistant for five years.

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. ANNE⁵, b. 15 Nov. 1735; m. 1) Col. CHRISTOPHER GREENE, 2) JOHN LOW.
 - ii. WELTHYAN, b. 1737, d. 1739.
 - iii. JEREMIAH, b. 1739, d. 28 July 1766 at sea.
 - iv. THOMAS, b. 1742, d. 4 Feb. 1764 in British Guiana.
 - v. ELIZABETH, b. 20 Nov. 1744, d. 1 July 1808, unmarried.
 - vi. WELTHYAN, b. 15 Mar. 1746; m. WILLIAM GREENE.
 - vii. WILLIAM, b. 9 Mar. 1748; m. PATIENCE EAST.
 - viii. JOHN, b. 15 May 1750, a sea captain, d. in April of 1797, buried on the coast of Africa; m. ANN WARNER.
6. ix. MOSES, b. 16 Dec. 1752.

5. **JOSEPH⁴ LIPPITT**, (*Moses³, Moses², John¹*) was born 4 Sept. 1715 and died 17 May 1783. He married 19 Feb. 1746, LUCY BOWEN, daughter of Capt. Thomas Bowen of Rehoboth. She died 20 May 1795 aged 72 years.

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. ANN FRANCIS⁵, b. 30 Mar. 1748; m. EDWARD RUSSELL.
- ii. LUCY, b. 4 Dec. 1749, d. 16 Apr. 1787.
- iii. Capt. JOSEPH, b. 27 Sept. 1751, d. 20 Sept. 1776.
- iv. SARAH, b. 5 Aug. 1753, d. 13 June 1786.

- v. MARY, b. 24 Mar. 1756, d. 1 Oct. 1778.
- vi. THOMAS, b. 15 May 1758; m. 1) ELIZABETH CHASE, 2) WAITE ARNOLD.
- 6. vii. ELIZA, b. 26 Sept. 1760; m. MOSES LIPPITT.

6. **MOSES⁵ LIPPITT**, (*Jeremiah⁴, Moses³, Moses², John¹*) was born 16 Dec. 1752 and died 11 April 1833. He married on 7 Nov. 1785, his cousin, ELIZA LIPPITT, daughter of Joseph Lippitt and a bitter Tory. She was born 26 Sept. 1760 and died in 1830.

Moses was a merchant in Providence in the East India trade.

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. WARREN⁶, m. ELIZABETH SEAMAN.
- ii. Col. MOSES, b. at Cranston, R.I.
- 7. iii. JOSEPH FRANCIS
- iv. EDWARD RUSSELL, b. at Providence, 23 Apr. 1798; m. MARY F. ALEXANDER.
- v. JEREMIAH, b. at Providence, 11 Oct. 1790; d. at Wilmington, N.C., Sept. 1846.
- vi. a sister who never married

7. **JOSEPH F.⁶ LIPPITT**, (*Moses⁵, Jeremiah⁴, Moses³, Moses², John¹*) died at New York City, 25 Sept. 1857. He married Caroline S. Monro who died of tuberculosis in April of 1815.

Joseph moved to Fayetteville, N.C. to establish a mercantile house, leaving his only child behind to be raised by his sister and parents. [RL]

Child, surname *Lippitt*,

- 8. i. FRANCIS JAMES⁷, b. 19 July 1812.

8. Col. **FRANCIS JAMES⁷ LIPPITT**, (*Joseph F.⁶, Moses⁵, Jeremiah⁴, Moses³, Moses², John¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Providence, R.I., 19 July 1812 and died at Washington, D.C. on 26 Sept. 1902. He married 1) December 1852, ELIZABETH O. CLARKSON, of Durham, England. She was born circa 27 Jan. 1836 and died at Martinsville, N.J. on 10 Aug. 1859 of Panama fever at her mother's home [SDU]. He married 2) at Roxbury, Mass., 25 Sept. 1865,

ELIZABETH (WEBB) DODGE, widow of Pickering Dodge and daughter of a South Carolina clergyman. She died early in 1903.

At the age of 15, Lippitt entered Brown University, but a year later his father lost his fortune in a bad business deal and Francis had to pay his own way through school from that point on. He had learned Spanish from a private tutor, French in college, and knew Latin well enough to teach the subject at Framingham Academy while completing his senior year at Brown.

Lippitt began his career as a tutor in Culpeper and Fairfax Counties, Va., and took a teaching position on the U.S. Frigate *Constellation*. The captain and officers had no interest in having the crew attend school at sea, so Lippitt requested a discharge which was granted when the ship was near Spain. He hiked across Spain and into France, and while in Paris stopped in to visit an old family friend, the Marquis de Lafayette. Staying for a while in Paris, he tutored English to make an income, assisted Alexis de Tocqueville in preparing *Democracy in America* and at 21 was inducted into the Masonic Order. In 1835, the year after Lafayette's death, Lippitt returned to America.

He settled in New York and studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1838. To augment his income, he translated one of Auber's operas from French to English. He joined the Washington Greys, a regiment of the state militia, and in 1842 as an officer in that regiment, participated in the suppression of the Dorr Rebellion in Rhode Island. In the years 1844-46, he was teaching again at the Commercial Academy at Elizabethtown, N.Y.

Unable to get a commission in Scott's army in Mexico, Lippitt signed on as a captain in Co. F of Stevenson's Regiment, arriving in San Francisco on the *Thomas H. Perkins* on 6 Mar. 1847. His company was among those ordered to Santa Barbara two weeks later. While landing at their destination, he fractured a bone in his leg when the boat he was in capsized in the waves. After Companies A and B were dispatched to Los Angeles, Lippitt reported directly to headquarters, through Lt. William T. Sherman, the assistant adjutant-general. He also became acquainted with Carlos Carrillo and with the de la Guerra family, to whom he bore a letter of introduction from Mrs. Alfred Robinson – Ana Maria de la Guerra – whom he had met in New York.

After being mustered out of service in October of 1848, Lippitt settled in San Francisco where he had the good fortune to be the first qualified lawyer and quickly built up a successful legal practice.

At the Constitutional Convention, he made an enemy of **Gwin** and although Lippitt was to have been the candidate for lieutenant governor, Gwin arranged to have his name removed from the ballot and **McDougal**'s inserted instead. Lippitt returned to his law practice, and by 1852, he had built up a fortune large enough to permit retirement.

He married and took his wife back to Providence. In 1854 they went to Europe and after eight months in Brussels, Lippitt received word that his agent in San Francisco had embezzled most of his estate. He returned to San Francisco, reopened his law practice, and started again from scratch.

With the outbreak of the Civil War, he returned to the military, commanding the 2nd infantry California Volunteers in the Humboldt District, and rose to the rank of brevet brigadier general.

With the end of the war, he took up legal practice again in Providence, R.I., 1865-69 and in Boston, 1869-73. He was also a lecturer at the Boston University Law School. He then moved to Washington, D.C. and practiced law there until he received an appointment as assistant council at the U.S. Department of Justice in 1877, a position he held until 1882. In later years he was an occasional lecturer at the Naval War College in Newport, R.I.

He was the author of *Treatise on the Tactical Use of the Three Arms* (1865), *Treatise on Intrenchments* (1866); *Special Operations of War* (1868), and *Field Service in War* (1869). He also devoted his later years to writing *The California Boundary Question in 1849* (1890) and *Reminiscences of Francis J. Lippitt: written for his family, his near relatives and intimate friends* (1902).

His will, probated in Washington, D.C., shows that he was a man with a love of music as well as a spiritual interest. He left his entire Spiritualist Library to the National Spiritualist Association. His collection of music was divided among three friends. He was the author of at least two musical works, *Young Soldier's Practice March* and the *Evelyn March*, a piece for four hands.

Children, surname *Lippitt*,

- i. FRANK⁸, b. at Providence, R.I., Jan. 1854; d. later that year in Brussels, Belgium, of sun stroke.
- ii. CAROLINE M., b. June 1857; d. at Martinsville, N.J., 1875, of tuberculosis.

Elizabeth had two children by her first husband, surnamed *Dodge*.

- i. PICKERING, an employee of the War Dept., d. 6 July 1922 at Washington, D.C. leaving a widow, Harriet Elizabeth and a daughter Elizabeth Pickering.
- ii. REBECCA G., m. Commander CHARLES W. RAE, U. S. Navy.

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Myron Horton

The Family of Myron Norton

1. **THOMAS¹ NORTON** is called “of Guilford” but was from Ockley, in Surrey near Guilford, England. He was born in 1582 and died in 1648. He married GRACE WELLS in 1625.

On 1 June 1629, twenty-five residents of the Guilford area signed a covenant under the pastor of Ockley, Rev. Henry Whitefield. This group emigrated to America in 1639, arriving in Boston and sailing from thence to New Haven.

2. **THOMAS² NORTON** “of Saybrook” (*Thomas¹*) was born 1626, removed to Saybrook, Conn. before 22 Nov. 1661; and died there 28 Nov. 1712. He married 5 May 1671 Elizabeth Marson, daughter of Nicholas Marson. She died at Saybrook, 31 Jan. 1699.

3. **SAMUEL³ NORTON** (*Thomas², Thomas¹*) born at Saybrook Conn., 6 Nov. 1681 and died 13 July 1767 aged 86 years. He married, 13 March 1713, DINAH (BIRDSEY) BEACH, the widow of Benjamin Beach and daughter of Deacon John Birdsey.

4. **DAVID⁴ NORTON** of Goshen Conn. (*Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*), was born at Durham, Conn., Feb. 1726 and died at Goshen 2 Nov. 1752 at age 44. He married 29 Jan. 1752 ANNA BROWNSON (BRONSON) who was born June 1726 and died 7 Dec. 1816 aged 90 years. She was from Southbury, Conn.

5. Capt. **JOHN⁵ NORTON**, Rev. War Veteran (*David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born at Goshen, Conn., 29 Nov. 1758 and died 25 Aug. 1828, Bennington, Vt. He married 6 March 1782, LUCRETIA BUEL, the daughter of Jonathan and Lydia (London) Buel. She was born 3 June 1763 and died 15 Aug. 1882 at Bennington, Vt.

Harwood's diary in the Bennington Museum shows Capt. John Norton was in battle at White Plains, N.Y. and at Harlem Heights, L.I. He was also one of the guards at the execution of Major Andre.

Nine children, surname *Norton*:

- i. LUMAN⁶, b. 9 Feb. 1785, Williamstown, Mass.; d. 1859, Bennington, Vt. He m. Lydia Loomis, b. 1786, d. May, 1877. He was a county judge and town representative.
- 6. ii. JOHN, Jr., b. Bennington, Vt.; 25 Feb. 1787.
- iii. CLARISSA, b. 10 June 1789, m. SAMUEL CANFIELD of Arlington, Vt.
- iv. LUCRETIA, b. 1 Jan. 1791, m. BUCKLEY SQUIRES of Bennington, Vt.
- v. LAURA A., b. 13 Dec. 1793, m. CYRUS HILLS of Arlington, Vt.
- vi. JONATHAN BUEL, b. 26 May 1797, m. HARRIET PECK at Bennington, Vt.
- vii. ELIZA, b. 5 Mar. 1800, d. at Bennington, Vt.; m. FRANKLIN BLACKMER.
- viii. LYDIA, b. 29 May 1802, m. HENRY SAFFORD.
- ix. NORMAN J., b. 7 June 1806, m. DORCAS ESTY.

6. **JOHN⁶ NORTON, Jr.** (*John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born at Bennington, Vt.; 25 Feb. 1787 and died 27 Nov. 1850 at age 63. He married 16 Feb. 1814 PERCES SMITH, daughter of Ephraim and _____ (Pomeroy) Smith. She was born at Bennington, 10 Sep. 1791 and died 29 July 1876, aged 70 (sic) years. Her father and grandfather John Smith were both at the Battle of Bennington and both signed the Bennington Declaration kept by the Historical Society of Montpelier.

Six children, surname *Norton*:

- 7. i. EDWARD⁷, b. Bennington, 23 Aug. 1815.
- ii. MARIA, b. 1818, d. 1864; m. STEPHEN BRECKENRIDGE (he b. 1816, d. 1857).
- 8. iii. CLARISSA, b. 20 Oct. 1820.
- 9. iv. MYRON, b. Bennington, 22 Sep. 1822.
- 10. v. HENRY S., b. Bennington, 8 Dec. 1827.
- 11. vi. FRANKLIN BLACKMER, b. 23 May 1830.

7. **EDWARD⁷ NORTON** (*John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 23 Aug. 1815, Bennington, and died there 3 Aug. 1885. He married 1) HELENA LINCOLN (sister of Charles Lincoln), who was born 29 Apr. 1833 and died Nov. 1856. He married 2) 14 Jan. 1862 Sarah Edson, daughter of Cyrus and Sibyl (Wilcox) Edson of Minot, Me. and Mendon, Vt.

He became part owner of a pottery works from 1861-65. Vestryman and Treasurer of St. Peters Protestant Episcopal Church and member of the Mt. Anthony Masonic Lodge.

Five children, surname *Norton*:

- i. FLORENCE⁸, b. 29 July 1857, d. 14 Sep. 1857.
- ii. MARY P., b. 23 May 1859, d. 17 Sep. 1942; m. 17 June 1903 ROBERT KNIGHT of Brooklyn, N.Y. No children.
- 12. iii. EMMA S., b. 12 Oct. 1862, d. 5 Nov. 1937; Graduate of Mt. Holyoke College. She m. 14 Nov. 1894, CLARK H. EMMONS of Minneapolis, b. 22 Oct. 1849, d. 1929.
- iv. HELENA LOUISE, b. 19 Sep. 1866; res. 308 Pleasant St., Bennington Vt. in 1958. She attended Wellesley for one year.
- v. EDWARD LINCOLN, b. 20 Mar. 1865; d. 13 Dec. 1894. He was successor to the pottery works on the death of his father.

8. **CLARISSA⁷ NORTON** (*John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 20 Oct. 1820 and died 4 May 1888. She married JOSEPH C. NORTON (no relation), a Bennington merchant who was born 1818 and died 1885.

Children, surname *Norton*:

- i. FRANK EDWARD, b. 19 Sept. 1855, d. 6 May 1931; m. JANE DRAKE of Troy, N.Y., b. 11 July 1860, d. 3 Dec. 1841. One child, *Gertrude Norton*, b. 12 Oct. 1891, Troy, N.Y.
 - ii. LIZZIE, b. 29 July 1857.
9. **MYRON⁷ NORTON** (*John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) signer of the California Constitution, was born at Bennington, Vt., 22 Sept. 1822 and died at Los Angeles unmarried 16 Apr. 1886 at age 63.

He was a graduate of Harvard University and on the day after graduation, joined the army. He was sent to Mexico, served in Scott's line and was present at the fall of Mexico City.

Following his discharge, he arrived back in New York in time to obtain an appointment to fill a vacancy in Stevenson's Regiment. He became a Lieutenant with Co. C, but his command had already set sail

for California. He followed on the *Huntress* and arrived in October of 1848. [BAN, LAPL]

Following the end of the Mexican War, he settled for a while in San Francisco where in 1849 he served as a defense attorney in the trial of the Hounds, a violent gang that was brought to justice by the vigilantes. That year also, he represented San Francisco at the California Convention. He was described by fellow conventioneer Elisha O. Crosby as “one the hardest workers in the body.” He was the chairman of the committee to prepare a draft of the constitution. [EOC]

In early 1850, the California Guard was founded and Norton is recorded as the presiding officer at the ball sponsored by the Guard in celebration of Washington’s birthday. [ASF]

By 1851, he was moving south. Late that year, California natives at the Warren ranch rebelled in response to the efforts of the new state to tax them. Some white settlers were killed and the militia was called out to track down the leader, Antonio Garra. In this service, Major Myron Norton, Acting Assistant Adjutant General, distinguished himself so highly that Major General J. H. Bean made special mention of him in his report to Governor McDougal. Garra was captured on 8 Jan. 1852 and brought to trial with Bean and Norton sitting among the jurists. He was found guilty and sentenced at 3 P.M. on 10 January and shot to death ninety minutes later. [GU]

Norton liked the area and opened his law office in Los Angeles. On 16 Mar. 1853, with Norton acting as secretary, a group of Masons met in his office and drew up papers founding the Los Angeles Lodge 42. Permission to form the Lodge was granted on 10 Oct. 1853 and the Lodge was finally installed 24 June 1854 complete with a six-hundred-man march in full regalia, the first seen in Los Angeles. Other members of Lodge 42 included Abel Stearns, Louis Vignes and Jean L. Sainsevain. [ANLA]

In 1855, Norton was nominated by the Know Nothings for the position of Supreme Court justice, short term, but lost by less than half a percentage point. A month later, upon the resignation of another judge, he was nominated again by the Democrats for the long-term position, and this time won the job. [HURT]

10. **HENRY S.⁷ NORTON** (*John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born at Bennington, 8 Dec. 1927 and died there 13 Jan. 1893. He married in 1859 at Bennington, LYDIA SLOCUM who was born 4 Dec. 1831 and died Aug. 1882. He was a farmer in 1885.

Three children, surname *Norton*:

- i. ADA, b. 22 Apr. 1860, d. 16 Sep. 1928; unmarried.
- ii. CLARA, d. Los Angeles, unmarried.
- iii. HELEN LOUISE, b. 22 Apr. 1860, d. 10 May 1936; m. CHARLES LUCIUS ALLEN, b. 1858, d. 1940; General Manager, President and Chairman of the Board of the Norton Abrasive Co. of Worcester, Mass. One child, *Mary Norton Allen*, who lived at 6 Academy St., Worcester 9, Mass. in 1958.

11. **FRANKLIN BLACKMER⁷ NORTON** (*John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born at Bennington, 23 May 1830 and died at Worcester, Mass., 3 Jan. 1886. He married JANE FENTON (daughter of Senator Richard Fenton?) who was born 19 Aug. 1829 and died 12 Dec. 1907.

He established a new pottery works in Worcester and began manufacturing abrasives there later. He was ill and felt he was too old to embark upon a new business project, so he sold the abrasives part to a group headed by Charles L. Allen [see above, #10] and a Mr. Jepson. After his death, the pottery business lasted only a few years; however, the abrasives business grew large.

Six or seven children, surname *Norton*:

- i. ALIDA⁸, m. JOHN RICE; no children.
- ii. MYRON JOHN, unmarried.
- 13. iii. FLORA, b. 11 Oct. 1862.
- iv. ARTHUR, left Worcester.
- v. FRED, d. young.
- vi. GEORGE, d. young.
- vii?. "JOHN". This may be the same as Myron John Norton.

12. **EMMA S.⁸ NORTON** (*Edward⁷, John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 12 Oct. 1862 and died 5 Nov. 1937. She

married 14 Nov. 1894, Clark H. Emmons of Minneapolis. He was born 22 Oct. 1849 and died in 1929. Emma was a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College.

Two children, surname *Emmons*:

14. i. EDWARD⁹, b. Minneapolis, Minn., 28 Aug. 1895; m. 12 Dec. 1923, HELEN WHITE. Edward was a graduate of the Connecticut Academy of Agriculture. They had two children, surname *Emmons*: *Helen Louise* and *Harriet Norton*.
- ii. WINCHESTER, b. 14 May 1900; drowned at Minneapolis, 25 July 1923.

13. **FLORA⁸ NORTON** (*Franklin⁷, John⁶, John⁵, David⁴, Samuel³, Thomas², Thomas¹*) was born 11 Oct. 1862 and died 15 Jan. 1941. She married at Worcester, Mass., 5 Oct. 1885, FREDERICK A. KEYES.

Six children, surname *Keyes*:

- i. EDWARD NORTON⁹, b. 23 July 1887; m. 9 Oct. 1915, ANNA LEE WILLIAMS; res. 74 Woodland Rd., Short Hills, N.J.
- ii. STUART HOBBS, b. 10 Sep. 1889; m. 16 May 1914, MARION O. TAYLOR; res. at Fairview, Vt.
- iii. ROBERT FREDERICK, b. 4 Mar. 1893; m. 4 Mar. 1939, HELEN DODGE; res. 15 Harwich, Worcester.
- iv. PHILIP BRADFORD, b. 11 May 1897; m. 8 Oct. 1920, WINIFRED GRANT; res. 31 Fairfax St., Ottawa, Can.
- v. MARION, b. 4 Apr. 1895, m. 7 June 1924, CLARENCE A. BETTMAN; res. 59 W. 12th St., New York City.
- vi. MARGARET, b. 16 Nov. 1901, d. Paris, France, 23 Apr. 1957. She was secretary for THOMAS S. LAMONT of J.P. Morgan & Co. in New York City.

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Rodman M. Price

The Family of Rodman Price

1. **ROBERT¹ PRICE**, was born probably in Wales circa 1645-50. He married at Northampton, Mass., in 1677 SARAH (WEBB) FIELD (daughter of John Webb and Ann Bassett and the widow of Zachariah Field, Jr. *). She was born, probably at Hartford, Conn., about 1648. She died of exhaustion on 29 Feb. 1704 while on the way to Quebec the night following the massacre at Deerfield. He died in 1715 and they are both buried in the Deerfield Cemetery. [DC]

Robert Price, a shipbuilder, first appears in Northampton, Mass. in a list of soldiers under the command of Capt. William Turner, 7 Apr. 1676. On 19 May 1676, he was in the Turner's Falls fight. [SAV, BOD]

Children:

- i. a child², stillborn, 1677.
- ii. SARAH, b. at Northampton, 12 Sept. 1678.
- iii. MARY, b. at Northampton, 21 Mar. 1678 (sic); m. SAMUEL SMEAD, 17 Mar. 1698/9; d. 28 Feb. 1704, with her children in the Deerfield massacre, smothered in the cellar of her house while the village burned. [HOL]
- iv. ELIZABETH, b. at Northampton, 12 Aug. 1683; m. 1) 6 Dec. 1703 ANDREW STEPHENS who was killed in the massacre. In Quebec, she converted to Catholicism and m. 2) 3 Feb. 1706, _____ FOURNEAU. [JKJ, HOL]
- v. JOHN, b. at Northampton, 19 May 1689.
- vi. SAMUEL, b. 1694.

2. **SAMUEL² PRICE**, (*Robert¹*) was born at Deerfield, Mass., 1694. He married, first, at Glastonbury, Conn., DOROTHY FOX, daughter of Richard Fox, Sr. of that town. She died 18 Feb. 1727/8. He married, second, at Hebron, Conn., 22 May, SARAH PERRIN, born 1707, daughter of Thomas Perrin. [BC] About 1740 they moved with several of their children to Sussex Co., New Jersey. Sarah died there, 30 June 1761 and Samuel died

* There were three sons by this prior marriage: Zachariah, John and Ebenezer. Marshall and Cyrus W. Field are descended from the children of Zachariah and Sarah Webb Field.

in 1768. They are buried in the Frankfort Plains Cemetery. He preserved the names of his Field half-brothers through his own children.

Samuel survived the French and Indian massacre at Deerfield in 1704 and was taken as a prisoner to Quebec. There, the French tried to convert him to Catholicism and gave him the name "Louis Price." He was redeemed or escaped by 1714. He later received land for his father's share in the Turner's Falls fight. [MEG, BC, MAN, SHE, JKJ]

Children by first wife, surname *Price*:

- i. SAMUEL³, b. Hartford, Conn., 19 June 1715; m. 1) LUCY BLINN, 2) ESTHER FOX, and 3) _____ WHEELER.
- ii. JOHN B., b. Glastonbury, Conn., 24 Oct. 1716; d. at sea 31 Mar. 1737. m. RACHEL _____. Rachel d. 1737 also. John's will is at Glastonbury. They had a son, *Eleazur*.
- iii. DOROTHY, b. Glastonbury, 31 May 1718, d. before 2 May 1745. She m. JABEZ COULT.
- iv. ZACHARIAH, b. Glastonbury, 3 Oct. 1719, d. 31 May 1744 (at sea?); will at Glastonbury.
- v. SARAH, b. Glastonbury, 25 Sept. 1722; d. before 27 Oct. 1748; m. WM. HOLLISTER.
- vi. EBENEZER, b. Glastonbury, 20 Apr. 1726, d. Wethersfield, Conn. 17 Apr. 1791; m. 1) SARAH ENSIGN, who d. 1748; m. 2) ANNA _____.

Children by second wife:

- vii. ROBERT, b. Glastonbury, 10 Feb. 1731; d. Newton, N.J., 29 Aug. 1779; m. ABIGAIL _____.
- viii. ELIZABETH, b. Glastonbury, 18 Mar. 1733; m. (DEVOOR?). He was still living 4 Feb. 1745.
- ix. MARY, b. Glastonbury, 17 Aug. 1736 and living 4 Feb. 1745.
- x. JOHN, b. Glastonbury, 16 June 1739; m. ESTHER SMITH; d. by 1768. They had a son, *Hezekiah*. [PR]
- xi. FRANCIS, b. Newton, N.J., 13 Sept. 1741; m. 1) ESTHER DUNN, 2) ANNA _____; d. 8 Apr. 1804.
3. xii. ZACHARIAH, b. 22 Sept. 1744.
- xiii. SARAH, b. Newton, 27 Oct. 1748.
- xiv. JERUSHA, b. Newton, 25 May 1751; m. ISAAC DEWITT.

3. **ZACHARIAH³ PRICE**, (*Samuel², Robert¹*), was born 22 Sept. 1744[†] and died at Frankfort in August of 1806. He married MARY DE PEW (born in N.J., 20 Oct. 1754, died Frankfort, August 1816). [*MEG, JKJ, NJA*]

Zachariah was a farmer and a soldier in the revolution.

Children, surname *Price*:

- i. SAMUEL⁴, b. 1 July 1773; d. 25 July 1803.
- ii. HENRY, b. 20 Mar. 1775; d. 18 July 1831.
- iii. SARAH, b. 15 Feb. 1877; died 13 Sept. 1822.
- iv. MARY, b. 21 Dec. 1779.
- v. ZACHARIAH, b. 1 Jan. 1781; d. Dec. 1806.
- vi. ELIZABETH, b. 26 July 1783.
- vii. JERUSHA, b. 26 July 1785.
- 4.viii. FRANCIS, b. at Papakating, N.J., 18 Aug. 1787.
- ix. RACHEL, b. 26 Aug. 1789.
- x. JOHANNA, b. 10 Sept. 1791.
- xi. JOHN, b. 10 Feb. 1794.
- xii. ROBERT, b. 7 Oct. 1796; d. 1 July 1798.

4. **FRANCIS⁴ PRICE**, (*Zachariah³, Samuel², Robert¹*), was born at Papakating, New Jersey, 18 August, 1787 and died in the city of New York, 2 June 1864. He married first, on 20 Oct. 1807, JANE (OR ANN) MCCAMLEY (daughter of David McCamley) of Sussex Co., N.J., who died 10 April 1833, and second, on 18 Mar. 1840, MARIA LOUISA (HART) SUCKLEY, widow of Dr. Suckley, and daughter of John and Sarah Hart of New York City. He had nine children by his first wife, including... [*DAB*]

5. **RODMAN⁵ MCCAMLEY PRICE**, (*Francis⁴, Zachariah³, Samuel², Robert¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in Sussex Co.,

[†] Birthdate is from a Bible record. According to Lee (1910), the year 1743 is recorded on his tombstone.

N.J. (or Orange Co., N.Y.) 5 May 1816 [BNJ] or 5 Nov. 1818[‡] [FSP] and died at Oakland, N.J., 7 June 1894. He married MATILDA DECATUR TRENCHARD, daughter of Naval Captain Edward and Eliza (Sands) Trenchard born at Brooklyn, N.Y., a descendant of George Trenchard who came to America with William Penn. No children have been identified. [DAB]

Rodman Price studied law at the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University), but was forced to leave due to health problems. With the combined political and naval influence of the two families, he obtained an appointment as naval purser in 1840. He served first on the *Fulton* and then was assigned to the new U.S.S. *Missouri*, which was sent on an exhibition to Europe. One of the first steamships to cross the Atlantic, the *Missouri* was burned at Gibraltar in 1841.

Price then spent some months touring Europe with Captain John T. Newton. He was received by Queen Victoria and Wellington, learned Spanish, and helped Washington Irving to copy the Columbus records in the Spanish archives.

Early in 1846 he was ordered to the *Cyane* in Sloat's Pacific Squadron apparently on secret instructions from Polk and Secretary of State Bancroft. He was rowed to the flagship at midnight on July 6 and convinced the reluctant commander to occupy the port of Monterey before George Seymour's British squadron did it first. The following morning, Price read the proclamation of annexation from the Monterey Customs House.

Commodore Sloat appointed Price co-*alcalde* of Monterey with the Surgeon Edward Gilchrist, replacing Manuel Diaz and Joaquin Escamilla, who had held the office since the beginning of the year. Price was said to have been the first American to exercise judicial authority in California. But by the end of the month, **Walter Colton** had been appointed to replace them both. Price returned to Washington, D.C. to report back to Polk on the state of affairs in California.

While Price was there, news reached Washington about the gold discoveries in the Sierra and he was sent back with expanded fiscal

[‡] The 1818 date is said to be from Price himself. Price's age was given as 47 at the convention.

authorities to facilitate the transmission of funds and to prevent the export of gold to the British. He arrived as a passenger on the *California*, the first steamship to “round the Horn and reach California in that year.”

While working as a naval agent, Price made heavy profits on the side in real estate, furnished money for San Francisco’s first wharf, sat on its first municipal council, and was a member of the California Constitutional Convention. Upon being relieved of his fiscal duties in December of 1849, he settled his accounts and advanced \$75,000 to his successor for government use. Unsuccessful in his bid for a congressional seat from California, he returned to the east. While travelling on the Alabama River on the way to Washington, the steamer was burned and all the receipts and vouchers from his Naval operations were lost. This would come back to haunt him later.

Returning to New Jersey, Price succeeded in being elected to the House of Representatives, serving from 1851 to 1853. Defeated for reelection, he became Governor of that state in 1854 as a reform candidate on the Democratic ticket. His reforms were primarily directed at the inefficient state court system and the establishment of a state system of public education. Ineligible for reelection in 1858, he retired to private life. After serving as one of nine delegates to a “peace conference” in 1861, he startled the state by publicly declaring that slavery was no evil and encouraging New Jersey to side with the South.

The last years of his life were marred by litigation over the missing naval papers that resulted in scandal and finally his imprisonment, shortly before his death.

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BC	White (1994)
MAN	Manwaring (1904)
PR	Hezekiah Smith will, dated 7 Jan. 1782, unrecorded
SMI	Smith (1954)
NJA	New Jersey Archives
SNE	Snell (1971)
FSP	Society of First Steamship Pioneers (1874)
BNJ	Nelson (??)
JS	Schwartz (1982)

There is no picture of William M. Steuart available.

Wm M Steuart

The Family of William M. Steuart

1. **WILLIAM¹ STEWART** was born about 1779 and died probably 19 Oct. 1867. He married ELIZABETH ROSS (?) and/or MARGARET _____. Probably of George's Town, D.C., 26 Aug. 1804 when he sold real estate from the estate of David Ross, dec., to Abraham Crum (Frederick Co. Deeds, bk WR26, p. 96). He was appointed trustee of the estate by the chancery court 28 Jan. 1802.

Children (probably incomplete), surname *Stewart*,

2. i. **WILLIAM M.²**

ii. HELEN L., unmarried in 1872.

2. **WILLIAM M.² STEUART**, (*William¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in Prince George's Parish, Montgomery Co., Md., 27 Oct. 1800, and died in 1872. He married LAURA L. _____. His name is often spelled Stewart.

[He was] Secretary to Commodore Thomas. Ap Catesby Jones, Commander in Chief of the U.S. Naval Forces on the Pacific Station during the late War with Mexico [on the battleship Ohio]; ...appointed secretary at Washington City, on or about the first day of September A.D. 1847, and continued in actual service in said war for the term of 14 days, and after the expiration of said war, was honorably discharged at San Francisco on the first day of March, A.D. 1849. [BLW]

He served on the city council and as justice of the peace. At the California Convention, he served as acting chairman in Robert Semple's absence. He was a losing candidate for Governor of California in 1849. [ELD]

To him belongs the credit for writing the address to the people of the State of California, asking them to ratify the Constitution. It was printed and distributed with the Constitution.

According to John A. Sutter, Jr., sometime in 1848 or 1849 Steuart became an agent of the Russians. Zollinger declares that after Steuart

received his payment (13 Apr. 1849) he promptly vanished. In fact, he is known to have been active in California politics through November of that year and was still in California into 1856. [*EOC, BAN*]

He resided at Georgetown, D.C. on 1 Oct. 1856 and was in Washington, D.C. on 28 Feb. 1857 to receive bounty land that he sold on receipt. He died between 8 Nov. and 21 Dec. 1872, leaving land in Allegany, Montgomery, and Prince George Co's, MD. [*BLW, PROB*]

Steuart St. in San Francisco is named after him. There is no information concerning children.

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San Joaquin District

John M. Hollingsworth

James McHall Jones

Benjamin S. Lippincott

Benjamin F. Moore

Thomas L. Vermeule

Oliver M. Wozencraft



J.H.H. Hollingsworth

The Family of

John M. Hollingsworth

1. **VALENTINE¹ HOLLINGSWORTH**, born at Belleniskcannel, Parish of Legoe, County Armagh, Ireland “about the sixth month in the yeare 1632” according to the records of the Society of Friends in County Armagh, Ireland; he settled and died in the area now known as Newark, Delaware, in 1711. He was the son of Henry and Catherine (Cornish) Hollingsworth who are believed to have come to Armagh from Cheshire, England where there are many of this surname. Valentine married 1) 7 Apr. 1655, ANN REE, daughter of Nicholas Ree of Tanderagee, County Armagh. She was born circa 1628 and died 1 Feb. 1671. He married 2) 12 June 1672, ANN CALVERT, daughter of Thomas and Jane Calvert of Dromgora. She died 17 Aug. 1697.

With his second wife, a relative of Lord Baltimore, he immigrated to Maryland in 1682 arriving with or shortly after William Penn. He settled on a grant of 986 acres in Brandywine Hundred, New Castle Co., Penn., which later became a part of Delaware. He was immediately active in local politics. He served in the Assembly several years, as Justice of the Peace, as a member of the Provincial Council, and was a signatory to Penn’s Great Charter.

Children, surname *Hollingsworth*, by first wife,

- i. MARY², b. at Belleniskcannel, Jan. 1656; m. THOMAS CONOWAY
- 2. ii. HENRY, b. at Belleniskcannel, 7 Sept. 1658.
- iii. THOMAS, b. Mar. 1661; m. 1) MARGARET _____, 2) GRACE COOK
- iv. CATHERINE, b. May 1663; m. GEORGE ROBINSON

Children, by second wife

- v. SAMUEL, b. in Ireland, 27 Jan. 1673; m. HANNAH HARLIN
- vi. ENOCH, b. 7 June 1675, d. 1687
- vii. VALENTINE, JR., b. 12 Nov. 1677, m. ELIZABETH HEALD
- viii. ANN, b. in Ireland, 28 Oct. 1680; m. JAMES THOMPSON

- ix. JOHN, b. at New Castle Co., 19 Feb. 1684; m. CATHERINE TYLER
- x. JOSEPH, b. 10 May 1686
- xi. ENOCH, b. ca. 1688, d. 26 Sept. 1690

2. **HENRY² HOLLINGSWORTH**, (*Valentine¹*) was born at Belleniskcrannel 7 Sept. 1658 and died at Elkton, Cecil Co., Md. in March of 1721. He married in the Parrish of Sligo, County Armagh, Ireland, 22 Aug. 1688, LYDIA ATKINSON.

He first arrived in America 14 Aug. 1683 on the ship *Lion of Liverpool* with Robert Turner, to whom he was indentured for two years. Upon achieving his freedom, he settled with his father, returning to Ireland in 1688 to marry. He returned to Pennsylvania with his wife and settled in Chester Co. He was a large landowner there and at Newcastle Co., Del. A surveyor, he assisted Thomas Holmes in laying out the city of Philadelphia. He represented Newcastle Co. in the Pennsylvania Assembly in 1695. He served as sheriff in 1695 and clerk of court from 1700 to 1708. He removed to Cecil Co., Md. in 1711-12 and was appointed Surveyor of the County by Lord Baltimore.

Children, surname *Hollingsworth*,

- i. RUTH³, b. 1689, m. GEORGE SIMPSON
- ii. STEPHEN, b. 1690, m. ANNE _____ and settled in Orange Co., Va.
- 3. iii. ZEBULON, b. 1696
- iv. CATHERINE, m. _____ DAWSON
- v. ABIGAIL, m. RICHARD DOBSON in 1720
- vi. MARY

3. **ZEBULON³ HOLLINGSWORTH**, (*Henry², Valentine¹*), born at Chester Co., Penn. in 1696 and died in Cecil Co., Md., 8 Aug. 1763. He married, 1727, 1) ANN MAULDIN, daughter of Col. Francis Mauldin. She died in November of 1740. He married 2) 25 July 1741 MARY JACOBS. He was a large landowner and a Magistrate and President of the Cecil County Court.

Children, surname *Hollingsworth*, by first wife,

- i. ELIZABETH⁴, b. 6 Feb. 1728, m. _____ VEAZEY or JAMES WARREN
- ii. STEPHEN, b. 13 May 1730. Never married.
- 4. iii. JESSE, b. 12 March 1732
- iv. ZEBULON, b. 17 May, 1735; m. MARY EVANS
- v. COL. HENRY, b. 17 Sept. 1737; m. 1) SARAH HUSBANDS, 2) JANE EVANS
- vi. LEVI, b. 29 Nov. 1739; m. HANNAH PASCHALL

Children by second wife,

- vii. JACOB, b. 30 July 1742; d. 1 March 1803
- viii. LYDIA, b. 13 March 1744; d. 4 Sept. 1812
- ix. THOMAS, b. 2 Aug. 1747; d. 5 Sept. 1815
- x. STEPHEN, b. 28 Feb. 1749; d. 10 Sept. 1822
- xi. JOHN, b. 12 May 1752; d. 30 Sept. 1808
- xii. DAVID, b. 12 Aug. 1754; d. 18 July 1775
- xiii. SAMUEL, b. 17 Jan. 1757; d. 9 May 1830

4. **JESSE⁴ HOLLINGSWORTH**, (*Zebulon³, Henry², Valentine¹*) was born in Cecil Co., Md., 12 March 1732 and died at Woodville, Baltimore Co. 30 Sept. 1810 at the residence of his daughter, Mary Yellott. He married 1) SINAI RICKETTS, daughter of the Welsh lawyer, John Thomas ap Ricketts and Mary (Savency), and grand-daughter of Florent Savency, a wealthy Huguenot immigrant. She was born 22 May 1737 and died 4 Dec. 1786. He married 2) RACHEL L. (GOODWIN) PARKINS, a widow. He settled in Baltimore in 1772.

Children, surname *Hollingsworth*,

- i. MARY⁵, b. 18 Aug. 1760; m. CAPT. JEREMIAH YELLOTT
- 5. ii. ZEBULON, b. 14 Sept. 1762
- iii. HORATIO, b. July 1764; d. young.
- iv. GEORGE, b. 27 Jan. 1767; d. young.
- v. ANN, b. 9 Feb. 1766; m. REV. HENRY WILLIS

vi. JOHN, b. 10 Aug. 1771; m. RACHEL WILKINS

vii. FRANCIS, b. 1 Aug. 1773; m. MARY YELLOTT

5. Judge **ZEBULON⁵ HOLLINGSWORTH**, (*Jesse⁴, Zebulon³, Henry², Valentine¹*), of Baltimore, was born 14 Sept. 1762 and died 7 Aug. 1824. He married in 1790, ELIZABETH IRELAND, daughter of Edward and Mary (Cheeseman) Ireland. She was born at Barbados, 22 April 1774 and died in Baltimore, 19 July 1840.

He was the first Secretary of the first Agricultural Society in the U.S.A., formed in Baltimore in 1786. He was appointed a U.S. District Attorney in October of 1792 and elected to the first city council of Baltimore, 3rd Ward in 1797. He was Associate Judge of the Baltimore County Court from 1806 to 1817.

Children, surname *Hollingsworth*,

i. MARY⁶, b. 30 Dec. 1791; m. ALEXANDER BOYD

ii. EDWARD, b. 1795; m. DEBORAH MOALE

6. iii. HORATIO, b. ca. 1796

iv. GEORGE, b. 1798; d. young

v. JESSE, b. 19 March 1800; m. SOPHIA BAKER

vi. JOHN, b. 1802; m. MARY ANN KEENE

vii. ANN, b. ca. 1804; m. JOHN COLHOON

viii. SUSAN, b. 1809; m. JAMES W. WELLING

6. **HORATIO⁶ HOLLINGSWORTH**, (*Zebulon⁵, Jesse⁴, Zebulon³, Henry², Valentine¹*) was born at Philadelphia circa 1796 and died there. He married EMILY CAROLINE RIDGELY. She was the daughter of Judge Harry Ridgely and Matilda Chase, and a granddaughter of Judge Samuel Chase, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and his first wife, Ann Baldwin. She died 24 Dec. 1863.

Children, surname *Hollingsworth*,

i. MATHILDA ELIZABETH⁷, m. JOHN HENRY CARROLL

ii. EMILY, d. 1844

- iii. HENRY, d. young
- 7. iv. JOHN MCHENRY, b. at Baltimore, Md., 1823.
 - v. FRANCIS M., m. MARTHA J. BOWER. He d. at Paris, Mo., 14 Apr. 1853.
 - vi. EDWARD I., d. Mexico, 5 Dec. 1847.
 - vii. THOMAS M.
 - viii. CAROLINE
 - ix. HESTER FRANCIS

7. **JOHN MCHENRY⁷ HOLLINGSWORTH**, (*Horation⁶, Zebulon⁵, Jesse⁴, Zebulon³, Henry², Valentine¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Baltimore, Md., about 1824*, and died at Georgetown, D.C., 15 Apr. 1889. He married 21 Nov. 1865, VIRGINIA NICHOLS, daughter of Col. William Nichols. She died in 1895. They had no children.

He joined Stevenson's Regiment, the 1st New York Volunteers, and was assigned to Co. I as a Lieutenant under Capt. **William Shannon**. They shipped out of New York on 26 Sept. 1846 on the *Susan Drew*. He does not seem to have originally been planning to stay in California but gradually the idea of making a permanent home there came to him.

He abstained from the use of tobacco and alcohol but had the unenviable duty of maintaining order in his group of rowdy young men in a place where liquor seems to have been more plentiful than water. He often had to order one or more of his soldiers locked in the guard house. After a month at sea this farm boy was writing, "I do not like the sea. If ever I can get to land once more I shall never leave it." By this time over half of his company was in the guardhouse. "they had broke the rules. by eaten below deck. it is very hot in there. I cannot set how they do to breathe. I felt for them. The lice were crawling over them."

On 3 Nov., Company D mutinied, refusing to bathe. Company I, brought in to restore order, joined the mutiny. When both companies were thrown into the guardhouse, they broke down the door, dismantled the structure, and threw it overboard. An uneasy peace was maintained

* He gave his age as 25 in 1849, which would place his birth in 1824 or late 1823. His obituary in the *Washington Post* in 1889 states that he was born "about 70 years ago." NCAB claims he was born in Alabama in 1830, clearly an error.

until they finally dropped anchor at Rio in Brazil on 25 Nov. and the troops were let loose on the city.

Hollingsworth did not like Rio, which he felt was a filthy and uncomfortable place. He took in the opera and passed the days making sketches of the scenes in and around the city.

After a couple of weeks, the ship set sail again and the troops returned to their daily routine of “smoking, chewing, spitting and playing cards.” Occasionally a fight would break the tedium and a couple of times they diverted themselves with a masquerade. They celebrated Christmas by indulging in a small feast and a lot of hot punch.

By the time they arrived at San Francisco, Hollingsworth had been transferred to Company G. After a couple of weeks’ rest, they boarded the *Lexington* for Monterey. A month later they sailed again to San Pedro and marched from there to Los Angeles. Learning of the victories of Generals Scott and Taylor, Hollingsworth regretted not having served in an outfit that fought in Mexico.

Hollingsworth took some comfort in Los Angeles, engaging in a tempestuous flirtation with Isidora Bandini, the beautiful and coquettish daughter of Juan Bandini. She clearly liked him the best of the American soldiers, but he was not up to the competition. Living in the midst of all these happy Californios’ families left him homesick and depressed.

In the spring of 1848, he received news of the death of his brother, Edward. Despite letters pleading for him to return home, he remained at his post.

On 18 July, news of the discovery of gold in the Sierras reached Los Angeles. It created a sensation and there were several desertions. He worked to hold the company together until 18 Sept. when they were mustered out. He joined a group of the other officers led by Col. Stevenson and headed for the gold mines. This adventure turned out to be more dangerous than any he had yet experienced. His fellow travelers had “spent too much time on Broadway” and were useless in the wilderness.

After attempting to cross the desert directly to mountains, they eventually turned west to the Camino Real – the highway connecting the missions between Los Angeles and Sonoma – and headed for Santa

Barbara. Again heading into the mountains, the group became separated. Hollingsworth spent the worst night of his life huddled with one other under a tree in the snow with no fire. They hid their supplies and managed to make it on foot to Sutter's Fort where they rejoined the group. Eventually they did make it to the mines, but in August of 1849 he lost everything in a fire. Now he was beaten. He resolved to return home with nothing.

But he had already been elected to represent San Joaquin at the California Constitutional Convention. As always, he fulfilled his duty. Following the close of the convention, Governor Riley appointed him to bear the new document to Washington, D.C. Since he had already decided to return to Baltimore, he had probably volunteered.

Upon his return to the East Coast, he became Collector at the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal. He was Captain of the Potomac Light Infantry, a highly regarded drill company. With the commencement of the Civil War, the company was raised into a battalion. The war was expected to be short and the first enlistments were only for three months. Hollingsworth was promoted to the rank of Major. After successfully marching four companies of troops over the Aqueduct Bridge into Virginia and setting up the entrenchment there, he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel, the rank he held at the expiration of his three-month term of service.

Hollingsworth appears in the record one more time in 1872 when he was appointed superintendent of Mount Vernon, a position he held until 1885.

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J. M. Jones

The Family of James McHall Jones

1. **JOHN¹ JONES**, married ARABELLA I. BROWN, daughter of James Brown and Alesana Jones. Following his death, she married 2) Dr. Joseph Lewis Hornsby of Kentucky and they moved to Plaquemine, Iberville Parish, La. Arabella died in 1851, a few months before her son, James.

Children, surname *Jones*,

2. i. JAMES MCHALL², b. 31 Dec. 1823

Children of Arabella, surname *Hornsby*,

ii. ARABELLA LEWIS, b. ca. 1838, m. RICHARD FIELDER ARMSTRONG (b. 1842, d. ca. 1904). They had four children, *Arabella*, *Ethel*, *Joseph*, and *Bennett*.

iii. JOSEPH DASHIELL, b. ca. 1844

2. **JAMES MCHALL² JONES**, (*John¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in Scott Co., Ky., 31 Dec. 1823 and died unmarried at San Jose, Cal., 14 Dec. 1851, aged 28 years. He converted to Catholicism a few days prior to his death.

He studied many subjects at Paris, France before settling on law as a career. Fresh out of school and brimming with self-confidence, he arrived in California in July 1849 and in only five days had embarked on his campaign for election to the Constitutional Convention.

Picture me, then, seven days before the election, mounted upon a staid and sober-going mule, wending my way to the Diggin's, mummified with a blanket, provision bag, and letter of introduction, and armed with a brandy bottle and an enormous pair of Mexican spurs. Thus armed and equipped I made my grand entrée into "Wood's Diggin's," a great huddle of miners' tents in a wide ravine or "gulch," and opened the ball. I soon ascertained that a ticket of "old and respectable" citizens had been some time formed and sent through the mines. What a damper upon my prospects as a future legislator! But "nil desperandum"!

I CALLED A MEETING!

I MADE A SPEECH!

I preached all sorts of patriotic sentiments, and broached innumerable extempore theories for ameliorating the condition of mines and miners. And I not only got on their ticket in the place of some unfortunate gentleman, but they gave me letters to their friends in other places, urging them to support me.

But he had been recognized by some gamblers he had prosecuted in Panama, and when he returned to Wood's Diggins after a quick tour through nearby camps, he had been removed from the ticket and lost his endorsements.

This was the darkest hour. For a moment I yielded to apparently insurmountable difficulties, and gave it up. But only for a moment. I told them they might do as they pleased, but I never said die; and I started for the largest precinct of all, the Mockolome, to which I could not even get a letter, and where their emissaries were already at work.

After a 14-hour journey through the worst terrain he had yet encountered, he arrived at Mokolumne the day before the election.

I set to work. I mingled with the people incog. I soon learned the state of affairs, and that a horrible ogre by the name of Jones had better not show himself. It was getting decidedly interesting!

He discovered that in each precinct his opponents were inserting the name of a popular local resident onto the ticket to secure pledges of votes. But they had overlooked the northern part of the precinct which they felt was small and had few people likely to vote. The next day, Jones was in the northern precinct leading bands of miners to the polls and watching while they voted. At the close of voting he had won a quarter of the votes in the southern part of the precinct and all of the votes in the northern part. But when he returned to Wood's the following day, he determined that he had lost the election.

There I made, however, the acquaintance of an influential man, elected delegate from another district, and, better still, made a fee of \$300 by a two hours' speech. My new acquaintance told me I should go to convention anyhow. That, if not elected, the convention should admit me as supernumerary. This had been promised me by another influential delegate from San Francisco, and was pretty sure, and quite as flattering as an election. But what think you was the upshot of the show? The returns thus far render it quite certain that I have beaten the whole pack thirty to eighty votes.

But he was due for one more disappointment. In the final count, two of his largest polls had "disappeared," leaving him off the ticket of four delegates. Two weeks later an additional election was held at Stockton and with those results a different set of four delegates were elected! Amidst this confusion, Jones followed the advice of his unnamed friend

and went to Monterey to fight for his seat. There, some of the delegates elected failed to show up. Recognizing that the growth of population in the San Joaquin district since the original call for the convention entitled them to additional representatives, all the delegates who came to Monterey were admitted to the convention.

He got along well at the convention and earned the friendship and respect of his fellow delegates. He owned the only library of Spanish lawbooks in the territory and was the only lawyer at the convention who spoke Spanish and was familiar with Spanish law. Other lawyers consulted him, and he was to be the head of a commission for the purpose of codifying the law. But he turned down an offer of a seat on the Supreme Court. Midway into the convention, his future looked bright:

...if those whom I support go to Congress, which they certainly will do, there is nothing here in the president's gift they would not insist on my having if I wanted it. All this is the fruit of some little skill in playing political cards... The pathway of fame seems open to me, that of fortune I know I can command.... There will be titles annulled, judgements reversed, property seized, etc. And I'll have a whole fist in the pie. The Alcalde will do as I say, and people soon find that out. [NP]

Following the convention, Jones became a partner of Hon. John B. Weller, who kept an office in San Francisco, but James worked in a joint office in San Jose. He was considered one of the foremost real estate lawyers in the state. He was appointed U.S. District Judge, Southern District of California, but his ill health and untimely death prevented him from performing the duties of office. He left a large estate, 10 percent of which was applied to the cost of a tomb for his mother. The rest was divided between his brother and sister. Jacob David Hoppe was named as a co-executor of his estate.

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There is no picture of Benjamin S. Lippincott available.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Prof. S. Lippincott". The signature is written in dark ink and features a prominent, flowing underline that extends across the width of the text.

The Family of Benjamin S. Lippincott

1. **RICHARD¹ LIPPINCOTT** of Shrewsbury, New Jersey, died 25 Nov. 1683. He came to America from Stonehouse, Devonshire, England in 1639 and settled at Boston where he was made freeman 13 May 1640. After living for some time at Dorchester and at Boston, he had a falling out with his church and returned to Plymouth, England in 1652 where there was more liberty of conscience under Cromwell. He resided at Stonehouse and was imprisoned with other Quakers in 1655 and again in 1660. He left England again in 1663 with his wife and children, this time to come to Rhode Island. About 1665, he became one of the initial English settlers of Shrewsbury, N.J. His (probably second) wife, Abigail died 22 Aug. 1697. [CFA,CL]

Children, surname *Lippincott*:

2. i. REMEMBRANCE², b. Dorchester, Mass., June 1641 and baptized there, 19 July 1641.
- ii. JOHN, b. Boston, Mass., August 1644 and bapt. 6 Sep. 1644; d. Shrewsbury, 1720; m. 1) ANNE BARBER, 2) JEAN AUSTIN.
- iii. ABIGAIL, b. Boston, Mass., 17 Nov. 1646 and died within a few weeks.
- iv. RESTORE, b. Plymouth, Eng., 3 May 1653; d. Mt Holly, N.J. 22 May 1741; m. 1) HANNAH SHATTUCK, 2) 1729, MARTHA (SHINN) OWEN.
- v. FREEDOM, b. Plymouth, Eng., 1 Aug. 1655, d. Burlington, N.J. 1697; m. 14 Aug. or 4 Oct. 1680, MARY CURTIS.
- vi. INCREASE, b. Plymouth, Eng. 10 May 1657.
- vii. JACOB, b. Plymouth, Eng. 11 Mar. 1660; m. GRACE WOOLEY.
- viii. PRESERVED, b. Rhode Island, 25 Dec. 1663.

2. **REMEMBRANCE² LIPPINCOTT** (*Richard¹*) was born at Dorchester, Mass. in June 1641 and was baptized on 19 July 1641. He married MARY WHITE. [CFA,CL]

Children, born in Shrewsbury, surname *Lippincott*:

- i. JOSEPH³, b. 2nd of _____

- ii. ELIZABETH, (twin) b. 2nd of _____
- iii. ABIGAIL, b. 18 Feb. 16—
- iv. RICHARD, b. 19 Mar. 167-
- v. ELIZABETH, b. 29 Nov. 1677.
- vi. JOSEPH, b. 28 Mar. 1680; m. 17 Oct. 1701, ELIZABETH WHITE.
- 3. vii. WILLIAM, b. 17 Dec. 1682.
- viii. ABIGAIL, b. 17 Nov. 1685.
- ix. SARAH, b. 24 July 1688.
- x. RUTH, b. 6 Oct. 1691.
- xi. MARY, b. 26 Sep. 1693.
- xii. GRACE, b. 13 Apr. 1695.

3. **WILLIAM³ LIPPINCOTT** (*Remembrance², Richard¹*) was born at Shrewsbury, N.J. , 17 Dec. 1682. His will was dated 4 Nov. 1747. He married HANNAH WILBUR. [CFA,CL]

Children, surname *Lippincott*:

- i. PHEBE L., m. JEDIDIAH ALLEN.
- 4. ii. SAMUEL, b. Shrewsbury, 12 Dec. 1721

4. **SAMUEL⁴ LIPPINCOTT** (*William³, Remembrance², Richard¹*) was born at Shrewsbury, 12 Dec. 1721.[CL] He may be the Samuel Lippincott who married at Christ's Church, 16 Apr. 1761, ELIZABETH LANE. [HGM]

Children, surname *Lippincott*:

- 5. i. SAMUEL

5. **SAMUEL⁵ LIPPINCOTT** (*Samuel⁴, William³, Remembrance², Richard¹*) [CL]

Children, surname *Lippincott*:

- 6. i. BENJAMIN S., b. 6 Oct. 1815
- ii. CHARLES, was at Campo Seco from 1849 to 1852 and went to the Melones Quartz Diggings. He is mentioned in Perkins' journal of life in Sonora, *Three Years in California*.

- iii. AMAZIAH?, arrived in S.F. 25 May 1849; his descendant, Mr. Francis Lippincott Auger of San Rafael, believed that Amaziah and Benjamin were brothers.[FLA]
- iv. AMELIA, was living in New York state in 1849

6. **BENJAMIN S.⁶ LIPPINCOTT** (*Samuel⁵, Samuel⁴, William³, Remembrance², Richard¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in New York State (possibly Allegheny Co.) 6 Oct. 1815 and died at Red Banks, N.J., 22 Nov. 1870, aged 55 years. [SJR,HGM] He is buried at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery at Shrewsbury, N.J. [CFA] He married ANN LOUISE _____. [BB]

He left Independence on 10 May 1846 in a wagon train led by Col. Russell but became dissatisfied with the slow pace of travel. A small group including himself and Edwin Bryant, struck off ahead of the train only to lose almost all their cattle in a Pawnee raid. They met **Lansford Hastings** at Laramie but chose not to take the disastrous Cutoff. After a small war with the Shoshones in which Lippincott took an arrow in his leg, the band arrived safely at Sutter's Fort. [BSL2]

Letters of introduction from John L. Stephens in New York enabled him to easily establish business contacts. He spent a few weeks engaged in commerce before Col. Russell obtained him a commission in Fremont's California Battalion where he served as Lieutenant of Co. H and also acted as quartermaster. It was during this time that he met **Thomas O. Larkin**. Following the end of the war, as Larkin's agent, he led a trading expedition to the Sandwich Islands. [BSL1]

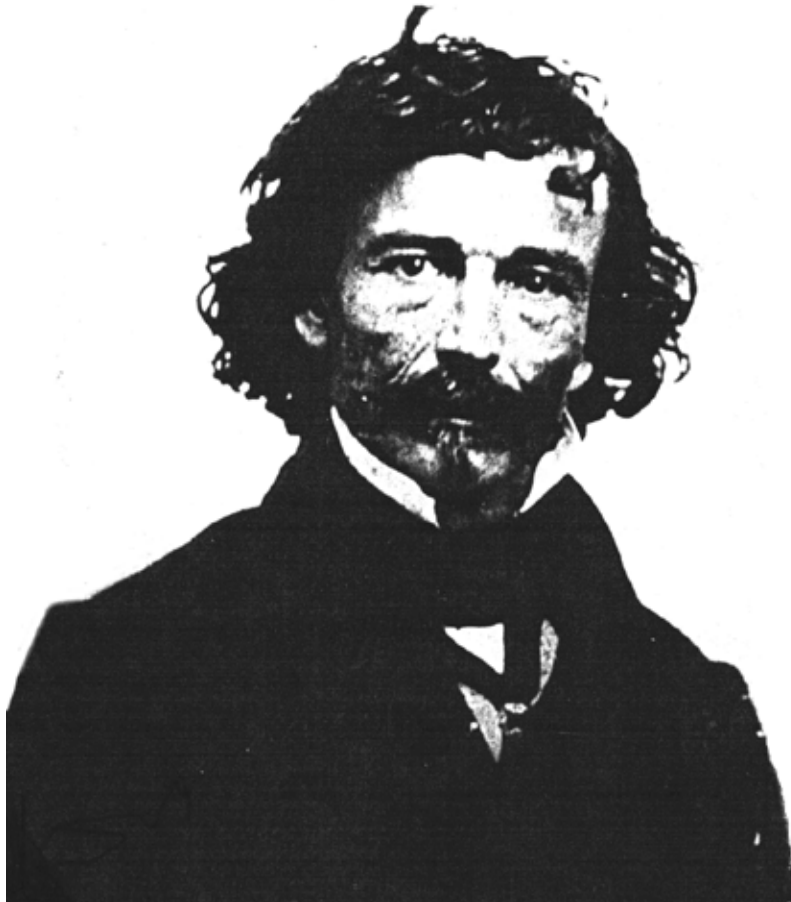
He invested in several lots in San Francisco and 31 lots in San Jose but in 1849, he sold out of San Francisco and settled in San Joaquin where he worked as a trader. He was elected from there to the Constitutional Convention and when it concluded, he was elected to the first state legislature. That year he surveyed the new city of Eureka (now Tuolumne) where he had invested. Later he moved there and was once again elected senator. In 1855, he was living in Calaveras Co. and was elected to the state legislature where he was a leading factor in the Broderick senatorial fighting. [HSJ,SJR,BSL2]

Lippincott returned to the East Coast shortly about 1865 but visited the West Coast again once before his death. [SJR]

A letter to his sister in New York indicates she knew **Thomas L. Vermeule**. [BSL2]

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B. F. Moor

The Family of Benjamin Franklin Moore

1. Col. **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN² MOORE**, signer of the California Constitution, was born in 1820 [CC] or 1824 [MR] at Moore's Bluff on the Tombigbee River in that part of West Florida that became the coast of Alabama. There were many American settlers living in that part of the Spanish territory of Florida at that time, and the area was taken by the United States in 1820. He was the son of Thomas¹ and Mercy Ann (Phipps) Moore. B. F. Moore died on 1 Jan. 1866 at Stockton, Cal. He married MARY BARRY MCCARTHY, a native of North Carolina, at the Presbyterian Church of Sonora, 9 Feb. 1859 (*See the McCarthy family, below*). She was born in 1827 [or 1833?] at Rutherfordton, N.C. and died at Pasadena, Cal., 9 Dec. 1909. [MR]

Benjamin Moore came to California in 1848 from Texas where he was a Texas Ranger during the Mexican War, and settled first in Stockton and soon after in Sonora, a part of the San Joaquin District at the time of the Convention. The District had been allocated two representatives, but by the time of the election, the population had swelled so that the district actually deserved fifteen. They elected fifteen, and Benjamin Moore was one of only six that actually showed up at Monterey. Seeing himself as some kind of southern gentlemen, he described his occupation as "elegant leisure."

Moore only appears in the record of the Convention three times. On one occasion he encouraged his fellow southerner James M. Jones not to request an apology from Henry Tefft after the latter made a sneering remark, but rather to let the matter be settled out of doors (William Gwin stepped in to avert a bloody feud). In the debate on a provision to prohibit lotteries, Moore remarked that he had not received any directive from his constituents as to which of their amusements should be regulated, or their hours of getting up or going to bed, and proclaimed his support for freedom of religion (which in his mind included lotteries). The third occasion where he appears in the record followed the vote to elect Kewen as State Attorney General. Moore rose, announced he had made a mistake and asked to change his vote. The request was denied.

He was Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the Assembly, 1849, but resigned before the end of his term. In the first and second legislatures at San Jose 1850-51, he represented Tuolumne Co. In 1851, he ran for congress on the Whig ticket but was defeated.

He worked in Sonora for several years where he was recognized by the Union Democrat as "a criminal lawyer... second to none others." His lack of training and education was offset by his mesmerizing behavior in the courtroom. He flooded his oratory with quotations from scholars that may or may not have been relevant to his case. His clients were often poor and illiterate and his arguments often disparaged learning and formality. Occasions are recorded where he lost control and ignored the instructions of the judge, screaming his arguments above the pounding of the gavel and the remonstrations of the judge. Once he even drew his gun in court in frustration, whereupon he was knocked unconscious by his good friend Sheriff George Work who carried him from the courtroom and stayed with him until he revived.

His impassioned behavior extended outside of the courtroom. An undocumented story has Col. Moore leading a raid on the offices of Adams and Co. to prevent the deposits in the failing company from being transferred to San Francisco in 1855. Against the opposition of Sheriff Solomon, the vaults were opened, and Moore presided over the distribution of \$44,992.00 to depositors.

A southerner to the last, on July 4, 1861, he flew the Confederate flag in front of his house and stood guard over it with a rifle. He campaigned vigorously in 1864 for the Democratic presidential candidate George B. McClellan, using every opportunity to disparage the North and northern customs. He was devastated when Lincoln was re-elected.

By 1865 Moore was suffering the ravages of a lifetime of excessive drinking. Late in the year he moved to San Francisco, probably at the insistence of his wife. About Christmas he was entered as an inmate at the Stockton Insane Asylum. He died there on New Year's Eve of the effects of acute alcoholism.

His widow worked as an assistant teacher and became well known in the social and educational circles in San Francisco.

Children, surname *Moore*,

- i. _____³, b. ca. 1859-60
- ii. MAURICE MCCARTHY, b. ca. 11 Oct. 1861, d. San Francisco, 15 Dec. 1866, age 5y 2m 4d (“youngest ch, age 4” in 1865, so there was at least one older)
- 2. iii. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Jr., b. Sonora ca. 1865;
- iv. daughter, b. 14 May 1865 at Dutch Flat.
- v. GREEN HILL, b. ca. 25 March 1866, S.F.; d. 12 May 1866, S.F., age 7 weeks.

2. **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN³ MOORE, JR.** (*Benjamin², Thomas¹*) was born at Sonora about 1865 and died at Los Angeles, 16 Mar. 1918. He is buried at Hollywood Cemetery. He married ELIZABETH “*Elsa*” J. VON RISTELHUEBER, who was born in Germany ca. 1885 and died at Duarte, Cal., 31 March 1951. She is buried at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

He was educated at Urban Academy, San Francisco. He worked as a tax searcher for the Title Guaranty and Trust Company of Los Angeles and was a prominent member of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

Children, surname *Moore*:

- i. ELIZABETH⁴
- ii. MAURICE MCCARTHY BARRY
- iii. JOSEPHINE

The McCarthy Family

1. **MAURICE¹ MCCARTHY**, the ancestor of the family was born in Ireland and married BRIDGET O’HEA there before emigrating to the United States about 1821. They settled in western North Carolina where they had a gold mine investment. They subsequently moved on to Columbus, Miss. where they both died when their eldest child was only fourteen.

Children (surname *McCarthy*):

- i. MAURICE², b. Ireland 1820, a major in the confederate army. He res. Columbus, Miss. in 1892, a wealthy and prominent man.

- ii. JAMES, b. U.S. 1822, d. inf.
- iii. James Barry, b. 1824; a midshipman in the U.S. Navy. He died off the coast of Pernambuco, S.A.
- iv. MICHAEL O'HEA, b. 1826
- v. MARY BARRY, b. Rutherford, N.C. 1828, m. BENJAMIN F. MOORE (see above)
- 2. vi. DANIEL O'CONNELL, b. Raleigh, N.C., 24 Aug. 1830.
- vii. CATHERINE, b. 1832, m. _____ Hill and res. Columbus, Miss. She was living in San Diego in 1892.
- viii. JOHN HARVEY, 1834
- ix. JEREMIAH CROWLEY, 1835

2. **DANIEL O'CONNELL² MCCARTHY**, was born at Raleigh, N.C., 24 Aug. 1830. He came west in 1850 and married at San Francisco, 16 Dec. 1857, AMANDA C. ANDERSON, daughter of Mathew and Lucinda (Moore) Anderson, who was born at Mobile, Alabama in 1837. She died at Los Angeles, 31 Dec. 1911 (or 1909) and he died there, 13 Aug. 1919. The Amanda Chapel at Carthay Circle was dedicated in her honor, 24 Mar. 1923.

Children (surname *McCarthy*):

- 3. i. JOHN HARVEY³, 4 May 1870
- ii. MARY BARRY, res. Los Angeles 1935.
- ? MAURICE
- iv. KATHERINE, m. _____ CHAMBERLAIN

3. **JOHN HARVEY³ MCCARTHY** was born at San Diego, 4 May, 1870, married at Santa Ana, MARY LOUISE PATTERSON, born in Kentucky, a descendant of a pioneer family of Santa Fe Springs.

John engaged in the real estate business, founded Carthay Circle (Beverly Hills) and Carthay Chapel and dedicated the Brannan Monument in San Diego.

Child (surname *McCarthy*):

- i. WILLIAM HARVEY⁴, b. 2 Aug. 1908, a graduate of U.C.L.A.; res. Los Angeles.

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There is no picture of Thomas Lloyd Vermeule available.

Thos L Vermeule

The Family of Thomas Lloyd Vermeule

1. **ADRIAN¹ VERMEULE**, son of Jan Cornelissen and Janneke (Regot) Vermeule, was born at Vlissingen, Netherlands, 1665, where the surname is pronounced “Fair-mer-la”, and died at Bergen, N.J., in 1735. He married 1) at Vlissingen, 30 May 1690, **DINAH DE SWARTE**. She and their only child had both died by 1693 when he came to North America. He married 2) at Bergen, N.J., 13 June 1708, **CHRISTINA FREDERICKSE CADMUS**, daughter of Frederick Tomasse Cadmus.

Vermeule came to America on a visit with his cousin, Rev. Guillaume Berthoff, intending to return to Zeeland, but decided to remain. In 1699 he became *voorleser* (town clerk) at Harlem, N.Y. In 1708, he became *voorleser* at Bergen, N.J. and retained that office for 27 years. In 1735, shortly before his death, he purchased a plantation at the Blue Hills, near Plainfield, for his sons.

Children, surname *Vermeule*,

- i. **FREDERICK²**
 - ii. **LEUNTZE**
 - 2. iii. **CORNELIUS**, b. Bergen, N.J., 2 Apr. 1716.
2. **CORNELIUS² VERMEULE**, (*Adrian¹*) was born at Bergen, N.J., 2 Apr. 1716 and died at the Blue Hills, N.J., 15 Mar. 1784. He married in 1740, **MARY MARSELIS**, daughter of Ide and Ariaentje Braes (alias Van Deusen) Marselis.

He was a member of the first regularly elected Provincial Congress, which met at Trenton, 3 Oct. 1775. On 28 July 1775 he was elected to the Somerset County Committee of Observation. He was for many years an Elder of the Raritan (now Somerville) Dutch Reformed Church.

Children, surname *Vermeule*,

- i. **ADRIAN³**, b. 1741, m. **ELIZABETH FISHER**, d. 1777 as a P.O.W.

- ii. GERRITY
- iii. EDER
- iv. FREDERICK, m. PAMELIA DAVIS.
- v. CHRISTINE
- 3. vi. CORNELIUS, b. 1757
- vii. DINAH

3. **CORNELIUS³ VERMEULE**, (*Cornelius², Adrian¹*), born at Blue Hills, N.J., 30 June 1757 and died 11 Oct. 1824. He married, 14 Feb. 1781, ELIZABETH MIDDAGH, daughter of Col. Dirck and Margaret (Davis) Middagh of Somerville.

He was captain of his company in the Revolutionary War, a position he held until 1802. He was an Elder of the Bound Brook Presbyterian Church.

Children, surname *Vermeule*,

- 4. i. RICHARD MIDDAGH⁴ b. 1786
- ii. DINAH
- iii. CORNELIUS C., b. 1787, d. 1859
- iv. MARGARET
- v. FREDERICK, b. 1791, d. 1865
- vi. ISAAC DAVIS
- vii. JUDITH MIDDAGH, m. Rev. JAMES PHILLIPS of Chapel Hill Univ. N.C.
- viii. JOHN MARSELIS, b. 1800, d. 1833
- ix. FIELD, b. 1803, d. 1877, studied at Columbia College, N.Y.
- x. WARREN, b. 1806, d. 1861, studied at Columbia College, N.Y.

4. Dr. **RICHARD MIDDAGH⁴ VERMEULE**, (*Cornelius³, Cornelius², Adrian¹*) was born 1786 and died at New York City, 1861. He and his brother Cornelius studied medicine under Dr. Benjamin Rush of Philadelphia.

Children, surname *Vermeule*,

5. i. THOMAS LLOYD⁵, b. in New Jersey, 11 June 1814.

5. **THOMAS LLOYD⁵ VERMEULE**, (*Richard⁴, Cornelius³, Cornelius², Adrian¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in New Jersey, 11 June 1814 and died at the State Asylum at Stockton, Cal., 7 May 1856, where he had been admitted with lung disease a few weeks before. He was buried in the cemetery adjacent to the asylum. He married JANE

_____.
He came to California as a 2nd Lieutenant in Co. E of Stevenson's Regiment of N.Y. Volunteers. He was one of those who had been left behind in the hasty departure and sent on a later boat arriving 18 Apr. 1847. He was stationed in Los Angeles where he was a bit of a trouble-maker. On 28 Dec. he got drunk and was arrested trying to break into a store. After a fight with 2nd Lt. **Hollingsworth**, he was subdued and locked up. The following day he was sent to quarters, but he broke his arrest and got drunk again.

By the following summer, word of the discovery of gold had reached Los Angeles. On 18 July, Lt. Hollingsworth wrote, "Things look more gloomy this morning. We fear many more desertions will take place. Mr. Vermeule was arrested last night. We think he has been tampering with the men. His object has been to injure the Regiment all he could and raise a party for the gold mines." Whatever he was thinking, Vermeule did not desert and was honorably discharged.

He met **Hollingsworth** again as a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1849. He was elected to the first State Senate, but he resigned on 16 April to take the office of City Attorney for San Jose.

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O. W. Moore

The Family of

Oliver Meredith Wozencraft

1. **JOHN M.¹ WOZENCRAFT**, “of London,” was born in Wales, and died at the age of 64, while in South Carolina en route to England. He married HANNAH W. JONES. She died at the age of 92 in San Bernardino, Cal. He emigrated from London to Baltimore, Md., and settled in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1806.

Children, surname *Wozencraft*,

i. Capt. J. J., b. 6 Aug. 1807; m. 1828, OLIVIA KING, dau. of Alexander King, the first deputy sheriff of Hamilton Co., Ohio. They had four sons and three daughters.

2. ii. OLIVER MEREDITH, b. 26 June 1814

2. **OLIVER MEREDITH² WOZENCRAFT**, (*John M.¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Clermont, Ohio, 26 June 1814 and died at Washington D.C., 22 Nov. 1887. He married at Beech Grove, Tenn., 23 Feb. 1837, LEMIZA ANN RAMSEY, daughter of Col. William Ramsey. She was born at Beech Grove, Tenn., 13 June 1818, and died at San Bernardino, 30 Aug. 1905, where she was living with her daughter. They are both buried in the family vault at San Bernardino.

Oliver Wozencraft graduated from St. Joseph College in Bardstown, Kentucky and found employment with the government as an Indian agent. A physician and surgeon, he lived in Maryland, Washington D.C., Tennessee, Ohio, New York and finally arrived in New Orleans, Louisiana in the midst of a major cholera epidemic. When the disease was brought under control, he travelled with his family to Brownsville, Texas to rest but before he had regained his own health a cholera epidemic broke out there. The resident physician having fled, Wozencraft led the fight against the scourge assisted by a retired Army surgeon. Later, when news of the discovery of gold in California reached Texas, the surgeon found Wozencraft a position with a westward-bound column of troupes headed for Fort Yuma.

Released from the army, he travelled with a four or five companions across the Alagondones sand dunes in the Imperial Valley. As their water

supplies ran low and exhaustion came over them, the wind eventually drove them into the shelter of a nearby cave. When the wind died down, he went exploring and found a natural pond whose waters refreshed the travelers. Wozencraft carried a barometer in his pack and noted that the cave was below sea level. He began to imagine that water could be transported down from the Colorado River to this trail to create a series of oases and render the desert habitable. This idea grew to become a mission in his life.

Arriving in California, he headed north to San Francisco on the steamer *Chagres*, and from there to Stockton, at that time merely a collection of tents. That summer he was urged by his friends to submit his name as a candidate for Constitutional Convention. Although he did not want to, he did so anyway and was elected with over 800 votes. At the opening of the convention, however, he was denied a seat until the seated members voted to increase the number of representatives allowed the San Joaquin District.

He proved to be one of the most active participants in the floor debates. His comments tended to be based on simple common sense, but he also spoke at length in favor of banning the African race from the state “from philanthropic motives” and denying voting rights to Indians. It is not surprising that, having left his family behind in Texas, he argued against Botts’ proposal to disenfranchise men whose families resided out of state.

Following the convention, he travelled east himself and in Washington, obtained an appointment as Indian commissioner, one of three. Returning to California, this time he brought his family with him, settling in San Francisco.

As commissioner, his duty was to prevent wars between the Indians and the roving bands of militia by negotiating treaties with the tribes. Generally, they offered guarantees of reservations, blankets and foodstuffs in return for guarantees of peace. When one of the commissioners left the state, Wozencraft took over in the southern district as well where he was called upon to help restore peace following the Garra conspiracy. The treaties were deemed to be too favorable to the Indians and as a result of a storm of protest, the commissioners were not

paid. Wozencraft traveled back to Washington to press his case and finally obtained a settlement.

Wozencraft returned to California and he purchased the historic Lugo adobe. He moved there with his eldest son, leaving his wife and other children in the San Francisco. The memory of his journey across the Imperial Valley was still active in his thoughts and he began to write a proposal for a project to bring water to what was then a wasteland.

In 1859, Wozencraft presented the ideas to the State legislature and obtained an enormous grant of land from San Bernardino south to the Mexican border and east from the San Gregorio pass to the Colorado River with the provision that bring water to it within a specified time. He lobbied Congress in Washington, D.C. for a similar bill, but despite a positive recommendation out of committee, it failed on the floor.

Disappointed, Wozencraft returned to San Francisco and continued to lobby for his project. He fought cholera in China, visited Japan, travelled to Washington again on behalf of the Pacific telegraph. He was an active member of the Society of California Pioneers.

Finally, the War Department financed a topographical engineering expedition that showed that Wozencraft's scheme was feasible. Wozencraft worked with a surveyor to map out a route for the canal. In 1887, he returned again to Washington to press his case and was once again rebuffed. He had spent a fortune promoting the project, and now he sold his house in San Francisco to cover his lobbying expenses and moved into a rooming house. He was dead before the end of the year.

Years later, the Alamo Canal was built through the Imperial Valley largely on the route surveyed by Wozencraft. He is remembered in history as the "Father of Imperial Valley."

Children, surname *Wozencraft*,

3. i. WILLIAM R.³, b. 29 May 1838.
 - ii. OLIVER M., Jr., b. Nashville, Tenn., 26 Sept. 1844; d. 23 Sept. 1877.
 - iii. HENRY CLAY, b. New Orleans, 27 Apr. 1847, d. San Bernardino, 30 July 1890.
 - iv. LEMIZA, b. New Orleans, 5 Oct. 1850, d. 4 Mar. 1884.
4. v. MARY AGNES, b. 13 Apr. 1854

- vi. SHASTA (adopted) b. c. 1850, was found as an abandoned infant during Wozencraft's term as Indian commissioner and raised as a member of the family.

3. **WILLIAM R.³ WOZENCRAFT**, (*Oliver M.², John M.¹*) was born in Tennessee, 29 May 1838 and died 28 Jan. 1888. He married at Los Angeles, 16 Aug. 1864, LAURA MARIA BROWN, (born 1846) daughter of Rev. John Brown. After his death, she married 2) _____ THOMAS.

Children, surname *Wozencraft*,

- 5. i. WILLIAM R.⁴, Jr., b. 18 Aug. 1865.
- ii. ALEXANDER COON, b. ca. 1866/7; m. at Los Angeles, 28 Sept. 1896, ELIZABETH SALISBURY,
- iii. LULU, "*Mary?*", b. 18 Apr. 1868, San Bernardino; m. _____ NORTON, res. Seattle, Wash.
- iv. ANNIE ELIZABETH, "*Agnes?*", b. 28 May 1870, d. at San Bernardino, 29 June 1874.
- v. DOLORES LOUISE, b. 1875; m. _____ STRICKLAND; res. in Los Angeles?
- vi. JOHN, b. at San Bernardino, 1878 and d. there 28 June 1898.

4. **MARY AGNES³ WOZENCRAFT**, (*Oliver M.², John M.¹*) was born 13 April 1854 and died 1 May 1914. She married Prof. LEOPOLD STEINBRENNER. He was born at Baden, Germany, 19 June 1841 and died 3 Aug. 1910.

Children, surname *Steinbrenner*,

- i. MARY A.⁴, b. ____, d. Los Angeles, 21 July 1947; m. Mr. FIFIELD.

5. **WILLIAM R.⁴ WOZENCRAFT**, (*William R.³, Oliver M.², John M.¹*) was born 18 Aug. 1865 and died 31 Aug. 1920. He married PAULINE MARSH who was born in Germany, 7 June 1875 and died 17 Nov. 1937.

Children, surname *Wozencraft*,

- i. ESTHER⁵, b. Pittsburg, Penn., Jan. 1897, d. 26 Sept. 1909
- ii. WILLIAM, b. 1 Sept. 1900, d. 26 Sept. 1909
- iii. RUTH, b. Pittsburg, Penn. , 1906; m. RAYMOND WATSON; res. Champaign, Ill.
- iv. ALEXANDER, b. Champaign, Ill., June 1910, m. GENEVIEVE CHAPMAN, res. Hanover, Colo. No children.

- v. HOWARD, b. 3 Sept. 1911; m. 31 Dec. 1933, ADELIA MAYER; res. at Urbana, Ill.
- vi. RUSSELL W., b. 20 Oct. 1915, d. 29 Oct. 1939
- vii. DOROTHY, b. Sept. 1919; m. CHUCK GURDRY.

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San Jose District

Joseph Aram

Elam Brown

Kimball H. Dimmick

Julian Hanks

Jacob David Hoppe

Antonio M. Pico

Pierre Sainsevain



Joseph A. Starn

The Family of Joseph Aram

1. **MATTHIAS¹ ARAM**, was born Yorkshire Co., England circa 1773. He married **ELIZABETH TOMPKINS**, daughter of James and Sara (Hanna) Tompkins. Sara Hanna was born in Ireland in 1759, the daughter of Nathaniel Hanna. Matthias and Elizabeth had at least eight children.

Matthias emigrated to New York and served as a drillmaster in the War of 1812, U.S. Army.

Children (incomplete), surname *Aram*:

- i. **WILLIAM FRANCIS²**, b. New York, ca. 1808, m. **MARY EATON** who was b. N.H. ca. 1830. He served as the first Sheriff of Santa Clara Co. It is said he helped raise the flag at Monterey. He is shown living in Ohio in 1850.

Child born Newark Ohio: *William Francis*, b. 25 Jan. 1849, Newark, Ohio., d. in 1910. He married, 25 Jan. 1893, Marie E. Hatch of Medford, Mass. (a Mayflower descendent) and res. at 1414 Park Ave., Alameda, Cal. No children. * [WWC]

- 2. ii. Capt. **JOSEPH**, ca. 1810.

2. Capt. **JOSEPH² ARAM**, signer of the California Constitution, pioneer nurseryman; was born at Whitestown, Geneva, Oneida Co., N.Y. 24 March 1810 and died at San Jose, Cal. 30 Mar. 1898. He married 1) **MAHALA BIRDSALL**, daughter of Edmund Birdsall. She was born 20 Aug. 1813 and died in Ohio, 15 Aug. 1836. Joseph married 2) June 1837, **SARAH ANN WRIGHT**, daughter of Seaman and Fanny (Briggs) Wright, b. near Montpelier, Vt. 14 Nov. 1811 and died 1 March 1873 while on a visit to the east coast. She is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery. Joseph married 3) 20 Sept. 1876, Mrs. **GRACE C. GRAY**, b. 1834, came to California from Michigan in 1871 and died in 1924. She is buried at Oak Hill Cemetery in San Jose.

* A W. F. Aram married M. G. Bradbury in Alameda Co. on 19 June 1871.

In his youth Joseph Aram was a post rider and stage driver in New York. He attended school at the Lima, N.Y. Seminary. About 1840 he settled in Jo Daviess Co., Illinois and farmed there for several years.

He left for California in April of 1846, arriving at Johnson's Ranch on the first of October. He settled shortly afterward in the Santa Clara valley where his son soon died. With the outbreak of the rebellion, he was commissioned Captain by Fremont and put in charge of the fort at Santa Clara. He served in this capacity until the close of the War. He built the old fort at Monterey and returned to San Jose in 1849.

In 1862 Capt. Aram resided and ran a nursery on the west bank of the Coyote River near the Milpitas Rd. crossing, about three miles north of the San Jose courthouse.

He was a member of the Pioneer Association and the Society of Mexican Veterans.

Child by first wife, surname *Aram*:

- i. SARAH M.³, b. at Cleveland, Ohio.[†] in 1836; m. at San Jose 28 Aug. 1855, Rev. PETER Y. COOL, a Methodist Episcopal minister, b. 1806 at Cayuga Co., N.Y. and d. Los Angeles 6 Nov. 1882. Sarah was a pupil at the first American school at Sutter's Fort.

Children by second wife:

- ii. GEORGE, b. ca. 30 Nov. 1838; d. at Santa Clara 10 Dec. 1846; bur. Oak Hill Cemetery in San Jose.
- iii. JANE E. "*Jennie*", b. Illinois, May 1842; m. at San Jose, 28 Dec. 1864 ABRAM EHLE POMEROY, b. Athens, Mich. 2 Oct. 1838, son of Charles W. and Permelia (Valentine) Pomeroy. Jane d. 18 Aug. 1868 and Abram m., second, at San Jose, 6 Dec. 1871 Florence A. Wilcox and they had a son, Walter V. Pomeroy. Abram and Florence were real estate operators in Los Angeles.
- iv. MARTHA ANN, "*Mattie*", b. Illinois, ca. Jan. 1845 and d. San Jose, 6 May 1858. Buried at Oak Hill.
- v. EUGENE WRIGHT, b. Monterey, 26 Jan. 1848; d. San Francisco, 1 June 1927; bur. Greenlawn Cemetery. He m. 17 March 1875 ELIZABETH J. JASPER, daughter of J. M. C. Jasper of Wheatland, Cal. She d. 6 March 1892. Eugene was an attorney; graduate of the University of the Pacific in 1870, A.B. [IRV]

[†] The 1852 Census shows her age as 11 years. This date of birth is from her age at death.

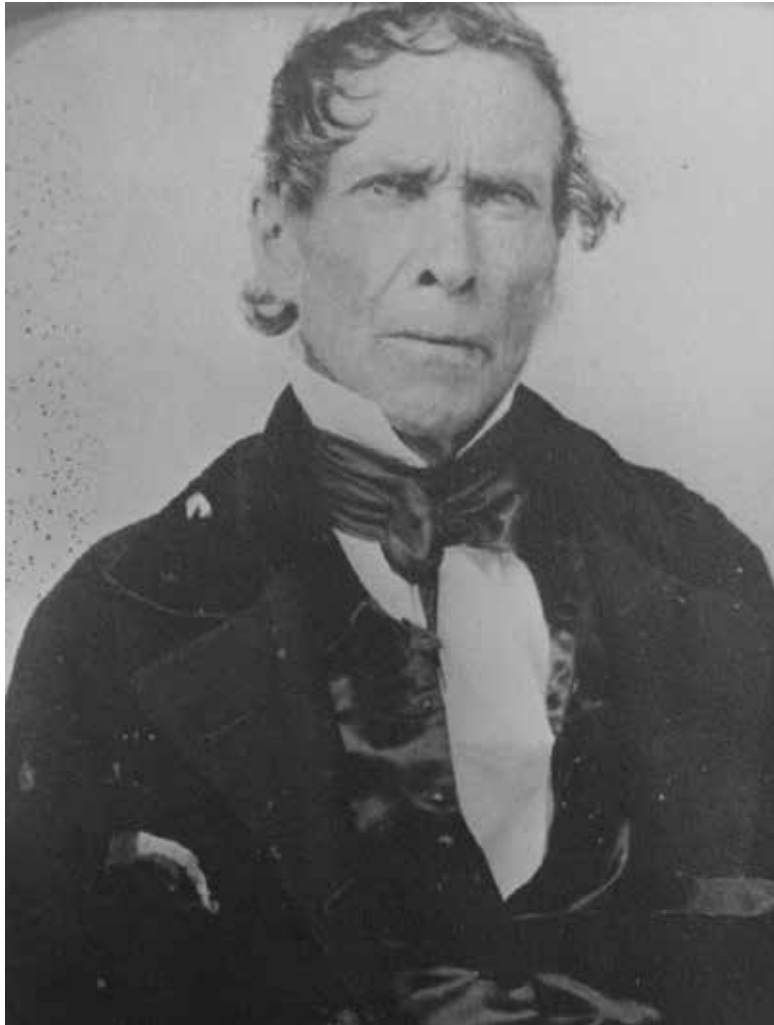
Other notes:

Addie Lida Birdsall, daughter of Nathaniel Birsdall by his first wife, is said to be a niece of Capt. Joseph Aram. Addie married Edward Mason Coleman (son of John and Elizabeth Coleman of Mead Co., KY) and moved to Los Angeles in 1896 where they lived at 727 S. Ardmore St. and engaged in real estate brokerage. They had a daughter who married architect Albert Shachelman on 2 Jan 1924 in Los Angeles.

Frederick Aram Holmes of San Francisco in 1954 was a great-nephew on the maternal side. He had a sister, Mrs. Carl Nelson Nutter of Enterprise, Oregon.

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Edwin Brown

The Family of Elam Brown

1. **JAMES¹ BROWN** was born circa 1686 in Scotland. He is said to have emigrated to Scituate, Mass. in 1719.

Children, surname *Brown*, (incomplete):

2. i. JAMES², b. ca. 1716.

2. **JAMES² BROWN, Jr.**, (*James¹*), born circa 1716 in Scotland and died 1808 in Warren, Mass. He married ELIZABETH SPEER, 21 Jan. 1741/2.

Children, surname *Brown*, born Weston, Mass.:

i. MATTHEW³, b. 17 Oct. 1742.

ii. DAVID, b. 11 Apr. 1744.

iii. JAMES, b. 21 Sep. 1745; m. at Weston, 19 Sep. 1772, ELIZABETH PATRICK.

3. iv. WILLIAM SPEER, b. 12 Apr. 1747

3. **WILLIAM SPEER³ BROWN**, (*James², James¹*), born at Warren, Mass. 12 Apr. 1747 and died 11 Nov. 1828. He married MARGARET PATRICK, who was born 22 Feb. 1749/50 and died at Warren, 10 Jun 1832.

William was a private in Capt. Reuben Read's Co. of Minutemen from Western (Warren). He also marched with Col. Jonathan Warner's Regiment., 20 Apr. 1775, on alarm to Roxbury. He served 25 days.

Children, surname *Brown*, all born Warren, Mass.:

4. i. Maj. THOMAS⁴

ii. JAMES, b. 16 Apr. 1772

iii. WILLIAM, b. 7 Dec. 1773

iv. CALVEN, b. 3 Dec. 1775

v. BETTY, b. 19 Aug. 1777

4. **THOMAS⁴ BROWN**, (*William S.³, James², James¹*) was born 28 Nov. 1769 or 20 Nov. 1770 in Warren, Mass. and died at Berkshire, Delaware Co., Ohio, 25 July 1816. He married ELIZABETH “BETSY” LYND (intention filed 8 Feb. 1791). She was born 2 Feb. 1768 in Spencer, Mass. and died 5 Sept. 1823 in Sudbury, Ohio.

In 1798, Thomas moved from Herkimer County, N.Y. to Lenox, Mass. where he farmed for six years. In 1803, he traveled to Detroit and Cincinnati in search of opportunities in the new territories. In 1804, inspired by Col. Moses Byxbe’s promises, the family took the long overland trek to Byxbe’s land holdings in Delaware Co., Ohio. The pioneers built their own roads for the last part of the trip to a point fifteen miles north of Worthington. They were joined by nine other families—including four others from Berkshire County—and it was named the Berkshire Settlement. Thomas was a farmer and also ran a tavern. He was a veteran of the War of 1812 where he attained the rank of Major.

Children, surname *Brown*:

5. i. ELAM⁵, b. 10 June 1797.
 - ii. CHAUNCEY, b. 4 Aug. 1799, in Lenox; m. ADALINE GORHAM in Illinois.
6. iii. Col. THOMAS J., JR., b. 1801.
 - iv. MINERVA, b. ca. 1805 at Sudbury, Ohio; m. REUBEN R. HALE
 - v. SOPHORNIA, m. DAVID PRINCE, before 1825.
 - vi. ELIZA, m. LAWRENCE MYERS, before 1825.
 - vii. DELIA, b. at Berkshire, Ohio, 18 May 1812; m. SAMUEL PECK.

5. **ELAM⁵ BROWN**, (*Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in Herkimer Co., N.Y., 10 June 1797 and died at his home at Lafayette, Cal., 10 Aug. 1889. He is buried in the family plot in the Martinez Cemetery. He married, first, in Greene County, Ill., 10 Jan. 1823, SARAH ALLEN, daughter of Thomas Allen. She died sometime after 1840 in Platte County, Mo. He married, second, at the Santa Clara Mission, 1 July 1847, Mrs. MARGARET ALLEN, her second marriage also. She was born about 1795 and died in 1884.

Elam was inured at an early age to the hardships of pioneer life, traveling at the age of seven to the outermost regions of the nation. With his father's death in 1816 he became the caretaker of the family.

Three years later, upon achieving the age of 21, he set out on foot from Ohio to the town of St. Louis and worked for a winter rafting on the Mississippi River. Not achieving the success to which he aspired, he set out in company with Charles Gregory to Madison Co., Ill. and spent 1819 farming shares there. Then he traveled north along Apple Creek for fifty miles to what would someday become Greene County, where he farmed for three years. While he was there, he met and married his first wife. In 1823, he settled on a farm about ten miles west of Jacksonville, Morgan Co., where he lived until 1836, excluding the summers of 1826 and 1827 when he worked in the lead mines of Wisconsin.

In 1836, the U.S. acquired a tract of land from the natives known as the Platte Purchase and in the fall of that year, Elam Brown and his family settled on a farm of 160 acres near the new town of Weston. It was there that he lost his first wife.

In 1846 a group of fourteen families decided to cross the great central plains to the fertile valleys of California. He sold his farm and traveled back to Ohio to bid farewell to his remaining family and friends. Returning to Platte Co., he was elected captain of the emigrant company and on 1 May 1846, their sixteen wagons crossed the Missouri River at St. Joseph.

At the South Platte River, they experienced their first disaster when their cattle stampeded, presumably frightened by buffalo. In all, 120 head of cattle including 62 oxen were lost and the party was delayed a week while they tried to recover them. After purchasing new cattle from other trains, they continued on. Despite another cattle stampede and an epidemic of disease, they reached Fort Bridger, the turn-off to California.

By this time his son Warren was so sick with typhoid he could no longer travel. It was already getting late in the season, so the young man was left behind in Fort Bridger with another man to care for him while the rest of the train continued on. The typhoid continued to spread, at one time afflicting half the company. They persevered and crossed the Sierra pass with nine women taking over the driving work.

On 10 Oct. 1846, they arrived at Johnson's Ranch, the first American address on the emigrant's trail. From there they went to Sutter's Fort and, after considering the unstable political situation, determined to continue on to Santa Clara Mission.

There were already thirty families at the Mission, protected by fifteen men. Shortly after his arrival, a volunteer company was formed under Fremont and Joseph Aram became its leader. Brown served in Aram's company, assigned to guard the Mission.

Discouragements have seldom crossed my path. But allow me to relate one instance. While on guard, one cold rainy night in Santa Clara during that memorable week of the siege, expecting every moment that the Spaniards would charge in from the north or south; and to make the surroundings more gloomy the Mission Indians were howling over a dead comrade, and as many dogs as Indians were engaged in the howling. Amid all that there came into my mind this thought: I had committed an error that had involved my children as well as myself. I had brought them from a good home and a land of safety; had left a sick son at Fort Bridger, doubting his recovery; had a son and a daughter in the Mission, likely to be butchered by the Spaniards. The fate of Travis and Fanning came fresh in my mind. For half an hour or more I was a homesick man, strolling up and down the muddy streets of Santa Clara.

Again, they survived and in 1847 Elam was sawing lumber in the San Antonio redwoods and carting it to the San Antonio landing for shipment across the bay to San Francisco. In that year, he was nominated for the proposed legislative council.

About that time, William A. Leidesdorff of Yerba Buena came into possession of the Rancho Acalanes (through the default of a loan to Candelario Valencia, the original grantee) and immediately put it up for sale. Elam Brown purchased the rancho along with a herd of 300 cows, selling a tenth to Nathaniel Jones a short time later for \$100. After two false starts, the Browns settled in a redwood house at the southwest corner of Hough Avenue and Lafayette Creek. Later, the rancho was surveyed and found to comprise 3328.95 acres.

The Browns were only the second American family to settle in Contra Costa County, after the family of Nathaniel Jones. The nearest Americans were far south in San Jose.

I was inquired of by kind friends in San Jose why I settled in that lonesome place; why did I not settle there in that pleasant valley among white people? The question was urgently asked by good neighbors in Missouri, when I was about to start across the plains. Again back in Illinois, when about to leave a pleasant home for the wilds

of the Platte Purchase. Again back in Ohio, in 1846, when I went back to the place of my youthful days. I had four sisters, with families there. There, too, in the graveyards, the white tombstones marked the resting place of father, mother and brother. There, too, with all those near and dear associations, I was urgently and earnestly entreated, as I had sold my farm in Missouri, to come and spend the remainder of my life with old friends and associates. All did not change me from my destined Western course. Again, in the most emphatic manner, was the question asked on the dreary night in the streets of Santa Clara. The answer, why, I have never found, and I believe the answer has not and never will be solved. I freely acknowledge my incapacity to solve it.

In 1849, he represented San Jose at the Constitutional Convention. He went on to serve on the first two state legislatures. Thereafter, he retired from civil service and returned to farming to the end of his days.
[SLO,PR,CEN]

Amid all the various surroundings and positions through life, I have never struck or been struck; never run for or from man or boy. I have had but few lawsuits or contentions. I have never bet a cent on a race or cards, and never dealt in stocks. I was never intoxicated by liquor, although I was raised in a tavern; but I have never dealt in the article since. I have never cheated a man knowingly out of a dollar; but the reverse has occasionally occurred. I do not intend this as a boast, but as an acknowledgement of the blessing bestowed on me through a long life by my good and benevolent Creator.

Children* by first wife, surname *Brown*:

7. i. THOMAS ALLEN⁶, b. Greene Co., Ill., 16 Oct. 1823.
 8. ii. WARREN J., b. Greene Co., Ill., 19 June 1826.
 9. iii. MARGELINE, b. ca. 1829
 10. iv. LAWRENCE M., b. ca. 1833
6. Col. **THOMAS J.⁶ BROWN**, (*Elam⁵, Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*) was born at Lenox, Mass., 1801 and died in Berkshire, Ohio, 2 Sept. 1831 where he moved as a child. He married PHILENA JANE _____ who died 3 Oct. 1831 at the age of 27.

* Josiah Brown, b. c. 1834 in Missouri, is mentioned as son of the Elam Brown in the 1880 Census in error. He is probably Josiah Allen and a son of Margaret Allen from her first marriage. He may have been adopted by Elam Brown and taken that surname.

Children (incomplete?), surname *Brown*,

i. LEONORA S.⁷, b. ca. 1826, d. 7 Nov. 1848; m. H. B. MYERS.

ii. MARIE ELBERTINE, b. 23 Oct. 1829, d. 30 Jan. 1830.

7. **THOMAS ALLEN⁶ BROWN**, (*Elam⁵, Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*), was born in Greene Co., Illinois, 16 Oct. 1823 and died at Martinez, Cal., 5 Aug. 1889. He married, 1851, CAROLINE CAMERON.

He emigrated overland to Oregon in May of 1843, arriving in Willamette Falls in the fall. He resided most of the time in Oregon City where he worked as a surveyor and civil engineer. He surveyed several new townsites in Oregon, including Portland.

He visited his family in California in 1847 and returned to Oregon to close up his business. He traveled south again by sea, and due to bad weather, did not arrive in California again until late fall of 1848. After wintering in San Jose, he went to the gold mines for the first few months of 1849. Returning that summer, he finally settled in Martinez and opened a mercantile business for a short time with his brother Warren and brother-in-law, Napoleon B. Smith. He was appointed Alcalde of the district by the governor until the new county government was organized. In 1852, he became the first county clerk.

He began studying law in 1851 and was admitted to law practice in 1855. He served as county judge from 1856 to 1864 and 1874 to 1880, during which time he confined his legal activities to the district, superior and federal courts.

Thomas Brown was an assemblyman 1865-68 and as Republican candidate to the U.S. Senate in 1867, lost to Eugene Casserby. He served eight years as judge of the Superior Court of Contra Costa County, beginning in 1880. [PR,CEN52,SLO]

Children, surname *Brown*,

i. ELAM C.⁷, b. ca. 1853, d. at Martinez, 22 June 1926.

ii. WALLACE, b. ca. 1855

iii. BYRON, b. ca. 1859

8. **WARREN J.⁶ BROWN**, (*Elam⁵, Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*), born 19 June 1826 near Jacksonville, Morgan Co. Illinois and died in 1889. He married, in 1854, LAURA A. HASTINGS, daughter of Samuel Hastings and niece of **Lansford W. Hastings**.

He started the journey to California with his father in 1846, but fell victim to typhoid fever and was left behind at Fort Bridger, the cutoff point from the Oregon Trail. He recovered and left Fort Bridger on October 12 following the more heavily traveled trail to Oregon, arriving in Portland on 9 Dec. 1846. He worked as a cooper until September of 1847 when he joined his family in the San Antonio redwoods in California.

Upon hearing of the discovery of gold, he went immediately to the mines and had some success. He returned to the mines again the following year before settling in Martinez with his brothers.

He was a storekeeper in Martinez from 1849 to 1850 in partnership with his brother Thomas and brother-in-law, Napoleon Smith. He lived in Martinez until 1871, serving as county surveyor, assemblyman, and sheriff.

In 1875 Warren and Laura lived on a farm adjacent to the old Acalanes rancho in Lafayette. They were childless; however, in 1860, when Laura's uncle Lansford abandoned his children, they adopted the infant Henry Toler Hastings, who took the Brown surname upon reaching adulthood. [*CEN52,CEN60,CEN80,PR*]

9. **MARGELINE⁶ BROWN**, (*Elam⁵, Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*), born circa 1829, married at the Santa Clara Mission, 18 April 1847, NAPOLEON B. "BONY" SMITH, a native of Ohio and fur trader who came to California in 1846 with the Hastings party.

Smith worked for a while for Sutter and then became a lumberman in the San Antonio redwoods. In 1848-49, he went to the gold mines and returned to keep a store in Mission San Jose. For a while in 1849, he served as sub-prefect there. Later he engaged in trade at Martinez with his brothers-in-law, served as county assessor, and was elected to the state legislature in 1852. From 1857 to 1885, he lived on a rancho in Martinez. He died at the Veterans Hospital in Napa. [*PR*]

Children, surname *Smith*,

- i. FRANCIS⁷, b. Jan. 1848, the first American child born in Contra Costa County.
- ii. LAWRENCE M., b. ca. 1850
- iii. SARAH C., b. ca. 1852
- iv. LOUIS N., b. ca. 1854
- v. ELLEN J., b. ca. 1857
- vi. ELAM, b. ca. 1860
- vii. TIMOTHY S., b. ca. 1862
- viii. WARREN C., b. ca. 1865

10. **LAWRENCE M.⁶ BROWN**, (*Elam⁵, Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*), born about 1833 in Morgan Co., Ill. and died in Contra Costa County on 1 Aug. 1877.

He also came to California via the Oregon route. He probably stayed at Fort Bridger with his sick brother and followed him to Oregon. [CEN52,PR]

Children, surname *Brown*,

- 11. i. EUGENE C.⁷, b. Dec. 1857
- ii. CORNELIUS Y., b. ca. 1861

11. **EUGENE C.⁷ BROWN**, (*Lawrence M.⁶, Elam⁵, Thomas⁴, William S.³, James², James¹*) was born Dec. 1857, and married BLANCHE D. CULLOM of Texas (born July 1865).

Child, surname *Brown*,

- i. CORNELIUS C.⁸, b. Mar. 1885

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H. H. Lammick

The Family of

Kimball Hale Dimmick

CHAIRMAN OF THE CONVENTION

1. **THOMAS¹ DIMMICK** married 12 March 1761 at the Canterbury Conn. Congregational Church, SIBIL PAINE. Widow Dimmick is shown in 1790 at Canterbury with two males under 16 and four other females. It is probable that Thomas was descended from the immigrant ancestor Edward Dimmick, who came to America in 1640 and had a large number of descendants in Barnstable, Mass. and Coventry, Conn.

Children (incomplete), surname *Dimmick*,

- i. JOSEPH², b. ca. 1774, m. POLLY _____, b. Mass. ca. 1783. They had dau., Mary, b. 1825 in N.Y. He is believed to have been the brother of David solely because he was living near David in 1850 at Plymouth, N.Y. and he was also born in Connecticut.

- 2. ii. DAVID D., b. ca. 1775

2. **DAVID D.² DIMMICK**, (*Thomas¹*) was born circa 1776, married SALLY BANCROFT, daughter of Edmond Bancroft. She was born about 1780 in Mass. They resided at Ridgefield, Litchfield and Canterbury, Conn. and Plymouth, N.Y. According to *AWR*, David's wife was Marcy Hale, of Berkshire Co., and niece of the patriot, Nathan Hale. Marcy Hale may, in fact, have been the wife of Edmond Bancroft and Sally's mother.

Children, surname *Dimmick*:

- 3. i. EDMOND BANCROFT³, b. ca. 1808, N.Y., m. RHOANNA ADAMS
- 4. ii. KIMBALL HALE, b. Plymouth, N.Y., 5 Aug. 1812, m. SARAH HOLCOMB
- iii. ERASTUS, b. ca. 1815, N.Y., m. MARY _____
- iv. FRANCIS E., b. ca. 1819
- v. SALLY A., b. ca. 1822

3. Colonel **EDMOND BANCROFT³ DIMMICK**, (*David², Thomas¹*) was born circa 1808 and died 1868. He married in the spring of 1833,

RHOANNA ADAMS, born at Plymouth, N.Y., 23 June 1812 and died at Amherst, Ohio, 14 Oct. 1878, daughter of Col. Zadek Adams.

Children, surname *Dimmick*,

- i. SARAH ANN⁴, b. ca. 1835, m. ALBERT ALDRICH.
- ii. MARY A., b. ca. 1844, m. R. J. BASTAD of Ohio.

4. **KIMBALL HALE³ DIMMICK**, (*David², Thomas¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Plymouth, N.Y., 5 Aug. 1812 and died at Los Angeles, 8, 11, or 12 Sept. 1861. He married 18 Sept. 1843, SARAH HOLCOMB, daughter of Charles Holcomb. She married, second, 8 Dec. 1869, Madison House Webster, a carpenter and son of John and Thankful (Robbards) Webster. Madison Webster was born 21 Apr. 1812 and died at Hamilton, N.Y., 1 Oct. 1887. Sarah was still living in 1891 in Poolville, N.Y.

Dimmick was a Brigadier General in the N.Y. militia. A licensed attorney, he saw Stevenson's expedition to California as a financial opportunity. He was appointed captain of Co. K and arrived with the regiment at Yerba Buena on the *Loo Choo*, on 7 March 1847. A year later, he recalled the trip around the Horn in a letter to his wife:

I was tossed about upon the heaving bosom of the troubled Sea, South West of Cape Horn and the winds were in a frolic. The white foaming billows of the deep were lashed into a fury and in "anger" lifted on high. Our vessel, like a thing of life, skipped and danced from wave to wave – ballancing, reeling and waltzing to the music of the whistling storm and the convulsive roar of the elements.... It was the most frightful day we saw at Sea. Before noon the Mizzen yards were broke to splinters. Before the sun had set the main top sail under double reef was all the sail the ship could carry was torn to strings.

The trip took him away from his wife and family and his letters to home show his extreme loneliness. At first, he did not like the people of California—Mexicans, natives and Americans alike—and regarded them as lazy and semi-barbaric. Yet, apart from a short trip to the East in 1850, he was fated to spend the rest of his life in California. Despite his longing letters, Sarah never came.

Following his discharge from the Regiment, he went to the Sierras and did some mining and served as local judge. He was elected *alcalde* of

San Jose serving under Spanish common law. It was a difficult time. At Christmas of 1849, he wrote:

...near one third of the officers of my regiment who came to California with me have died here, many of whom seemed to me as a brother. During the last year near a dozen of My company have died and in San Francisco and Sacramento City Numbers of persons die daily through exposure and want, Houses are scarce and the poor are wholly unable to procure a shelter...

He was active in the movement for a Constitutional Convention and was elected chairman at the first meeting. He was a vocal participant throughout the proceedings. Despite his prejudices, he stood for the rights of Californians in the new state, though he wanted the natives to go through naturalization before obtaining the right to vote. He spoke against **Morton McCarver's** motion to exclude Black Americans from the state and in favor of property rights for women. He opposed legalized gambling and allowing banks to print currency. He argued successfully to have the capital of the new state established at San Jose where he owned land that would be used for the purpose. [JRB]

In December of 1849 he had the honor of swearing in the first State Legislature.

Upon hearing of the death of his mother in 1849, he resigned from his office and set about liquidating his real estate holdings. At this time, he estimated his worth at between fifty and one hundred thousand dollars. But he was never able to realize his fortune and on returning to California in 1851, he wrote angrily to his wife, "I have been swindled, robbed of a fortune... California is a curse to the world."

After a few months, he was offered a job as District Attorney for Los Angeles County with a salary of \$1,500 per year. Too honest to accept bribes, he remained in debt and could send little money home to his wife. By 1855 he was County Judge. By 1860 he was looking forward to a bright future as the southern sympathizers had been defeated and were leaving the state. But he died suddenly at the age of 50 shortly after being appointed U.S. District Attorney for Southern California by President Lincoln. [OGDEN]

Children, surname *Dimmick*:

- i. a daughter, d. young

- 5. ii. CHARLES HOLCOMB⁴, b. 28 March 1846, Norwich, N.Y.
- iii. FRANCES AUGUSTA, b. ca. 1847, d. before 1850 while his father was in California.
- 6. iv. FRANK HOLCOMB, b. 4 Oct. 1851, N.Y.

5. **CHARLES HOLCOMB⁴ DIMMICK**, (*Kimball³, David², Thomas¹*) was born at Norwich N.Y. ; 28 March 1846 and died at Binghamton, N.Y., 28 Feb. 1911. He married 1) 24 Nov. 1864, MARY ELIZABETH PANGBURN who was born at Johnstown, Penn., 27 June 1844 and died at Stuyvesant, N.Y. He married 2) ISABEL S. _____. He was a jeweler with a shop on Court St. in Binghamton, a member of the Binghamton Paid Fire Dept., and a member of Otseningo Lodge, F. & A. M.

Children, surname *Dimmick*:

- i. J. K.⁵, b. 10 Dec. 1865, d. ca. 1936.
- ii. MYRTLE EVELYN, b. ca. 1867, d. aged 5 yrs, 15 days.
- 7. iii. GRACE PAULINE, b. 18 Feb. 1869.
- iv. a daughter
- v. CHARLES MERTELLO, b. 19 Aug. 1872, d at Binghamton, N.Y., 25 Dec. 1912.
- vi. WILLIAM H., b. 12 Nov. 1881, d. at Scranton, Penn., 26 Dec. 1906 of typhoid [ST].
He m. 27 June 1906, JULIA A. HAMM who d. 26 Dec. 1906. They res. Scranton, Penn. He was chief of the optical dept. for Levy Bros. Wholesale Jewelers.

6. **FRANK HOLCOMB⁴ DIMMICK**, (*Kimball³, David², Thomas¹*) was born 4 Oct. 1851 and died 12 Feb. 1902. He married at Smyrna, N.Y., 15 Dec. 1874 SARAH ELIZABETH MUNSON born 14 June 1848 at Smyrna, N.Y. and died there 29 Oct. 1879, daughter of Albert and Hannah (Merrill) Munson. He married, secondly, on 11 Jan. 1881, CARRIE JANE KARR, born 21 Sept. 1856, died at Shelburne, N.Y., 10 July 1918, daughter of Huse and Ruth H. (Gavit) Karr.

Children, surname *Dimmick*:

- i. ALBERT F.⁵, b. Smyrna, N.Y., Sept. 1879.
- ii. FRANK HUSE, b. Norwich, N.Y., 29 Aug. 1882; d. at Mt. Vernon, N.Y., 22 July 1955; m. 1) possibly in California, but this marriage was terminated; 2) 10 Jan. 1918, IRENE E. EDWARDS, b. 26 Dec. 1886, d. at Mt. Vernon, 12 Sept. 1945 dau. of Edward Griffith Edwards. No children. Optometrist. Served in the U. S. Army.

7. **GRACE⁵ DIMMICK**, (*Charles⁴, Kimball³, David², Thomas¹*) was born 18 Feb. 1869 and died 18 March 1845. She married 1) **HENRY J. SCHAD**, who died 30 March 1845, son of Henry and Katherine Schad. They resided at Johnstown, Penn. He was a manager at the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. in 1912 and at the Emmerling Brewing Co. in 1914. She married 2) _____.

Child, surname *Schad*:

8. i. **ROBERT DIMMICK⁶**, 4 March 1893, m. **LILLIAN MAE HILDEBRAND**.

8. **ROBERT DIMMICK⁶ SCHAD** was born at Binghamton, 4 March 1893 and married, 10 June 1915, **LILLIAN MAE HILDEBRAND**, born 20 Sept. 1895. They resided at Columbus, Ohio where he worked for the Cambria Steel Co.

Child, surname *Schad*:

i. **ROBERT DIMMICK, JR.**, b. 31 March 1916, d. 28 March 1945 at Luzon Island, Philippines in action in World War II; m. **RUTH SAMUELS**, b. 8 May 1917. No ch.

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Julian Hanks

The Family of Julian Hanks

1. **BENJAMIN¹ HANKS**, was born in England circa 1665 and died at Easton, Mass., 9 Jan 1755. He married 1) in England, ABIGAIL _____, who died at Pembroke, Mass. 6 Sept. 1726. He married 2) at Pembroke, 23 Mar. 1727, MARY (_____) RIPLEY, widow of William Ripley; she died at Easton, 21 Oct. 1760, aged 83 years.

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- i. ABIGAIL², b. 8 June 1701
2. ii. BENJAMIN, b. 16 July 1702
- iii. WILLIAM, b. 11 Feb. 1703/4
- iv. NATHANIEL, b. 15 Apr. 1704
- v. ANNAH, b. 14 Nov. 1706; m. JOHN NORRIS
- vi. MARY, b. 14 Feb. 1707/8; may have m. JOHN SIMMONS
- vii. JOHN, b. 22 Oct. 1709; m. MARY DELANO
- viii. ELIZABETH, b. 5 Mar. 1711; m. NEHEMIAH PEARCE
- ix. RACHEL, b. 2 May 1712; m. JAMES BUMPAS
- x. JOANNAH, b. 9 Oct. 1713; m. BERIAH CURTIS
- xi. JAMES, b. 24 Feb. 1714/15; m. ABIGAIL PHILLIPS
- xii. JACOB, b. ca. 1717; m. SARAH BRUCE

2. **BENJAMIN² HANKS** (*Benjamin¹*), of Pembroke and Plymouth, Mass. and Mansfield, Conn., yeoman, was born 16 July 1702 in that part of Duxbury, Mass. which was established in 1712 as the town of Pembroke; he died at Mansfield, Conn., 10 Jan. 1787. He married at Marshfield, Mass., 23 Apr. 1724, MARY WHITE, born, probably at Plymouth about 1704, daughter of Richard and Catherine White of Plymouth. The widowed Catherine White came to Mansfield to live with her daughter and died there leaving a large estate.

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- i. ISAAC³, b. 1 June 1725; d. young
- ii. ABIGAIL, b. 28 Aug. 1726; d. at Mansfield 10 Jan. 1780
- iii. WILLIAM, b. 23 Oct. 1728; m. HANNAH SARGENT
- iv. JOHN, b. 5 Oct. 1730; m. 1) TABITHA HALL, 2) MARTHA HUNTINGTON
- v. RICHARD WHITE, b. 8 Nov. 1734; m. HANNAH BARROWS
- 3. vi. URIAH, b. 4 May 1736
- vii. BENJAMIN, b. 20 Aug. 1738; m. RUTH BREWSTER
- viii. MARY, b. 7 June 1741; m. GERSHOM HALL
- ix. SILAS, b. 20 May 1744; m. SARAH WEBBER

3. **URIAH³ HANKS** (*Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), of Mansfield, Conn., farmer, blacksmith, carpenter, gunsmith, clock maker, etc., was born at Plymouth, Mass., 4 May 1736 and died at Mansfield, 4 July 1809. He married at Mansfield, 20 Mar. 1755, IRENE CASE, daughter of Benjamin Case. He was a Presbyterian until driven into opposition with the local church, then a member of a small, dissenting church. During the revolution when it was difficult to obtain knitting needles, fishhooks, hog rings and the like, he built the first wire-drawing machine in America.

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- 4. i. BENJAMIN⁴, b. 29 Oct. 1755
- ii. IRENE (twin), b. 28 Dec. 1757; m. ELISHA CRANE
- iii. ZILPHA (twin), b. 28 Dec. 1757; d. 19 Mar. 1762
- iv. URIAH, b. 19 Oct. 1760; m. SARAH KEENEY
- v. LURANCY, b. 26 Feb. 1764; m. WILLIAM DEXTER
- vi. PHILENA, b. 4 Feb. 1765; m. ELISHA LYON
- vii. LIBBEUS, b. 20 Oct. 1771, d. 7 Sept. 1775
- viii. ALPHEUS, b. 7 Oct. 1777; m. ZERVIAH FREEMAN
- ix. MARILLA, m. REUBEN CROSS
- x. RODNEY, b. 4 Jan. 1782; m. OLIVE FREEMAN

4. Col. **BENJAMIN⁴ HANKS** (*Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*) of Norwich, Litchfield and Mansfield, Conn., farmer, clock maker, founder of bells and cannon, was born at Mansfield 29 Oct. 1755, and died at West Troy, N.Y., 15 Dec. 1824. He married at Windham, Conn., about 1775, ALICE HOVEY, who was born at Mansfield 15 Dec. 1754 and died at Troy, N.Y. She was a daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Slap) Hovey.

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- i. SOPHIA⁵, b. Dec. 1776; m. REV. NATHAN BARROWS
- ii. FANNY, b. 28 July 1778; m. TERTIUS FREEMAN
- 5. iii. HORACE, b. at Mansfield 1 Nov. 1780
- iv. TRUMAN, b. 11 June 1782; m. REBECCA FREEMAN
- v. JULIUS, b. 1784; m. OLIVE MCCALL
- vi. CHARLOTTE, b. 1788; m. DR. RICHARD BOUTON
- vii. HORATIO (twin), b. Oct. 1790; m. JERUSHA FREEMAN
- viii. MARCIA (twin), b. Oct. 1790; m. ISAAC C. OOTHOUT

5. **HORACE⁵ HANKS** (*Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), of Mansfield, Conn., inventor and silk manufacturer, was born at Mansfield, 1 Nov. 1780, and died there 19 May 1850. He married at Mansfield, 11 Mar. 1802, SOPHIA WRIGHT, daughter of Eleazar and Anna (Marsh) Wright. She was born at Mansfield, 28 Sept. 1782, died there 2 Jan. 1850.

About 1800, he invented the double wheel-head for the purpose of spinning silk. He was a lover of music and could play the fiddle, fife, flute, hautboy, “clarionette” drums, but “could not play the trumpet as well as his father.”

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- i. SEREPTA⁶, b. 17 Jan. 1804, d. unm. at Mansfield
- ii. DWIGHT, b. 16 Sept. 1805, d. 5 Dec. 1829 aboard ship in the Mediterranean Sea
- iii. LUCIUS, b. 28 Aug. 1807, d. unm. 27 March 1887
- 6. iv. WILLARD M., b. 3 Aug. 1809

- v. STEDMAN WRIGHT, b. 6 or 11 Sep. 1811 at Coventry, Conn.; m. 1) REBECCA GAY, 2) SARAH HUMPHREY HALE
- vi. EMILY, b. 22 June 1820, d. unm.
- vii. ANN JEMIMA, b. 11 Apr. 1822, d.s.p.; m. EDWIN A. BARROWS
- viii. WEALTHY ELIZABETH, b. 14 July 1825; m. VICTORY C. HART

6. **WILLARD⁶ HANKS**, a.k.a. Julian Hanks (*Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Mansfield, Conn., 3 Aug. 1809. He is said to have died at sea off the coast of Mexico. He married at Mireflores, Lower California, in 1838 or 1839, ISABEL MONTANE*, probably of La Paz, Mexico.

Captain Hanks is said to have brought the first whaling vessel, the *Maria Teresa*, to California, landing in San Francisco in 1831. He made trips back and forth to the western ports of Mexico. He used Mexican mahogany and other woods in building his own ship. He settled in San Jose in 1846. [BAN]

In 1851, he was involved in a lawsuit over title to the Rancho San Juan Bautista. He claimed ownership by virtue of "a grant, lease or loan" from John Barton, Alcalde of San Jose on 30 Aug. 1847. The plaintiffs claimed the property through purchase from Augustin Narvaez who had been granted the tract by then-Governor Manuel Micheltorena on 30 Mar. 1844. [VC]

In 1867, Hanks is supposed to have taken a ship loaded with guns and ammunition and steamed south to give aid to Maximillian, the French-imposed Emperor of Mexico. He never returned. It is assumed that the boat was sunk by the British. [SJN]

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- 7. i. SOPHIE⁷, b. 1839 in Lower California
- 8. ii. REBECCA A., b. 1842 in L.C.
- 9. iii. SAMUEL W., b. ca. 1844 in L.C.
- 10. iv. Anitte, (*Anne*)

* Some sources give the surname as Montas or Montez or Montoya.

- 11. v. ANA EMILIA, (*Emily*) b. 26 Aug. 1850
 - vi. DWIGHT, of Phoenix, Arizona. No children.
 - vii. ISABEL, d. by 1954.

12.viii. GERTRUDE, b. ca. 1857

7. **SOPHIE⁷ HANKS** (*Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), was born in 1839 in Lower California and appears to have died by 1880. She married JOHN Q. PEARL and lived in San Jose.

Children, surname *Pearl*, [CEN80,CEN00]

- i. LIZZIE⁸, b. Nov. 1861
- 13. ii. SOPHIE, b. May 1864
 - iii. JAMES H., b. Apr. 1866, a San Francisco police officer
 - iv. FANNIE, b. ca. 1869
 - v. MATILDA, b. ca. 1872
 - iv. GRACE, b. ca. 1875; m. WALTER O'BRIEN, a candy manufacturer at Santa Cruz.

8. **REBECCA⁷ HANKS** (*Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), was born 1842 in Lower California. She married at San Jose del Cabo, 3 June 1863, MANUEL GALINDO, son of Manuel and Gregoria (Gamón) Galindo. They lived at San Jose.

Children, surname *Galindo*,

- i. MINNIE MARIA⁸, a school teacher.
- 14. ii. TERESA
 - iii. GREGORIO, b. at San Jose del Cabo, 12 March 1865.

9. **SAMUEL W.⁷ HANKS** (*Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), was born in June of 1843 in Lower California. He married at the 1st Baptist Church of San Jose, 20 Jan. 1866, MATILDA A. DOUGLAS. She was born about 1839 and died at San Francisco, 22 June 1915.

Children, surname *Hanks*,

- i. ANNIE⁸, b. Feb. 1868; m. JOHN H. GAGLIARDO

- ii. ALBERT S., b. ca. 1869
- iii. SAMUEL JESSE, b. 17 June 1873 [1874 — *CEN00*]
- iv. DOUGLAS G. (*Douglas Dwight*) b. July 1876; d. 1953, unmarried. Horseshoer.
- v. FREDERICK C., b. July 1878; d. ca. 1950 at San Jose. He res. at Oakland and was a deputy sheriff and guard at a jail farm. No children.
- vi. DELPHINE C., b. May 1884; res. Redwood City and San Francisco. Had two step-daughters.
- vii. ROBERT LOUIS, b. Oct. 1885; d. ca. 1910 at San Jose.

10. **ANNE⁷ HANKS** (*Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), married on 21 Nov. 1862, THOMAS M. FISHER (see *Fisher Family*, below).

Children, surname *Fisher* [*HSC*],

- i. ISABEL⁸, b. 13 Feb. 1864
- ii. FANNY, b. 3 Apr. 1868
- iii. THOMAS, b. 4 May 1870
- iv. DANIEL, b. 18 Feb. 1872
- v. CHARLES, b. 29 May 1874
- vi. JULIA A., b. 24 Feb. 1877, d. 28 Feb. 1877 [*OHC*]
- vii. EVERETT, b. 11 Oct. 1878
- viii. WILLIAM J., *Ted*, res. Edenvale

11. **EMILY⁷ HANKS** (*Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), was born at San Jose, 25 or 26 Aug. 1850, baptized 31 Oct. 1850. She married at San Jose, 26 March 1883, J. B. STORMAN, who was born circa 1850 in N.Y. They lived in Sonora, Mexico. [*ES,ASC*]

Children, surname *Storman*,

- i. ANITA⁸, b. Nov. 1883; m. _____ CARTER. She was an employee of the Southern Pacific Railroad. She lived at the Hotel Cecil at Los Angeles from 1942-1960.
- ii. TULITA, b. Dec. 1887; an employee of the Los Angeles School Dept.

12. **GERTRUDE⁷ HANKS** (*Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), married FIACRO FISHER (see *Fisher Family*,

below), a foreman at the farm of Dan Murphy. Fiacro engaged in ranching for himself on his old family homestead, giving considerable attention to stockraising. In 1877, he went to Nevada to take charge of the ranches of Mr. Murphy and Mr. Hill and remained in their employ as general manager until 1894. After that, he turned his attention again to the cultivation of his own property, which consisted of 300 acres located on the Monterey and Coyote roads, and 1000 acres in valley land.

Children, surname *Fisher*,

- i. ROBERT D.⁸, b. 20 Dec. 1872
- ii. LAURA, b. 1879; m. WILLIAM STRAUB (died 1956) and res. Piedmont.
- iii. CHESTER F., [Charles — *CEN00*] b. 1881
- iv. NEVADA L., (*Neva*), b. Nevada, ca. 1884.
- v. GERTRUDE A., b. ca. 1886
- vi. GEORGE J., b. ca. 1888
- 15. vii. FIACRO JULIAN, b. ca. 1891

13. **SOPHIA⁸ PEARL** (*Sophie HANKS⁷, Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), born in May 1864; and died circa 1898. He married _____ PRATT. [*CEN00*]

Child, surname *Pratt*,

- i. GERALDINE⁹, b. Apr. 1897

14. **TERESA⁸ GALINDO** (*Rebecca HANKS⁷, Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), married ED WESTON, a butcher at Palo Alto.

Children, surname *Weston*,

- i. HOWARD⁹, m. Lillian _____; res. Palo Alto.
- ii. AURELIA
- iii. WELTHA

15. **FIACRO JULIAN⁸ FISHER** (*Gertrude Hanks⁷, Julian⁶, Horace⁵, Benjamin⁴, Uriah³, Benjamin², Benjamin¹*), married TERESA FAHEY, a native of California, born near Wright Station.

He began his education in the public schools of San Jose and then entered Santa Clara College, continuing his studies for two years, then finished his education in the San Jose high school. He then settled on the old home place at Coyote and engaged in farming. In 1917 he purchased an orchard of 20 acres at Cupertino, and sold it in 1919. He bought an orchard of 22½ acres on the Casey Road that he devoted to raising prunes, being a member of the California Prune and Apricot Growers, Inc.

He served in World War I in the 347th U.S. Field Artillery. He trained at Camp Lewis, landed at Cherbourg, France, and trained at Bordeaux until being sent to the Verdun sector. After the armistice, he was with the Army of Occupation near Coblenz, until he came home in May of 1919. He was mustered out at the Presidio the same month and came home to his Cupertino ranch, which his wife had managed while he was overseas. [HSC]

Child, surname *Fisher*,

- i. WILLIAM STANTON⁹

The Fisher family

WILLIAM FISHER was baptized as JOSE GUILLERMO CECENÑA at San Jose del Cabo, 29 May 1830, as an adult anglo. [MAR] He died in 1850, aged 50. He married LIBERATA CECENÑA, who was born 6 Jan. 1818 in Mexico and died 4 Dec. 1905. She is buried in the Santa Clara Cemetery. She married Dr. V. H. Bull after the death of her first husband.

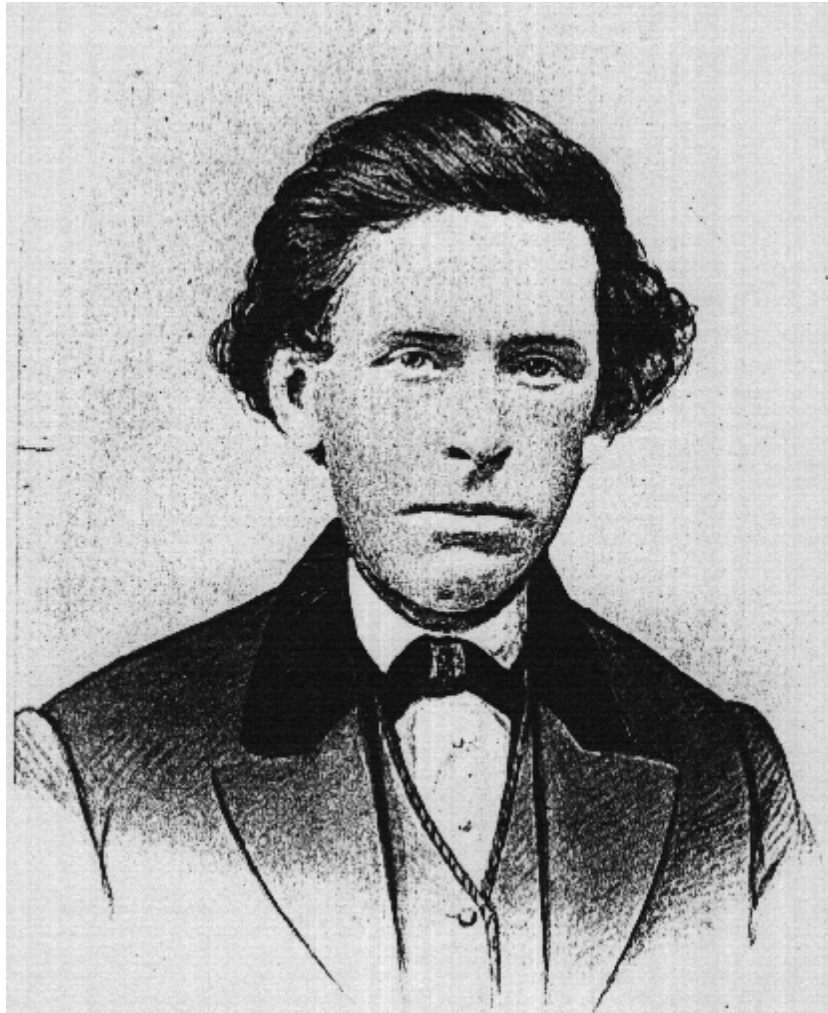
Children, surname *Fisher*,

- i. THOMAS N., a twin, b. 29 Oct. 1842, married ANNE HANKS (see #10).
- ii. CYPRIANO, a twin, b. 1 Nov. 1842 (*sic*), bp. 23 April 1843 at San Jose del Cabo. He m. MANUELA MAURIÑO, dau. of Jose Ma and Narcisa (Ferrer) Mauriño. They had four children.
- iii. WILLIAM, b. at San Jose del Cabo ca. 1844; d. there 4 Aug. 1879 at age 37. He m. ELIZA MOORE.

- iv. FIACRO C., b. at Burnett twp., Santa Clara County, 30 Aug. 1850; m. GERTRUDE HANKS (see #12).
- v. MARY, b. at Cabo San Lucas, Lower California, 26 Sept. 1836; d. at San Jose, 13 July 1909; m. 1) at San Jose, 7 Jan. 1851, DANIEL MURPHY; 2) MURPHY COLUMBET.
- vi. EULOGIA, b. ca. 1847; m. at San Jose, 10 Dec. 1865, DANIEL RATA.

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J. D. Hoppe

The Family of Jacob David Hoppe

1. **JACOB DAVID¹ HOPPE**, signer of the California Constitution, was born in Maryland, 13 or 15 Mar. 1815, and died at San Francisco, 17 Apr. 1853. He is buried in Oak Hill Cemetery at San Jose. His first wife died young and he married 2) **LUCY EWELL**, born 14 Dec. 1822 and died 18 Nov. 1900 at San Francisco. She was the daughter of Charles Ewell and Lucy Carter and the granddaughter of Major Charles Ewell, a member of Lafayette's staff in the Revolutionary War. Following the death of her husband, she married Charles A. Harper, 2 Aug. 1856. They were divorced by March 1861. [She is called "widow" in 1894. — *ed.*] He was a Mason, and a merchant in San Jose, Cal.

Mr. Dorman felt Jacob David Hoppe was probably the son of Ferdinand Folk Hoppe, born in Stuttgart, Germany and died 25 March 1819. Ferdinand married Catherine Stouffer and they lived first in Bauer's Church and later at Bachman's Valley in Carroll Co., Md. They are known to have had a son, J. Henry Hoppe, born in 1801. The fact that Jacob's eldest son, Jacob David Hoppe returned to Carroll Co. from California supports this. However, Jacob David could also have been the son of Justus and Ann (Wadsack) Hoppe of Baltimore. The census shows that Justus Hoppe had a male under 10 years old in 1820 whereas Ferdinand does not. Also, Jacob named his first son after himself and named his second son Justus. It is not unlikely that he would name his second son after his father. Conversely, the name Ferdinand never appears among Jacob's descendants.

Upon coming of age, Jacob David Hoppe left home and lived in Paducah, Kentucky for two years, where he married. He then pushed on to Lexington, Missouri where he lived until 1846 when he crossed the plains with his family to settle in San Francisco.

He commenced publication of a newspaper, the *Californian*. When he retired the paper the proprietors of the *Alta Californian* purchased his materials. He then moved to San Jose and remained there.

When gold was discovered in the Sierras, he led a party from Sutter's Fort to the American River, a short way down the mountain from Michigan Bluff. He spent a few months there in 1848, engaged in mining and made some profit.

Upon returning to San Jose, the firm of Hoppe, Hawkins & Co. kept a store in an adobe at the corner of Market and El Dorado, moving to the northeast corner of Market and Santa Clara in 1850. Jacob had become postmaster under the postal system established by the military authorities and the post office was set up in the rear of the store. He amassed some wealth through trade and real estate speculation but lost most of it by the time of his death through excessive generosity. He tried to build up San Jose and acted as surety on a number of loans which were defaulted and which he had to pay.

A curious story is told about Jacob Hoppe and his effect on the history of San Jose. When he was planning the move to a new location in 1850, he is supposed to have taken a fifty-cent piece from his pocket and tossed it into the air and said, "Heads, San Jose; tails, Santa Clara." The coin came down heads and the block was built in San Jose. It is said he was so popular in the local community that, if the coin had come up tails, the whole town would have moved to Santa Clara.

He was a passenger on the *Jenny Lind* on 11 Apr. 1853. On route from Alviso to San Francisco while passing the shores of Redwood City, the ship's boiler exploded, killing several immediately and fatally scalding many, including Jacob Hoppe. He lived for several days afterward in great pain before succumbing in a hospital in San Francisco. [HSJ]

Children, surname *Hoppe*, by first wife,

2. i. EMMA O.², b. ca. 1832
3. ii. JACOB DAVID, b. 30 Oct. 1834, Mo.

Children, by second wife,

4. iii. JUSTUS H. (*JESSE*), b. ca. 1842 at Lexington, Mo.
5. iv. EDWIN EWELL, b. 1844
6. v. MONROE CHARLES, b. ca. 1848, d. in the 1890's

- vi. ELLA S. or I., b. ca. 1851
- viii. JACOB D., b. ca. 1852, m. EVA L. FABER; glassworker, bartender, machinist. He resided in San Francisco.
- vii. WESLEY, died young

2. **EMMA O.² HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.¹*), born about 1832 in Missouri; she married 1) 13 Aug. 1854 at San Jose, SALOMON WATTERMANN [*SDU,SCP*], 2) THOMAS E. GRAY, (divorced), 3) _____ RILEY.

Children, surname *Riley*,

- 7. i. EMMA I.³
- 8. ii. WILLIAM C.

3. **JACOB DAVID² HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.¹*) was born in Maryland, 30 Oct. 1834, and died there 26 Feb. 1868; m. HANNAH REESE who was born 21 Feb. 1836 and died 1898. He came to California with his father but returned to Missouri later. He is not named as an heir in the estate of Jacob David Hoppe, Sr.

Children, surname *Hoppe*,

- 9. i. GEORGE EDWARD, b. Oct. 1856
- ii. WILLIAM T., b. 1861, d. 24 July 1880; said to have been a child prodigy, comparable to Thomas Chatterton, the boy-poet of England.
- iii. MARY HANNAH, b. Sept. 1863; d. unm. 1956 at Westminster, Md.
- 10. iv. LEWIS DAVID, b. 18 Feb. 1867

4. **JUSTUS H.² or JESSE HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.¹*) was born at Paducah, Kentucky (or Missouri?) 28 Feb. 1842 and died at Erie, Penn., July 1905. He married at Franklin, Penn., 4 March 1872, ANALIZA GLENN, daughter of William and Esther (Dickey) Glenn, who was born "Anna Eliza" at Sandy Lake, Penn., 30 Aug. 1849 and died at Elmhurst, Ill. 15 Dec. 1898.

Early in his adult life, he adopted the name Charles Baker. [*BOUD*]

Children, surname *Baker*, born at Erie, Penn.,

- 11. i. JENNIE³, b. 27 Apr. 1874

- ii. MAY ANNA, b. 27 Feb. 1885; m. 1) MONTE EDWARD ALLEN, b. 1884, son of William Allen. She m. 2) at Marble Collegiate Church in New York City, 6 Oct. 1928, JOHN W. BOUD and res. Beachwood, N.J. Three children.

5. **EDWIN EWELL² HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.¹*) was born at Lexington, Mo. in 1844, and had died, presumably at San Francisco, by 1909 as Ida O. Hoppe, widow, appears in the 1909 city directory, residing with Charles E. Hoppe. He married at Oakland, 15 May 1880, IDA WILHELMINA OTTILIA CALER, the daughter of Ottmar and Isabella Francisca (Coats) Caler. She was born at San Francisco in 1860 and died 26 Dec. 1931 in Napa. They lived in San Francisco. He was a glass blower at the San Francisco & Pacific Glass Works.

Children, surname *Hoppe*, born at S.F.,

- i. CHARLES EDWIN³, b. ca. 1883; m. there 10 July, 1912, CHRISTINA MONRO, b at Glasgow, Scotland ca. 1884. Charles was a glassworker.
- ii. NORMA OTTILIA, nurse, b. ca. 1886; m. 1) 1 Aug. 1912 at S.F., CLAUDE LOUIS DUVALL, 2) by 1931, EDGAR E. WENGLER.
- iii. JOHN WESLEY, b. ca. 1888; m. 25 Dec. 1912, LENA SYBIL GRAHAM, b. 1892. They res. Napa in 1957. He was an electrical superintendant for Basalite Rock.

6. **MONROE CHARLES² HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.¹*) was born 18 May 1848 and died 19 Sept. 1890; he is buried in Antioch Cemetery. He married MARY WOOD. About 1904, she married 2) _____ Gilmore.

Children, surname *Hoppe*,

- i. JESSIE³, m. _____ KENNEDY; res. Antioch. No ch.
- ii. HELEN, m. _____ WETZLER; res. San Rafael. No ch.

7. **EMMA I.³ RILEY**, (*Emma O. Hoppe², Jacob D.¹*), died ca. 1939; married AUGUST C. LITZIUS, an engraver and jeweler who probably died about 1931.

Children, surname *Litzius*,

- i. MAUDE³, married and had a son.
- ii. WILLIAM, had a large family.
- iii. CARRIE, no children.

iv. EMMA, m. ALBERT ZIMMERMAN and had one child who died young.

8. Dr. **WILLIAM C.³ RILEY**, (*Emma O. Hoppe², Jacob D.¹*), a physician and surgeon whose office was in the Flood Building in San Francisco until 1906.

Children, surname *Riley*,

i. WILLIAM C., a salesman in 1907.

9. **GEORGE EDWARD³ HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.², Jacob D.¹*) was born Oct. 1856 and died 1908; married _____ Butler of Atlanta, Ga.

Children, surname *Hoppe*,

i. GEORGE E.⁴ JR., m. LILLY PICKETT of Memphis, Tenn. and had a son, GEORGE E. III, m. HELEN O'BRIEN and had son *Philip* and daughter *Mary*.

ii. BUTLER, went to California.

10. **LEWIS DAVID³ HOPPE**, (*Jacob D.², Jacob D.¹*), was born 18 Feb. 1867 and died 1938; married LAURA MARGARET BRAMBY, who was born 26 May 1867 and died in 1955.

Children, surname *Hoppe*,

i. LAURA MARGARET⁴, b. 16 June, 1894, d. 1923; m. WINTER WOOLFOLK ALFRIEND, b. July 1884, d. 1955.

ii. LEWIS DAVID JR., b. at Atlanta, 25 Dec. 1895; m. Aug. 1923, MARIE SHIPPEN

iii. EDWINA BRUMBY, b. 1899; a pediatrician in Atlanta.

11. **JENNIE³ HOPPE**, (*Justus H.², Jacob D.¹*), was born at Erie, Penn., 27 Apr. 1874 and died at Girard, Penn., 2 Sept. 1941. She married WILLIAM MARVIN.

Child, surname *Marvin*,

i. ANNE ELIZABETH⁴, b. 6 Nov. 1900; she married CHARLES HAMILTON and had two children: *Bruce Paul*, 11 Apr. 1922, and *Doris*, 26 Jan. 1926.

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Antonio M. Pico

The Family of Antonio Maria Pico

1. **MAZZI^C PICO**, was born to poor parents in 1600 and died in 1632. At age 17, he received the grant of a tract of land known as Mount Pico for service to the king and received the title of Count Pico. He had one son.

2. **PIO^B PICO I**, (*Mazzi^C*) married in 1654

Children, surname *Pico*

i. JACOB^A, an artist, was disinherited by his father and went to Germany. There he became a tailor and fathered two sons, Jacob and Christopher, who both lived in Denmark.

3. ii. PIO II, b. 1657

3. **PIO^A PICO II**, (*Pio^B, Mazzi^C*) a studious man known for his great knowledge, theology and philosophy, was regarded as a wizard and sentenced to burn at the stake. He escaped to Spain.

4. **PIO^I PICO III**, (*Pio^A, Pio^B, Mazzi^C*) was dispatched by King Phillip V to Mexico.

5. **FELIPE SANTIAGO DE LA CRUZ² PICO** (*PIO^I*) was born circa 1732 at San Javier de Cabazan, Sonora, Mexico and died 11 May 1815. He was buried 12 May 1815 at Mission San Buenaventura. He married in Mexico MARIA JACINTA DE LA VASTIDA. She was born about 1737 at Tepic, Mexico and died 15 May 1796 at Santa Barbara. She is buried in the San Buenaventura Cemetery.

Recruited into the DeAnza Expedition at Horcasitas, he left Tepic on 23 October 1775 and marched with his family to Monterey. He was with the San Francisco company in 1776; but was soon transferred to San Diego where he served out his military career until 1786. He was a vaquero at Los Angeles in 1790 and grantee of San Jose de Gracia de Semi.

Children, surname *Pico*, (incomplete)

6. i. JOSE DOLORES³, b. Rio Piastola, Sonora, Mexico, ca. 1763.
7. ii. JOSEPH MARIA DARIO, b. ca. 1764, Rio Piastola; m. 10 May 1789 at San Diego, MARIA EUSTAQUIA GUTIERREZ.
- iii. JOSE MIGUEL, b. Rio Piastola, ca. 1768; m. 27 Nov. 1794 at Mission San Gabriel, MARIA CASILDA DE LA CRUZ SINOVA.
- iv. FRANCISCO JAVIER, b. Rio Piastola ca. 1769; bur. 27 Apr. 1835 at Mission Santa Barbara. Not married.
- v. JOSE PATRICIO, b. Rio Piastola, ca. 1770; m. 24 Jan. 1799 at Mission San Gabriel, MARIA BEATRIZ COTA.
- vi. MARIA ANTONIA TOMASA, bur. 22 May 1783 at Mission San Gabriel.
- vii. MARIA JOSEFA

6. **JOSE DOLORES³ PICO**, (*Felipe², Pio¹*) was born at Rio Piastola, San Javier de Cabazan, Sonora, Mexico about 1763 and died 1827. He was buried at Mission San Miguel, 1 June 1827. He married 1) in 1791, GERTRUDIS AMÉZQUITA, 2) ISABEL COTA who died in 1869 at Castroville.

He came to America with his parents in DeAnza's Expedition in 1775. He was in Santa Barbara in 1785 and 1790 and a corporal at Monterey in 1804 and 1808. In 1810, he was at San Juan Bautista with his wife and five children. By 1813, he had returned to Monterey as a sergeant with his family including step-children, and was still there in 1816.

Children, surname *Pico*,

- i. MARIA ANTONIA⁴, b. ca. 1803, Santa Cruz; m. 18 Aug. 1819, JOSE SIMEON JUAN NEPOMUCENO CASTRO.
- ii. JOSE DE JESUS, bp. at Monterey, 19 March 1806; m. 3 Oct. 1832, FRANCISCA XAVIERA VILLAVICENCIO.
8. iii. ANTONIO MARIA YGNACIO, b. 25 Feb. 1809
- iv. MARIA ENCARNACION INOCENTA, b. 28 Dec. 1810, Monterey; m. 9 Sept. 1826, MIGUEL ANTONIO AVILA.
- v. JOSE FRANCISCO DIEGO, b. 17 Nov. 1812.
- vi. MARIA FILOMENIA DE CARMEN RUDECINDA, bp. 3 Mar. 1815; m. at Monterey, 18 June 1830, LUIS POMBERT, of Canada.

- vii. MARIA ROSA DE LA ENCARNACION, b. 24 March 1817; bur. at Monterey, 30 July 1822.
- viii. JUANA MARIA YGNACIA VICENTE MAGDALINA, b. 27 Apr. 1819; bur. 29 May 1829 at Monterey.
- ix. SALOMON MARIA SIMEON, b. 5 Sep. 1821; m. at Mission Santa Cruz, 13 Dec. 1840, MARIA JUANA PERALTA (VASQUEZ).
- x. MAGNO JOSE BLAS ANTONIO, b. San Juan Bautista, 3 Feb. 1827; bur. at Monterey, 9 June 1828.

7. **JOSE MARIA³ PICO** (*Santiago², Pio¹, Pio^A, Pio^B, Mazzi^C*), m. MARIA EUSTAQUIA GUTIERREZ, daughter of Jose and Maria Feliciano Arballo de Gutierrez. She died in 1846. Jose served in the military from circa 1775 until he died at San Gabriel, 4 Sept. 1819. He left his family almost penniless.

Children, surname *Pico*, not necessarily in order of birth:

- i. PIO⁴, b. 5 or 15 May 1801, “eldest son”
- ii. JOSE ANTONIO
- iii. ANDRES, b. at San Diego, 30 Nov. 1810; d. 14 Feb. 1876.
- iv. CONCEPCION
- v. TOMASA
- vi. MARIA
- vii. ISADORA
- viii. MARIA ESTEFANA, bp. 5 Aug. 1806; m. JOSE ANTONIO CARRILLO [see above]
- ix. MARIA JACINTA PETRA, b. 28 June 1815; m. JOSE ANTONIO CARRILLO [see above]
- x. FELICIANA

8. **ANTONIO MARIA YGNACIO⁴ PICO**, (*Jose³, Felipe², Pio¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born 25 Feb. 1809 and baptized 26 Feb. 1809* at Mission San Carlos de Monterey; he died 23 May 1869 at San Jose. He married at Mission Santa Clara, 13 Nov. 1831, MARIA DEL PILAR BERNAL. [*SDU,ALTA*]

* His gravestone gives 11 March 1809 as his birth date. It may be that the February dates are according to the old Julian calendar and were later adjusted to the Gregorian format.

Bancroft describes him as a man of “limited abilities and excellent character.” At the age of 16, he was sent to the Mission San Juan Capistrano to take charge of the books and business there. In 1833 he was *major domo* of the city of San Jose and in 1835 was made *alcalde*.

He was lieutenant of militia 1837-38 and in that role was sent by the governor to Fort Ross to negotiate a loan from the Russians. On the way, General **Mariano Vallejo** detained him, accusing him of attempting to raise the militias of San Jose and San Francisco in revolt. Ultimately, Vallejo simply sent Pico back to San Jose and the affair blew over.

In 1843, he was granted the Rancho Pescadero. He was captain of *defensores* taking part in the insurrection against Micheltorena in 1844-45. He purchased the San Rafael mission estate in 1846. In the Mexican War, he was sympathetic to the American cause and was a signer of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848.

In 1849, Pico represented the Santa Clara District as a member of the Constitutional Convention in Monterey. He worked to have San Jose chosen as the capital of the new state and donated the land where the capital was built. In his life, Pico also donated the land for the building of the San Quentin State Prison and the campus of Santa Clara College.

Following statehood, Pico continued to participate actively in the political life of his new nation. Gov. Peter Burnett appointed him as a judge of the Supreme Court. He joined the Republican Party, working to secure the Spanish vote for Fremont in the 1856 election. He was a presidential elector for Lincoln in 1860. Lincoln rewarded him with an appointment as register of the land office at Los Angeles but homesickness led him to resign the post in 1862[†]. [WAID,BAN,GRM]

By the time of his death, Pico had sold the San Rafael Mission land. He still held three rights in Rancho San Calletano or Callerama in Pajaro, one by inheritance and two by purchase from his brothers Jose Francisco and Salomon. He also was the owner of 11 leagues of land in Mexico called *Neguy* granted by Jose Castro. He had lots in San Francisco in the Rincon Hill area and other lots in San Jose. [WILL]

[†] Waid states that Antonio Pico joined the army in 1863 and was instrumental in the formation of the four companies of the Battalion Native California Cavalry; however, the Official Records indicate that this was his cousin, Don Andres Pico.

Children, surname *Pico*,

9. i. JOSE RAMON⁵, b. at Monterey ca. 1839.
 - ii. JOSE DELORES
 - iii. JOSE EUGENIO ABARDO
 - iv. MARIA DOLORES
 - v. PETRA, m. Dr. VINCENT GELESCH
 - vi. MARCELINA, m. 1) Dr. A. C. CAMPBELL, 2) MARION LUCIUS ALDRICH
10. vii. VICENTA ADALAYDA, b. at San Jose, 5 Apr. 1844.
 - viii. ANDRES, b. ca. 1850; d. young.
 - ix. ALBINO, *Alvin*, b. ca. 1854; d. San Francisco, unmarried.
 - x. JOSEFA, "*Josephine*", m. 1) LOUIS P. FORBES, 2) _____ GREEN and had son GEORGE GREEN and daughter HENRIETTA CHURCH GREEN; 3) MR. GOTTLIEBSON.

9. **JOSE RAMON⁵ PICO**, (*Antonio⁴, Jose³, Felipe², Pio¹*), was born at Monterey or San Jose between 1826 and 1839 and died at Alameda, 1 Feb. 1905. He married 1) June 1861, ANITA HALL. He married 2) in 1868, DESEA (KINNEY) TODD, a widow from Oswego, N.Y. She was born circa 1833 and died 28 Aug. 1900 at Flagstaff, Arizona, age 67, as "Desea Todd." They were divorced and he married 3) 1 Jan. 1884, JENNIE H. CUTTER who was born about 1839. [CCG, SFC, ALTA, BSC]

Jose Ramon was captain of Company A of the California Volunteers. In 1862 he was required to cross into Mexican territory with 30 men to rescue some California soldiers who had strayed onto Mexican soil and had been captured by Emperor Maximillian's French troops. No battle was fought, and diplomacy eventually won the release of the prisoners, but they were given 24 hours to get back across the border. Following the end of the War, Company A was reassigned to Benicia. Jose Ramon retired from the service with the rank of Major in 1867.

Children, surname *Pico*,

- i. DESEA ISABEL⁶, b. at San Francisco, 18 July 1869; adopted the surname Todd in order to inherit from her half-brother William Todd. She m. 1) at Los Angeles, 27 Jan. 1897, LEWIS D. MACY (b. 1866 - d. before 1905). She m. 2) a Mr. ROSS.
- (ii. MARTINA, d. young.)

- iii. CATHALENA TERRIADO MERRICO MYELICO AMERICAN, "*Lena*", b. at San Francisco, 22 Nov. 1873; d. at Los Angeles, 19 Aug. 1956; m. 1) before 1900, _____ DONAHUE, 2) by 1907, CHARLES G. BELL, 3) _____ WELLER, from Hamburg, Germany. She may have been married eight or nine times. (LAT)
- iv. MARIA F., b. at San Francisco, 1 July 1876.
- v. JOSE R., b. at San Jose, 31 Aug. 1889.

10. **VICENTA⁵ PICO**, (*Antonio⁴, Jose³, Felipe², Pio¹*), was born at San Jose, 5 Apr. 1844 and died at Tepesquet Rancho near Santa Maria, 10 Jan. 1915, age 70-9-5. She married at San Jose, 29 June 1867, JOSE VICENTE CASTRO, son of Jose Rafael and Maria Soledad (Cota) Castro. He was born at Santa Cruz, 25 Nov. 1834 and died at Sisquoc, Cal., 13 May 1925.

Children, surname *Castro*,

- i. AUDEL⁶, unmarried, d. at Tepesquet Valley before 1925.
- ii. RUDOLPHO, unmarried, d. in Mexico before 1925.
- iii. ALBERT, unmarried, d. before 1925. Buried beside Audel.
- 11. iv. CATALINA, "*Kate*".
- 12. v. AURORA.
- 13. vi. EMMA, b. 16 Apr. 1877.
- 14. vii. ANITA
- viii. ROSAMEL, b. 25 Apr. 1873 Santa Cruz, d. 3 July 1933 Santa Maria; m. 11 Sept. 1907 CHRISTINE CLARK, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Smith) Clark. She was born in Chicago and worked as an assistant librarian in the Los Angeles Public Library. In 1956 she res. Santa Monica at the age of 84.

11. **CATALINA⁶ CASTRO**, (*Vicenta Pico⁵,...*) married at Sisquoc, Cal. 15 Feb. 1890, LEONARDO DE LA CUESTA, who was born at Santa Ynez, 3 Dec. 1862 and died in Santa Barbara County, 23 June 1934. She was living in Santa Maria in 1925.

Children, surname *Castro*,

- i. RAMON⁷, d. 1917.
- ii. LEONARD, d. ca. 1955.
- iii. J. R., had son LEONARD.
- iv. MARVIOSA, res. at Hollywood in 1956; m. _____ PARASAULS.

- v. TERESA
- vi. MARY
- vii. ANITA

12. **AURORA⁶ CASTRO**, (*Vicenta Pico⁵,...*), married AUGUST BAGDONS of Germany; resided in Santa Maria in 1925 and had four children.

Children, surname *Bagdons*,

- i. EMMA⁷, m. _____ HENDRICKSON and res. Orange, Cal.
15. ii. RUDOLPH

13. **EMMA⁶ CASTRO**, (*Vicenta Pico⁵,...*), born 16 Apr. 1877, died 4 May 1946. She married 22 Dec. 1902 ALBERT P. WICKENDEN, born San Luis Obispo; 17 Mar. 1864, died 1920, son of Frederick and Ramona (Foxen) Wickenden. She lived in Hollywood in 1925. They are both interred in the Santa Barbara Mausoleum.

Children, surname *Wickenden*,

- i. ALBERT R.⁷
- ii. IDA ROMANA, m. LEONARD BROWN and res. at Riverside.
- iii. LOUISA HENRIETTA, m. JULES SEMPRES; res. Washington State.
- iv. JULIUS EMMETT

14. **ANITA⁶ CASTRO**, (*Vicenta Pico⁵,...*), married WILLIAM FLETCHER JOHNSON, born 17 Dec. 1876, died 25 July 1951, a rancher in Santa Maria.

Children, surname *Johnson*,

- i. MARY⁷, m. KENNETH ADAM. They had three daughters, viz. 1. *Mary Anne*, 2. *Katherine* and 3. _____.

15. **RUDOLPH⁷ BAGDONS**, married MILDRED EASTERBROOK.

Children, surname *Bagdons*,

- i. SHIRLEY CAPRICE⁸, m. RUDOLPH LENTZ, a teacher in Santa Maria and graduate of San Jose State.

- ii. PAUL, m. MARY BUTTLES of Fowler.

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P. Sansevain

The Family of Pierre Sainsevain

[This name also appears as “Sansevaine” and “Sansevain” in many records.]

1. **MICHEL^A SAINSEVAIN**, married 25 Feb. 1816, **MARIE VIGNES**, daughter of Jean Vignes and Elisabeth Cato. They lived their entire lives in Bordeaux, France, in the area now known as Gironde. Marie’s brother, Jean Louis, lived in Los Angeles, Cal.

Three children, surname *Sainsevain*:

2. i. **JEAN¹ LOUIS**; b. 9 March 1817 Beguey, Dept. Gironde, Fr.

3. ii. **PIERRE**, b. 20 Nov. 1818.

iii. **MARIE DONESTELLE**, b. 7 May 1820 (bp. on the 8th)

2. **JEAN LOUIS¹ SAINSEVAIN** (*Michel^A*); was born 9 Mar. 1817 and baptized the next day in Beguey, Dept. Gironde, France. He died 16 Feb. 1889 at Los Angeles. He married **JEANNE** _____ who was born in France, 1821.

A pioneer viticulturalist; Jean Louis joined his uncle, Jean Louis Vignes in Los Angeles and eventually took over the winery. In 1843 he was running a sawmill in Santa Cruz County.

Two children: surname *Sainsevain*

i. **PAUL³**, b. in France, 1838?*; d. San Diego, Sept. 1922. Had at least one child: Leonis, b. San Diego, 23 March 1871.

ii. **MICHEL**, “Miguel” b. in France ca. 1841, d. at Los Angeles prior to the death of his father, leaving a widow and several children.

3. **PIERRE¹ (PEDRO) SAINSEVAIN** (*Michel^A*), signer of the California Constitution, was born 20 Nov. 1818 and was baptized on the 21st in

* George Dorman typed “(1878)”, which is impossible. Also, a note reads (“cousins: Vital Fernando and Jean M.”) but these people were not tied into the genealogy.

Beguey, near Cadillac, Dept. Gironde, France. He died at Beguey, 4 Oct. 1904 and is buried in the family vault there. He married at San Jose, Cal., Sept. 1845, PAULA SUÑOL. She was born about 1828 in San Jose, California and died on 19 Aug. 1883 at the age of 75. She was said to have been buried in front of the altar at St. Joseph's Church in San Jose, but this was denied by the priest there in 1959. She was found to have been buried in Oak Hill Cemetery. She was the daughter of Antonio Maria Suñol and Maria Dolores Bernal [*see Bernal ancestry, following*].

Pierre arrived in California on 4 July 1839 by sailing ship, to become a merchant, farmer, architect, builder of ships and mills, and vintner. He was in partnership with his brother in a winery in Cucamonga. He built the first sawmill in San Bernardino County and later obtained a grant of land in Santa Cruz and ran a sawmill there. In 1849, he chartered a boat from San Francisco harbor, manned it with natives and sailed for Chile, returning with supplies that he sold for a \$50,000 profit.

He was one of the extra delegates elected from the San Jose District. Although he was permitted to take his seat, he did not arrive in Monterey until over three weeks into the proceedings. For no known reason, he failed to sign the Constitution, but did sign the Address to the People of California.

When his children were of age, they were sent to France for their education. His wife made the trip as well, staying there for several months during her third pregnancy.

In 1864, Pedro started a wine business in New York City in which he suffered heavy losses. He continued on his ranch in San Jose, known as the Sainsevain Villa, and later returned to business in San Francisco. For about eight years he was in business in Central America before returning to San Jose. In 1889, following the death of his wife, he returned to France.

Three children, surname *Sainsevain*:

- i. MICHAEL L.², d. at San Jose, 9 Dec. 1901.
4. ii. CHARLES MARIA, b. 12 Feb. 1850.
5. iii. PAUL C., b. 25 May 1856.

4. **CHARLES MARIA² SAINSEVAIN**, “*Carlos*”, (*Pierre¹*), in 1852, born at San Jose, 12 Feb. 1850. He married there, 31 Dec. 1883, LYDIA BARTOLA HIGUERA, daughter. of Joaquin and Maria Dolores (Bernal) Higuera of San Jose [*see Bernal ancestry, following*]. She was born at San Jose 24 Aug. 1865 and died there 31 May 1944. She is buried in the Santa Clara Catholic Cemetery. Charles died 28 Jan. 1932 in San Jose and is buried in the Santa Clara Cemetery in the Sunol plot next to Arguello and Enright. He was a rancher and real estate agent in San Jose.

Twelve children, surname *Sainsevain*:

- i. PAUL F.³, b. 27 Oct. 1884, d. young.
- ii. CARLOS, d. young.
- iii. LYDIA G. , b. 9 Sept. 1887, d. 19 Apr. 1911 (?)
- iv. CARLOTTA M. (or M.C.), (M.C. d. 9 Dec. 1901.)
- 6. v. CARLOTTA MAXIMA, “*Charlotte Maxine*”
- vi. PAULINE BERTHA , “*Paula*”, waitress, b. 27 Oct. 1884; d. at San Jose, 30 Nov. 1952. She is bur. at the Santa Clara Catholic Cemetery. She m. 1) _____ CHILDERS and had one daughter, *Lillian Leslie*; 2) ALFRED NIERI.
- vii. DOLORES RAMONA , b. at San Jose 31 Aug. 1894, d. at San Jose, June 1988 [*SJM*] m. 1) HENRY STRICKLER. They had three children, *Marie Louise* , *Lester Henry* , and *George Wm.* Dolores m. 2) FRANK TURCK. She was among the key participants in the 1975 bicentennial reenactment of DeAnza’s trek from Mexico to Alta California.

5. **PAUL C.³ SAINSEVAIN**, (*Pierre²*, *Jean Louis¹*) was born 25 May 1856. He is said to have been born in Bordeaux, France or “crossing the ocean.” He married in San Francisco, 1887, ELIZABETH LILLIAN EBELING, daughter of pioneer and San Francisco jeweler Phillip Ebeling, who died on or about the day of her birth. She was born at San Francisco, 28 March 1869 and died at Salinas, California, 18 May 1956.

Paul graduated from Santa Clara College and worked for a while as a surveyor and civil engineer under A. T. Herman. Later he worked in Central America with his father, then returned to San Jose and found employment as a secretary and manager for the San Jose Electric Light Co. As City Engineer for the city of San Jose, he laid out the main sewer and sewer system. He was Deputy County Assessor in 1936.

Two children, surname *Sainsevain*:

- i. EUGENIO⁴, b. ca. 1889, d. 1909 aged 20 years, just as he was entering Stanford University.
- ii. ISABELLE PAULA m. WILLIAM SCHWEITZER, son of John Augustus and Elizabeth (_____) Schweitzer. Res. Salinas in 1936, Santa Clara in 1957.

6. **CARLOTTA MAXIMA⁴ SAINSEVAIN**, “*Charlotte Maxine*”, (*Charles M.³, Pierre², Jean Louis¹*), married 1) WILLIAM BUTLER; 2) PHILIP BALCON.

Children by first husband, surname *Butler*:

- i. WILLIAM⁵, m. 1st, EDITH MAIN; 2nd, _____ RODRIGUEZ.
- ii. RALPH BUTLER

Child by second husband, surname *Balcon*:

- iii. FRANCES

The Bernal Ancestry

1. **JUAN¹ BERNAL**, married MARIA CLARA CABREZE; their son...
2. **JUAN FRANCISCO² BERNAL** (*Juan¹*) was born circa 1737 and died at San Francisco 28 Oct. 180[3?]. He married ANA MARIA JOSEFA SOTO. Their son...
3. **JOSE JOAQUIN³ BERNAL**, (*Juan J.², Juan¹*) was born circa 1762-3, and died circa 1834. He married at San Francisco, 8 Feb. 1785, MARIA JOSEFA DARIA SANCHEZ, (daughter of Jose Antonio and Maria de los Dolores (Morales) Sanchez) who died 18 March 1858, Santa Clara Co.

Children (incomplete), surname *Bernal*:

4. i. Bruno⁴, b. San Francisco, 6 Oct. 1794.
5. ii. Maria Dolores

4. **BRUNO⁴ BERNAL**, (*Jose J.³, Juan J.², Juan¹*) was born at San Francisco, 6 Oct. 1794. He married ANTONIA MARIA ORTEGA (dau. of Ignacio Maria Ortega and Gertrudis Arce).

Children (incomplete), surname *Bernal*:

- i. MARIA DOLORES⁵, b. ca. 1827; d. in Santa Clara Co., 14 July 1889; m. "JOAQUIN" HIGUERA. They had at least one child, Lydia Bartola Higuera, who m. Charles Maria Sainsevain, above.

5. **MARIA DOLORES⁵ BERNAL**, (*Bruno⁴, Jose J.³, Juan J.², Juan¹*), died in San Jose, 1845. She married ANTONIO MARIA SUNOL in 1823. He was born at Barcelona, Spain, 13 June 1797, and died at San Jose, California, 18 March 1865.

Children (incomplete), surname *Sunol*:

- i. PAULA⁶, b. ca. 1828; d. ca. 1903 aged 75; married PIERRE SAINSEVAIN.

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San Luis Obispo District

Jose Maria Covarrubias

Henry A. Tefft



Jose M. Corcoran

The Family of Jose Maria Covarrubias

1. **JEAN PIERRE^A PORTATIU DE CABARROUY** was born 16 Aug. 1754 and died of smallpox, 1833. He married 1) **MARIA DOLORES MARTIN DE FRIAS** of Málaga, Spain. She died 8 Feb. 1807. He married 2) 25 May 1815, **THÉRESE D'ESCOUBET**. She died in the 1850's.

Jean Pierre was a French-born merchant from Lasseube, an area at the Atlantic end of the Pyrénées which has several times passed between French and Iberian influence. He adopted the surname Covarrubias presumably to facilitate his business activities in Spain. [AF,CC,JC]

Children, surname *Covarrubias*, by first wife:

- i. CAMILO, b. 2 Feb. 1803, m. 1840, PASCALINE BORDENAVE-BALEN of Oléron and had dau., *Luisita*.
- ii. JUAN PEDRO, b. 29 Aug. 1804, m. ca. 1845 CAROLINE DE CANDAU; he was a Captain in the 47th Regiment of the Line.
- 2. iii. JOSE MARIA, b. Cadiz, Spain, 25 Jan. 1806.

Children, surname *Covarrubias*, by second wife:

- i. ANDRES, b. 3 Dec. 1815, m. PILAR _____. He was a wool merchant.
- ii. LUISA, b. 4 May 1817
- iii. CLARISA, b. 13 Aug. 1818

2. **JOSE MARIA¹ COVARRUBIAS**, signer of the California Constitution, was born at Cadiz, Spain, 25 Jan. 1806. He married, at Santa Barbara, 16 June 1838, **ANA MARIA DEL ESPIRITU SANTA CARRILLO**, daughter of Domingo Antonio Ignacio and Maria Concepcion Nicanor (Pico) Carrillo. Ana Maria was born circa 1815 in San Diego* and died 11 Jan. 1899, Santa Barbara, age 83 [SLO].

Jose left from Bordeaux, France, Sep. 1829 on the *Antigone*, arriving in Vera Cruz, Mexico in December with the Hjar-Padres Colony. He

* Her death notice says born in Los Angeles.

came to California in 1834 and became a naturalized Mexican citizen in 1838.

He took the first electoral vote to Washington after California became a state and served as a member of the legislature in 1850, 1853, 1855, and 1857. He was “distinguished for the simplicity and ease of his manner and for great integrity of character.” [SU,AF]

Children, surname *Covarrubias*:

3. i. NICHOLAS ANTONIO², b. 12 Apr. 1839
4. ii. ONESIMO MIGUEL, b. 21 Mar. 1841
 - iii. AMELIA D., b. Santa Barbara; Feb. 1847, d. there 25 Dec. 1930; bur. Calvary Cemetery. She never married, but had an adopted son, Arturo Martinez.
5. iv. MARIA DOLORES, b. at Santa Ynez, 5 Jan. 1848.
6. v. CLARISSA L., b. about 1851
 - vi. CAMILA, “Carmelo”, b. Dec. 1852; a painter in 1880. Unm.
 - vii. PASCALINA, b. ca. 1855, d. at Santa Barbara, 24 Jan. 1895; copyist. Unm.
- 7.viii. GEORGE WASHINGTON, b. ca. 1857
 - ix. WILLIAM?

3. **NICHOLAS ANTONIO² COVARRUBIAS**, (*Jose¹*), born at Santa Barbara, 12 Apr. 1838 or 1839 and died at Burlingame, Cal., 24 Nov. 1924. He married 1) 25 Sept. 1869 at Santa Barbara, YNEZ GUTIERREZ, born circa 1842 and died at Los Angeles, 23 Feb. 1882, age 40, daughter of Octaviano and Celedonia (Ruiz) Gutierrez. He married 2) at San Luis Obispo, 7 Feb. 1885 (8 Feb., VD)(SP), JULIA SMITH, born in California, 1864, died at Los Angeles, 14 Dec. 1903[†], age 39, daughter of Miguel and Teresa (Hartnell) Smith. He married 3) at Santa Barbara, 25 Dec. 1902, LUISA HERNANDEZ, daughter of Don Jose Hernandez. She was born in 1872 (she was 31 at the time of her marriage) and died at Camarillo, Cal., 9 May 1924. She is buried at the Santa Barbara Catholic Cemetery.

[†] This date is clearly an error, if the marriage date for the third wife is to be believed - *ed.*

He was elected Sheriff 1868-69 and 1874-79 and was U.S. Marshall in Los Angeles.

Children, surname *Covarrubias*, by first wife:

- i. PIO³, b. Santa Barbara, July 1870, bur. 25 Jan. 1872.
- ii. FRANCISCO PIO, b. ca. Jan. 1872, bur. 22 Oct. 1877.
- iii. NICOLAS ANTONIO, b. Dec. 1873, bur. 17 May 1874.
- iv. ANDRES, "Andy"; b. Oct. 1875, m. GRACE _____. He went to Sacramento, San Francisco and Kern Co.; "disappeared."
- v. MARIA I., "Mary"; b. ca. 1877. She is probably the Mary Y. who m. 13 May 1900, HERVEY E. O'MELVENEY.

Children by second wife:

- vi. NICHOLAS ANTONIO, b. 11 Feb. 1885, California; d. 9 Feb. 1908 of tuberculosis. Electrician.
- vii. NELLIE
- viii. PAULINE
- ix. COVINA, b. Santa Barbara, ca. May 1891; d. Los Angeles, 21 July 1895, of diphtheria.
- x. EDWARD, b. June 1891; res. on the S.F. peninsula and ran a big auto business just outside of San Francisco.

Child by third wife:

- xi. ROSSMORE, b. ca. 1903, no children.

4. **ONESIMO MIGUEL² COVARRUBIAS**, (*Jose¹*), born at Santa Barbara[‡], 21 Mar. 1841, and died there 15 Apr. 1930. He married at Santa Barbara, 13 Jan. 1867, YSABEL NOEL-SMITH, who was born at Santa Barbara, 8 July 1846 or 1847 [1845, family Bible] and died there 28 August 1916. She was a daughter of John F. Noel-Smith and Maria del Pilar (Ortega) Smith. [HSBC]

Children, surname *Covarrubias*:

- i. MARCO³, "Larea", b. Santa Barbara, 1 Dec. 1868; d. in infancy.

[‡] Cemetery gives 2/20 and family 2/23 and baptism 3/8.

- ii. JOSEPH LARCO, "James Larco^{***}", b. 26 June 1870, m. Los Angeles, 1 May 1891, TEMPEST STIERS. No children.
- 8. iii. LAURA SYRIA, b. Santa Barbara, 25 June 1872.
- iv. ERNESTO ONESIMO, b. Santa Barbara, 15 June 1875, d. there, 1926^{††}. He m. 28 June 1905 "Nellie" ELLENA ORELLA, dau. of Bruno F. and Mercedes (Gonzales) Orella. She was b. Santa Barbara, 4 May 1879 (1873, vault), d. there 16 Nov. 1939. No children. Following the death of Ernesto, Ellena m. 2) April 1937 at Reno, Nevada, Raymond Leslie Clithero^{††} of Fresno.
- v. ANGELA SERENA, b. Oct. 1876, m. MAURICE FLORIMUND DE WOLF, of Belgium.
- vi. JOSEPH (OR JOSE) MARIA^{***}, b. Santa Barbara, 27 July 1877, d. 26 July 1945, unmarried.
- vii. AURORA, b. Jan. 1880
- viii. YRIS, b. Nov. 1881

5. **MARIA DOLORES² COVARRUBIAS**, (*Jose¹*) was born at the Santa Ynez Mission (where her parents had gone for sanctuary during a native uprising), 5 Jan. 1848 and died 14 Oct. 1930 at her home at 1029 Castillo St., Santa Barbara. She married 1) at Santa Barbara, 16 Jan. 1868, JAMES W. C. DECHMAN^{†††}, a merchant from Massachusetts. She married 2) JUAN A. CARRILLO, b. 1856, d. 19 Apr. 1880.

She was noted for her beauty, her beautiful contralto voice and her dancing and dramatic skills. She actively participated in the Fiesta programs as an entertainer, recalling the romance of the early days of California. In her later years, she taught the old songs and dance steps to the younger generations. Her last appearances were at the 1927 Fiesta

^{**} James L. is aged 12 in 1880. This, plus the similarities of the names, suggest that Marco and James Larco may be the same person, despite two different birthdates given. A James Covarrubias, 1868-1907 is buried at New Calvary Cemetery in Los Angeles. - *ed.*

^{††} 31 Oct. 1927, according to the Santa Barbara Mission vault.

^{†††} Ray Clithero, flier, m. (3) Dec. 1941 at Las Vegas, Nevada, Pretto Bell, dau. of Daniel Rutherford Bell of West Los Angeles. He d. April 1943 near Laramie, Wyoming, age 47, leaving a six month old son and also a son by his first wife, Marianna.

^{***} Listed as Joseph L., servant to Joel R. Fithian, in 1900 - *ed.*

^{†††} A *Florimond Dechman* was born about 17 Apr. 1844 and died 26 Sep. 1902 in Los Angeles. Male, married. Also, a *Bertha Dechman* married Francis P. Walker on 14 Apr. 1894 at Santa Barbara.

play at the new Lobero Theatre, and a year later in Joaquin Murrieta. She is buried at Calvary Cemetery.

Children, surname *Dechman*:

9. i. MARIA DOLORES³, b. ca. 1869, m. JOSE JUAN SALCIDO (b. ca. 1857, Mex.; bur. Ivy Lawn Cemetery, Ventura, Cal.
- ii. GRACE, b. ca. 1873, bur. 14 Nov. 1879 at age 6.
10. iii. FELICIDAD, "Bliss", b. ca. 1876, m. JULES VISSIERE

6. **CLARISSA L.² COVARRUBIAS**, (*Jose¹*) was born circa 1851 [*CEN52*, *CEN60*] and died at Santa Barbara 9 Mar. 1888, age 40. She married at Santa Barbara, 18 January 1875, FRANCISCO N. "FRANK" GUTIERREZ, son of Joaquin and Josefa (Escobar) Gutierrez, born in California, 1843, died at Montecito, California, 11 Apr. 1910.

Children, surname *Gutierrez*:

- i. FRANK, "Pancho", unmarried.
- ii. JAMES, m. PRECIOSA (California Native American) and had a son, *James Jr.*
- iii. HUGO
- iv. SAGALA, d. in infancy.

7. **GEORGE WASHINGTON² COVARRUBIAS**, (*Jose¹*), born in California circa 1856 and is said to have died at Los Angeles, 22 Aug. 1919^{†††}. He married at Santa Barbara, 29 Mar. 1880 MARY W. CARNES, born circa 1855 in California, daughter of Henry Storrow and Maria Domitilia (Rodrigues) Carnes. Following his death, Mary married, second, Ramon Tico and had two daughters and a son with the surname, *Tico*.

Children, surname *Covarrubias*:

- i. HELEN M.³, b. ca. 1 Apr. 1890, Los Angeles; d. there, 13 May 1894.
- ii. JULIA, Jan. 1881, m. _____ SAUNDERS; res. Los Angeles.

^{†††} This date is probably an error, as the family is listed with Tico in the 1900 Census. – *ed.*

- iii. MABEL (or Eda S.[§]), m. _____ ELLIS; res. Los Angeles.
- 11. iv. CHARLES, Dec. 1886, m. DORA _____.

8. **LAURA SYRIA³ COVARRUBIAS**, (*Onesimo², Jose¹*) was born at Santa Barbara, 25 June 1872. She married 1) at Santa Barbara, 7 July 1894, HENRY G. FABING of Lompoc. She married 2) 24 Dec. 1905, WILLIAM EDWARD SMALL of Michigan.

Children, surname *Fabing*:

- i. MARGUERITE
- ii. YNEZ
- iii. YRIS
- iv. CECIL CHARLES^{§§}, m. Thelma Tryell. One daughter, *Barbara Ann* m. Sam Coggins. They resided in Whittier.

9. **MARIA DOLORES³ DECHMAN**(*Maria Delores² Covarrubias, Jose¹*) was born December 1869. She married JOSE JUAN SALCIDO, who was born circa 1855. He was Deputy Sheriff and Jailer in Ventura for 48 years. They are both buried at Ivy Lawn Cemetery, Ventura, Cal.

Children, surname *Salcido*:

- i. CAMILO, b. Nov. 1889; m. IRENE _____. He was a Deputy Sheriff for the city of Ventura.
- ii. CARMELITA, b. Oct. 1891, m. JESSE FRETWELL.
- 12. iii. JULES, "Bard", b. Jan. 1896, m. MYRTLE OLSEN.
- iv. FELICIDAD, "Bliss", res. Ventura, Cal.
- 13. v. DOLORES M., m. FLOYD M. HARKNESS.
- 14. vi. ALEXANDRA, "Duke", m. JACK CANTRELL.

[§] Eda S. Covarrubias, b. Jan. 1881, is listed as stepdaughter to Ramon Tito in 1900. Julia is listed elsewhere. It may be that Mabel is the M. in Helen M. and that Eda S., Julia's supposed twin, is the spouse of Mr. Ellis.

^{§§} Cecil used the surname *Fabing-Small*.

10. **FELICIDAD⁴ DECHMAN** (*Maria Delores² Covarrubias, Jose¹*), “Bliss”, was born circa 1876 and married, 20 Nov. 1893, JULES VISSIERE (born circa 1871 in France). They lived at Paso Robles.

Children, surname *Vissiere*:

- i. JULES R., JR., b. France, res. Hollister, Cal. He was a game warden for 25 years in Watsonville.
- ii. VERNON C., res. San Francisco and San Mateo.

11. **CHARLES³ COVARRUBIAS**, (*George², Jose¹*), killed in an accident in 1954 in Oxnard, California. He married DORA _____.

Children, surname *Covarrubias*:

- i. CHARLES MASON, m. Santa Barbara, 25 Oct. 1934, EUNICE VIOLA LICHAU, res. 475 E. Juniper, Oxnard.
- ii. GLENN
- iii. YSABEL, m. _____ GRIFFIN.
- iv. MILTON
- v. ALLEN
- vi. ROBERT

12. **JULES “BARD”⁴ SALCIDO** (*Maria Delores³ Dechman, Maria Delores² Covarrubias, Jose¹*), named for a local physician, married MYRTLE OLSEN, of Whitefish, Mont. He was a Shell employee for 28 years.

Children, surname *Salcido*:

- i. BERNICE
- ii. BARD

13. **DOLORES M.⁴ SALCIDO** (*Maria Delores³ Dechman, Maria Delores² Covarrubias, Jose¹*), married FLOYD M. HARKNESS, born 3 July 1904 in Missouri, son of Clyde F. and Mary Q. (Masters) Harkness. He was an employee at Peerless Cleaners in Ventura in 1926.

Child, surname *Harkness*:

- i. CARMALITA

14. **“DUKE” ALEXANDRA⁴ SALCIDO**(*Maria Delores³ Dechman, Maria Delores² Covarrubias, Jose¹*) married 1) JACK CANTRELL and resided at Ventura. They were divorced and she married 2) STEVEN RASKY.

Child, surname *Cantrell*:

i. JACK LLOYD

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CEN70 *1870 Census of Santa Barbara*
CEN80 *1880 Census of Santa Barbara*
CEN00 *1900 Soundex of CA*
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HSB O’Niell (1959) pp. 265, 185, 168
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SBH Hill (1930)
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Henry A. Telfer

The Family of Henry Amos Tefft

1. **JOHN¹ TEFFT** came to America and settled in Portsmouth, R. I. for a while before moving to King's Town. He married **MARY BARBER** in Rhode Island. He died in 1676, during King Phillip's war. According to his son Joshua, whom he was trying to rescue from the natives, he "lost his head and lies unburied."

Children, surname *Tefft*,

- i. **MARY²**, m. **SAMUEL WILSON**.
- 2. ii. **SAMUEL**, b. 1644
- iii. **JOSHUA**, m. **SARAH** _____, a Wampanoag, and executed 18 Jan. 1676 as a renegade despite his protestations that he had been captured by the natives and forced to fight the English.
- iv. **TABITHA**, b. 1653, m. 13 Feb. 1670, **GEORGE GARDINER**

2. **SAMUEL² TEFFT**, (*John¹*) was born at Providence, 1644, and died at South Kingston, R. I.; 1725. He married **ELIZABETH JENCKES**, daughter of Joseph and Esther (Ballard) Jenckes and sister of Joseph Jenckes, Deputy Governor of R. I. from 1715 to 1727. She was born circa 1658 and died in 1740.

Children, surname *Tefft*,

- 3. i. **JOHN³**, m. **JOANNA SPRAGUE**, d. 1760.
- ii. **SAMUEL**, m. **ABIGAIL TENNANT**.
- iii. **PETER**, m. **MARY (WITTER?)**.
- iv. **SARAH**, m. **JOHN WITTER**.
- v. **ELIZABETH**, m. **SOLOMON CARPENTER**.
- vi. **ESTHER**, m. **THOMAS MUMFORD**.
- vii. **MARY**, m. _____ **NEWTON**
- viii. **TABITHA**, unm.

ix. MERCY, unm.

x. SUSANNA, m. PETER CRANDALL

3. **JOHN³ TEFFT**, (*Samuel², John¹*), born about 1676 and died shortly before 21 Jan. 1762 when his will was proven. He married JOANNA SPRAGUE, daughter of Jonathan and Mehitable (Holbrook) Sprague and settled in South Kingston, R. I.

Children, surname *Tefft*,

i. JOHN⁴, b. 4 Dec. 1699.

4. ii. JOSEPH

iii. SAMUEL, m. MARY BARBER, 10 Oct. 1727.

iv. JAMES, b. 21 Apr. 1715.

v. NATHAN

vi. daughter

vii. MARY, m. BENJAMIN BARBER, 11 Jan. 1729.

viii. MERCY

ix. MEHITABLE

x. TABITHA

xi. SARAH

4. **JOSEPH⁴ TEFFT**, (*John³, Samuel², John¹*) was born 8 Jan. 1710. He married, Feb. 1729, ESTHER BROWNELL.

Children, surname *Tefft*,

i. ELIZABETH⁵, b. 20 Dec. 1730.

5. ii. WILLIAM, b. 29 Feb. 1732.

iii. JOSEPH, b. 19 Mar. 1737.

iv. BENJAMIN, b. 3 June 1741.

v. ESTHER, b. 6 Aug. 1743 or

THOMAS, b. 10 Nov. 1743.

vi. SARAH, b. 24 Aug. 1747.

vii. SAMUEL, b. 29 Aug. 1749.

5. **WILLIAM⁵ TEFFT**, (*Joseph⁴, John³, Samuel², John¹*) was born 29 Feb. 1732 and died 1822. He married, 21 Mar. 1754, MARY KENYON, daughter of David and Mary Kenyon. He lived at Richmond, R. I. where he served as Justice of the Peace. He settled at Kingstown, Washington Co., N.Y. in 1787 and died there in 1822.

Children, surname *Tefft*,

- i. HEZEKIAH⁶, b. 16 Dec. 1753.
- ii. PARDON, b. 27 Jan. 1755.
- iii. THANKFUL, b. 21 Mar. 1757.
- 6. iv. DAVID, b. 19 Apr. 1760.
- v. WILLIAM, b. 21 Mar. 1763.
- vi. MARY, b. 13 Mar. 1766.

6. **DAVID⁶ TEFFT**, (*William⁵, Joseph⁴, John³, Samuel², John¹*) was born 19 Apr. 1760 and died 13 March 1843. He married, 26 Feb. 1787, RUHAMA JAMES, who died 12 Dec. 1854 at Greenwich, N.Y. at the age of 85. He appears to have had a large family, including...

7. **DAVID SABIN⁷ TEFFT**, (*David⁶, William⁵, Joseph⁴, John³, Samuel², John¹*) was born 23 Mar. 1799 and died 22 Feb. 1890. He married, 27 Jan. 1823, ELIZA WOODWARD.

Children, surname *Tefft*,

- 8. i. A. HENRY⁸, b. 24 Aug. 1823
- ii. MARY E., b. 29 Dec. 1824
- iii. CATILENE M., b. 16 July 1839; m. 18 Nov. 1889, WILLIAM W. RUSHTON.

8. Judge **HENRY AMOS⁸ TEFFT**, (*David S.⁷, David⁶, William⁵, Joseph⁴, John³, Samuel², John¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born 24 Aug. 1823 probably at Greenwich, Washington Co., N.Y. He drowned at Port Harford, near San Luis Obispo, 6 Feb. 1852. [*ALTA*]. He married at the Nipomo Ranch, 9 July 1850, MARIA JOSEFA DANA, daughter of William G. Dana. [*HGB*] She was born at Santa Barbara, 9 July 1829 (bp. July 10 as Maria Josefa Antonia Dana) and died 23 July 1878 in San Francisco. After the death of her husband, she married 2)

Samuel Pollard, son of George and Mary (Adams) Pollard of Richmond, Va. and New Orleans.

Henry Tefft's westward route took him first to Racine, Wisconsin where he resided when he was sent to California in 1849 as commissioner to establish post offices in the new territory. He lived for several months at the Nipomo Ranch with Captain Dana. That same year he represented San Luis Obispo at the Constitutional Convention.

Upon the founding of the state, Henry Tefft was elected to the first state assembly. He was chosen by the legislature to become the first judge of the second judicial district (including San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties) and he purchased a small ranch and other property outside of San Luis Obispo. He clearly intended to settle permanently in California, but his plans were soon changed when he received an urgent plea from his aging parents to return to Wisconsin. He sold his properties and prepared to leave the State but, on several occasions, admitted to having premonitions that he would never see Racine.

After closing his final session of court in Santa Barbara, Judge Tefft sailed north on the steamer *Senator* to Port Harford. On arrival, he joined the purser and four sailors in a boat to reach the shore, but a heavy southeaster was blowing, and the boat overturned. His body was never recovered. News of his fate was kept from his wife until she delivered her child over four months later. [*SLO,HSL,CHS*].

William A. Streeter remembered Judge Tefft as "one of the ablest and most upright lawyers I have ever known."

Child, surname *Tefft*,

i. HENRY AMOS, b. ca. 30 June 1852; d. 6 Nov. 1854. [*SU*]

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- SLO** Morrison (1917)
SSV Gidney (1917)
SU *Sacramento Union*, 26 Nov. 1852
TA Stocking (1904)

Santa Barbara District

Pedro de la Guerra

Jacinto Rodriguez



Pablo de la Guerra

The Family of Pablo de la Guerra

1. **JOSE ANTONIO¹ DE LA GUERRA Y NORIEGA Y NORIEGA**, was born at Novales, Santander Province, Spain in 1779 and died in California in 1858. He was the son of Juan Jose de la Guerra y Ceballos and Dona Maria Teresa de Noriega y Barreda. He married MARIA ANTONIA CARRILLO (*see Carrillo*) in 1804.

Jose Antonio was a member of the Spanish nobility and came to the New World at the age of 13 to serve as an apprentice with a maternal uncle, Pedro Gonzales de Noriega, a merchant in Mexico City. Opting for a military career, he became a cadet and was appointed in 1798 to the Presidio of San Diego. In a short time he was promoted to *alférez* (ensign) and in 1801 was transferred to Monterey where he remained until 1806, serving as *habilitado* and as postmaster. He was then transferred to San Diego, where he served as *habilitado* until 1809. In 1810, he was named Habilitado General for Both Californias to the Vice-Royal Governor of Mexico, a position that forced him to return to the south. Following the revolution in 1813 in which he barely escaped assassination, he returned to California and in 1815 became commander at the Santa Barbara Presidio. In 1827 he was elected to the Mexican senate however, because he was an old Spaniard, he was imprisoned and not permitted to take his seat. He resigned from the military in 1842.

He was one of the largest landowners in Mexican California and at one time owned eight large ranchos. [RG,SBNP]

Children, surname *de la Guerra*:

- i. JOSE ANTONIO², b. 1805, m. MARIA CONCEPCION ORTEGA.
- ii. RITA DE JESUS
- iii. MARIA THERESA DE JESUS, b. 1809, m. **WILLIAM HARTNELL**
- iv. RAYMUNDO
- v. JUAN J., b. 1810

- vi. MARIA DE LAS ANGUSTIAS, b. 1815, m. 1) MANUEL JIMENO CESARIN, 2) Dr. JAMES ORD
- vii. FRANCISCO, b. 1818; m. CONCEPCION SEPULVEDA.
- 2.viii. PABLO ANDRES ANTONIO MARIA SATURNINO, b. at Santa Barbara, 29 Nov. 1819
- ix. ANA MARIA, b. 1820, m. ALFRED ROBINSON
- x. JOAQUIN, b. 1822
- xi. MIGUEL, b. 1823
- xii. ANTONIO MARIA b. 1825.
- xiii. MARIA ANTONIA, b. 1827, m. 1) CEZARIO LATAILLADO, 2) GASPARE OREÑA.

2. **PABLO ANDRES ANTONIO MARIA SATURNINO² DE LA GUERRA** (*Jose Antonio¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at the Presidio of Santa Barbara, 29 Nov. 1819. He died at Santa Barbara, 5 Feb. 1874 (although the altar at Mission Santa Barbara states that he died on the 10th of February). On 7 March 1847 at the San Carlos Mission at Monterey he married JOSEFA MORENO, who was born in California circa 1829 and died at Santa Barbara, 8 March 1904, aged 75 years. She was the daughter of Santiago and Francisca (Castro) Moreno.

He was educated at the Catholic mission school at Monterey and was a student of Prof. **W. E. P. Hartnell**. At the age of 19 he was appointed customs collector of Monterey, the second most important job in Mexican dominated California. He retained his prominence after the Americans invaded California, served as Judge of the Court of First Instance, and represented Santa Barbara at the Constitutional Convention. [HSLO]

Americans attempting to settle in California in the years following the Mexican War found that the best agricultural land had already been claimed. Over 12 million acres of land had been granted by the Spanish and Mexican government in huge ranchos to Spanish and naturalized citizens during the previous 75 years. The de la Guerra family held at least 15 of these grants comprising 445,533 acres. The Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo unconditionally guaranteed to the former Mexican citizens the protection of their property by the United States government.

Responding to the demands of the settlers for available land, Congress passed the Land Law of 1851 that required holders of Mexican grants to prove their validity. Pablo de la Guerra—fluent in English and trained in

Mexican law—took on the responsibility of bringing the de la Guerra estates through the Land Commission hearings. To do this, he enlisted the aid of his friend from the convention, **Henry Wager Halleck**. Together, they were able to save most of the family estates. Unfortunately, the drought of 1863-1865 caused the destruction of most of their livestock and forced them to mortgage their land. By 1870, when the United States patents confirming their ownership were finally issued, they had already lost their properties to creditors. [BEB]

Pablo de la Guerra served eight terms in the state senate, including service as senate president. In 1860, with the resignation of Gov. Milton S. Latham, he was advanced to the position of Lieutenant Governor. He was a strong Union supporter in the War of the Rebellion and helped in raising the California Battalion. In 1863, he was elected judge of the 5th judicial district. He held this position until he was forced to resign for reasons of health in December of 1873. [HSLO]

Children, surname *de la Guerra*,

3. i. FRANCISCA, b. Santa Barbara, 21 Sept. 1849.
 - ii. CARLOS, b. Santa Barbara; 10 July 1852; d. Santa Barbara, 15 June 1912; bur. Calvary Cemetery. He was an interpreter, teacher, and translator of Spanish.
 - iii. PAULINA, b. ca. 1855
 - iv. —, (twin) b. 21 March 1861, d. young.
 - v. DELFINA, (twin) b. 21 March 1861, d. in Santa Barbara, 25 Apr. 1953, bur. Old Mission Cemetery. She lived, for a time, at 19 E. de la Guerra St. in Santa Barbara.
 - vi. HERMINA, “Ermina”, b. ca. 1865, d. in Santa Barbara Co., 12 May 1927. She m. Santa Barbara, 17 Apr. 1895, LOUIS E. LEE. In 1911, they were living in Rochester, N.Y. They left no children.
 - vii. —, d. young

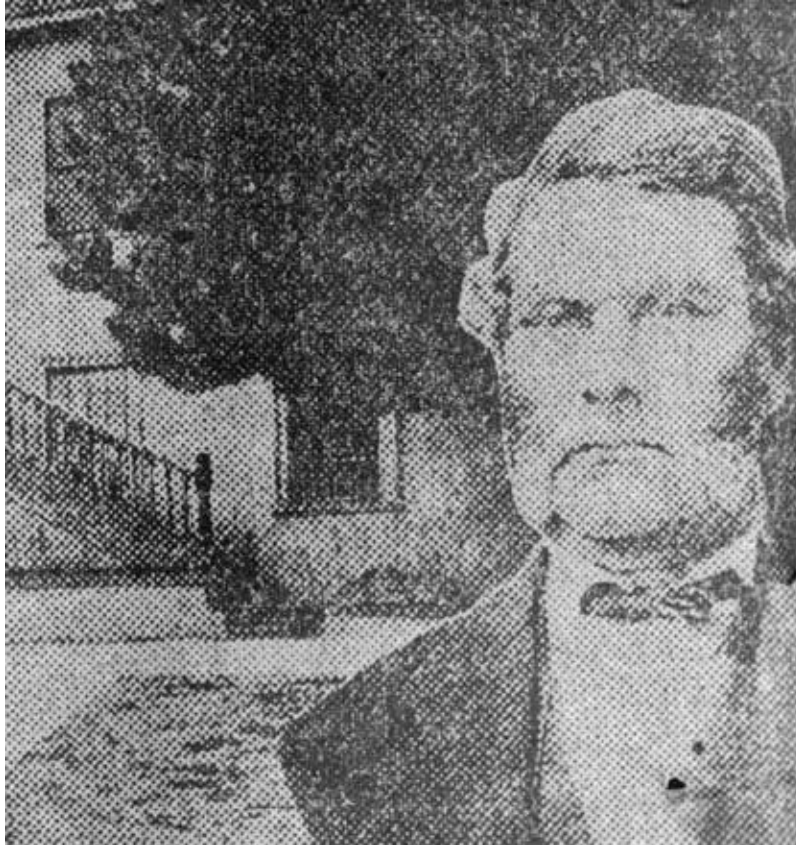
3. **FRANCISCA³ DE LA GUERRA** (*Pablo², Jose Antonio¹*) was born at Santa Barbara, 21 Sept. 1849 and died there 16 Aug. 1931, aged 82-10-26. She is buried at Calvary Cemetery. She married at Santa Barbara, 8 Dec. 1868, **THOMAS BLOODGOOD DIBBLEE**. Thomas Dibblee was the son of Filer and Frances (Wilson) Dibblee. He was born at Pine Plains, near Poughkeepsie, New York, 1 or 3 April, 1823 and died at Santa Barbara, 23 Nov. 1895, aged 72-7-22.

Children, surname *Dibblee*,

- i. YNEZ LEONOR, poetess, author of "Hacienda Memories", she went to New York in 1902 to study theater. She was living on Santa Barbara St. in Santa Barbara in 1954.
- ii. TERESA ANDREA, b. ca. 26 Sept. 1870; d. at Santa Barbara, 2 May 1896, aged 25-8-6.
- iii. HELENA DELFINA, "Delfine H."
- iv. HERMINIA CARMELITA, "Carmen", m. FRANCIS T. "Frank" UNDERHILL, who had three daughters by a prior marriage. He was born in New York City, 25 Feb. 1863, the son of James W. and Margaret A. (Varnum) Underhill. They resided in Santa Barbara and Montecito.
- 4. v. YSABEL MERCEDES, b. ca. 1877; m. Santa Barbara, 17 Dec. 1902, "FREDERICK" ALFRED REDINGTON POETT (born in S.F.). They resided in Santa Barbara, at Rancho San Julian near Lompoc and at Hillsborough. They had three children, *Frederica*, *Nancie Mercedes* and *Alfred Dibblee*.
- 5. vi. FRANCISCA JOSEFA "Panchita Francesia"; m. Santa Barbara, 12 Oct. 1899, WILLIAM THOMAS SUMMERS, son of Col. Samuel W. and Marian M. (Sheffield) Summers, born in 1867 at Ottumwa, Iowa. He was a banker in San Luis Obispo. They had two children, *Francisca Ynez* and *Harold Howard*.
- vii. WILLIAM C. H., d. ca. July 1956; res. San Luis Obispo.
- 6.viii. THOMAS WILSON, b. Santa Barbara, 22 March 1879; d. San Luis Obispo, 18 Dec. 1951. He m. Los Angeles, 6 Dec. 1910, ANITA VIRGINIA OREÑA, daughter of Dario and Herminia (Ortiz) Oreña. They res. Rancho San Julian, near Lompoc. They had four children, surname *Dibblee*: *Thomas Wilson*, *Anita Virginia*, *Yvonne* and *Richard Wakefield*.

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Luciano Rodriguez

The Family of Jacinto Rodriguez

1. **MIGUEL¹ RODRIGUEZ** of Compostela, Jalisco, Mexico, married, 11 Aug. 1782, PETRONA PATRON. They had children, including...

2. **JOSE AGUSTAN ANTONIO² RODRIGUEZ**, (*Miguel¹*), was born at Compostela, Jalisco, Mexico in 1754 and died at Monterey, 22 Oct. 1820. He is buried in the San Carlos Mission Cemetery. He married at San Gabriel Mission, 11 Aug. 1782, MARIA TRINIDAD VICENTA DE LEON (JUAREZ), daughter of Francisco Matias de Leon and Encarnacion de Haro of Rio de Cosala, Sinaloa, Mexico. Maria was born at Rio de Cosala circa 1751 and died at Watsonville, Cal., Feb. 1837 at the age of 86. She is buried at the Santa Cruz Mission. She arrived in California with the Rivera Party in 1781 with one son and another on the way. Her first husband, Francisco Juarez, died shortly after.

Jose Rodriguez enlisted in Lóreto, Mexico under Governor de Neve. As a recruit he was sent to the Presidio of San Diego in 1777. He served at San Gabriel Mission in 1781, in Monterey in 1782 and in San Francisco in 1790. He appears again in Monterey records in 1791, 1804 and 1813. His widow was at Rancho de la Trinidad, Monterey in 1836.

Children, surname *Rodriguez*,

3. i. SEBASTIAN, bp. 20 Jan 1785.
- ii. JOSE MARIA DE LOS DELORES, b. 30 Mar. 1787 at Monterey Presidio, San Carlos. He was a teacher in Monterey and in San Francisco.
- iii. MARGARITA, bp. at San Luis Obispo Mission 19 July 1789, d. Santa Cruz, 13 Sep. 1863; m. at Mission Santa Cruz, 1806, JOSE MARIA PEREZ.
- iv. ALEJANDRO, bp. 5 June 1791, d. Santa Cruz, 16 Sep. 1863; m. at Mission Santa Clara 3 Feb. 1815, CONCEPTION MARTINEZ Y GARCIA.
- v. JOSE BRIGIDO, bp. at Mission San Antonio de Padua, 8 Oct. 1793; d. Soquel, 28 Dec. 1879. Never married.
- vi. FRANCISCO DE SALES, b. at Monterey, 29 Jan. 1796, d. Santa Cruz, 25 July 1879; m. 1) MARIA RAFAELA CASTRO and 2) CONCEPTION VALENCIA BUELNA.

- vii. ROMAN, b. at Mission Santa Clara, 26 Feb. 1798, d. there 25 July 1879; m. 1) TERESA GERTRUDES SOTO Y BERRYESSA and 2) MARIA IGNACIA ALVISO.
- viii. FRANCESCA VICENTA, b. at Mission Santa Cruz, 11 Jan. 1802, d. Santa Cruz 1880; m. 1 Dec. 1821, JOAQUIN ANTONIO SANTOS ESCAMILLA.

Children of Maria de Leon and Francisco Juarez adopted by Jose Rodriquez:

- i. FRANCISCO XAVIER³, b. at Cosala, 1779; d. at Mission San Carlos, 12 Nov. 1840; m. at Mission Santa Barbara 17 Mar. 1802, MARIA DELORES COTA.
- ii. JOSE JOAQUIN, b. 28 July 1782 at Mission San Gabriel, d. at Santa Cruz, 22 Oct. 1861. He m. at Mission San Carlos 12 Nov. 1800, JOSEPHA PASQUALA LORANZANA.

3. **SEBASTIAN³ RODRIGUEZ**, (*Jose², Miguel¹*), was born at San Luis Obispo Mission, 20 Jan. 1785, and died at Pajaro Valley, Watsonville, 22 Sept. 1855. He married MARIA PERFECTA PACHECO (a first cousin of the first governor of California) at the Santa Clara Mission, 17 June 1808. She was the daughter of Bartolome Ignacio Pacheco de Valle and Maria Francesca Rafaela Soto y Espinosa and was baptized on 19 July 1790 at Mission Santa Clara. She died on 16 Aug. 1854 at Pajaro Valley. They are both buried at Holy Cross Cemetery at Mission Santa Cruz.

Sebastian was a Corporal (Commander of Guards) at San Juan Bautista, 1811-1812.

Children, surname *Rodriguez*, all born at Mission San Carlos unless otherwise noted:

- i. PEDRO REGALDO BERNADINO⁴, b. 20 May 1810; m. 1) GERTRUDE ESPINOSA and 2) TOMASA SALAZAR (CANDIDA).
 - ii. JOSE ANTONIO ANICETO DE JESUS, b. 18 Apr. 1811; m. at Mission San Juan Bautista, ca. 1834, MARIA VLARIA CASTRO (ELENA).
4. iii. CARLOS JACINTO, b. at Mission San Antonio, 5 Nov. 1812.
- iv. MARIA FRANCESCA RAFAELA YSABEL, b. 28 Aug. 1814; m. at San Carlos, 3 Oct. 1832, JOSE MARIA THEODORO VILLAVICENCIO (VILLA).
 - v. JOSE AVELINO (AQUELINO), b. 3 Jan. 1816, d. 9 June 1830.
 - vi. FRANCISCO SOLANO, b. 10 Sept. 1817; m. at San Carlos, 1850, CONCEPTION VILLAVICENCIO (VILLA).
 - vii. JOSEPHA TERESA DE JESUS, b. 30 Nov. 1821; m. 1) APOLANARIO LORENZANA and 2) JOHN P. "CHINO" LEWELLYN.

- viii. JUAN DESIDERIO ANTONIO, b. 12 Feb. 1823; m. 1) MARIA ISABEL JENKINS Y GARCIA and 2) MARIA DE LOS ANGELES VASQUEZ.
- ix. MARIA DE LA LUZ MARGARITA BERNABELA, b. 12 June, 1825; m. at Santa Cruz, 17 May 1851, JOSE DE LA CRUZ RODRIGUEZ, a first cousin.
- x. MARIA ANTONIA CLARA RUFINA TRINIDAD, b. 12 Aug. 1827 at Watsonville; m. at Santa Cruz, 31 Nov. 1847, FELIPE SANTIAGO ARMAS.
- xi. MARIA BARBARA DEL CARMEN, b. at Watsonville 5 Dec. 1828; m. 1) at Santa Cruz, 22 Sept. 1861, FELIPE GONZALES; 2) JOSE RODRIGUEZ; 3) _____ ESTRADA.
- xii. PRUDENCIA DEL RAMONA, b. 9 May 1831; m. FRANCISCO SOTO.

4. **CARLOS JACINTO⁴ RODRIGUEZ**, (*Sebastian³, Jose², Miguel¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born in the Pajaro Valley (now Watsonville) Nov. 1812* and was baptized 5 Nov. 1812 at the San Antonio Mission. He died at Monterey, 16 [or 14 per *SCI*] Dec. 1878. He married, in 1848 PEREGRINA PINTO Y AMADOR, born at Santa Cruz, [17] June 1829, died at Salinas 28 June 1904, aged 75 years 11 days; buried in the Monterey Cemetery. She was a daughter of Rafael and Maria Ygnacia (Amador) Pinto.

Carlos first appears in public records as a lieutenant of the militia in the employ of Alvarado in 1836. He was taught to read and write by his father. He was employed by the Mexican government, first as *alferez* of the Monterey company aiding in the arrest of the foreigners in 1840. In 1843, he became *celador* of the Monterey and San Francisco customhouse and held that position until California became part of the United States. In 1844, he received the grant of the Colusa rancho. This came to be known as Rancho Jacinto and gave the town of Jacinto its name. In 1849 he represented the Monterey district at the Constitutional Convention.

He built a mansion at the corner of Alvarado and Franklin streets and was still residing there when he died. He bought the first brick store from Curtis & Conover at the time the county seat was moved to Salinas. He left a considerable estate, primarily of property on the main business street in Monterey. [CC]

* Barrows and Ingersoll (1893) give his birthdate as 12 Jan. 1815.

Bancroft erroneously lists him with the wife and children of his cousin Facundo, son of Alejandro Rodriguez. This apparently comes from a misreading of the Branchiforte Padron of 1845.

Children, surname *Rodriguez*,

- i. AMELIA, b. ca. 1863; d. 1879 in Monterey, age about 16 years.
- ii. PORFIRIO, b. 1 Aug. 1849; d. 23 July 1877 in Monterey after a month-long illness. Unmarried.
- iii. CARLOS H., "Charles", b. 21 Jan. 1851 in Monterey. He was a bookkeeper for the Pacific Livestock Mutual Protection Association of Monterey. In 1893 he was a clerk at the law offices of Parker and Nougé, Salinas. Unmarried.
- iv. LABAN J., b. 1857; d. of lockjaw, 28 Aug. 1879 at Monterey. Unmarried.
- v. ALBANO, b. 1859; d. 1 May 1883 in San Benito Co. Unmarried.

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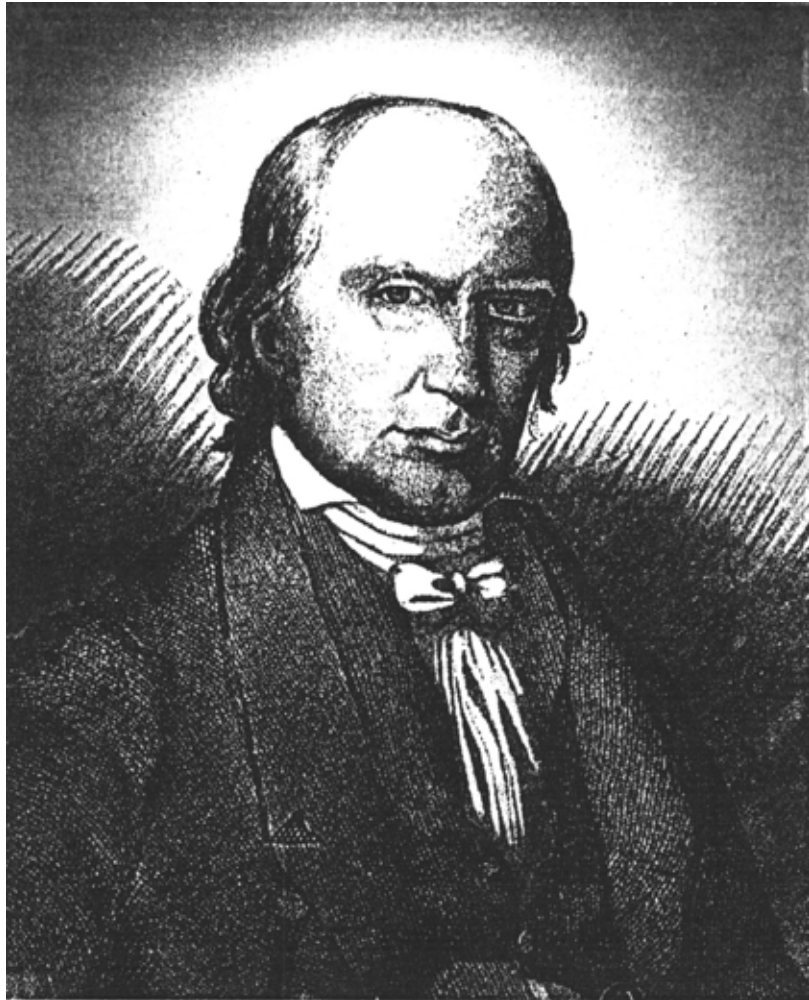
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Sonoma District

Robert Semple

Mariano G. Vallejo

Joel P. Walker



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The Family of Robert Baylor Semple

PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION

1. REV. JAMES^A SEMPLE, born in England; was Minister of Long Dreghorn, Ayrshire, Scotland. He married REBEKAH _____.

Children (incomplete), surname *Semple*:

2. i. JOHN¹, b. 1727
- ii. JAMES, b. 7 Sept. 1730; bp. 9 Oct., St Peter's, New Kent Co., Virginia.

2. JOHN¹ SEMPLE, (*James^A*) was born 1727 and died 1790. He married ELIZABETH WALKER. He emigrated from Scotland to Virginia in 1752 and resided in King and Queen Co., Virginia.

Children (incomplete), surname *Semple*:

3. i. JOHN² WALKER b. 18 Nov. 1761.
- ii. REV. ROBERT B., b. 1769, King and Queen Co.; m. LUCY CLARK.* He d. Fredericksburg, Virginia, 1831.

3. Major JOHN WALKER² SEMPLE (*John¹*) was born in King and Queen County, 18 Nov. 1761. He married LUCY ROBERTSON, daughter of Isaac Robertson, or perhaps daughter of Donald and Rachel (Rogers) Robertson. John Walker Semple was elected a member of the Virginia Assembly in March of 1776.

Children, surname *Semple* (incomplete)

- i. GEN. JAMES³, appellate judge in Illinois and State Senator; U.S. Minister to Colombia.
4. ii. ROBERT BAYLOR, b. 3 Feb. 1806
5. iii. LUCY BIRD

* *Quarterly of the Society of California Pioneers*, v. 6, No. 1, March, 1929, p. 31: Our Masonic Pioneers, by Oliver P Stidger. "Robert Semple was intimately related to George Rogers Clark of the Lewis and Clark Expedition."

- iv. CHARLES D., "Col.", b. in Kentucky, ca. 1814; d. 27 Feb. 1872. He came to California in Oct. of 1849 with his nephew, Will Semple Green, via New Orleans and the Isthmus of Panama. [GB3,SU]

4. **ROBERT BAYLOR³ SEMPLE**, (*John W.², John¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born on the "Mt. Radiance" farm in Cumberland Co., Kentucky, 3 Feb. 1806 and died at Alamo Ranch, Colusa Co., California, 25 Oct. 1854. [ALTA] He married 1) 18 Nov. 1828 SALLIE PARISH; 2) at California House in Benicia, 18 Nov. 1847, Miss FRANCES ANNE COOPER, daughter of Major Stephen and Malinda (Tate) Cooper [see following]. This is the earliest known marriage in California of two American emigrants.

After a youth spent dabbling in law, dentistry and medicine, he came to California in 1845 in an emigrant party led by **Lansford Hastings**. He immediately became part of **Augustus Sutter's** circle of friends and was given the assignment of finding a location where Sutter could build his mill. He eventually determined on the creek at Colusa. The mill was never completed for it was at this location that gold was discovered in 1848.

When the California Revolution broke out, he was with the group that hurried to Sonoma to arrest **General Vallejo**. He impressed upon this hastily assembled band the importance of organization and urged them to elect officers and respect the rights of citizens. He was almost singly responsible for the fair and dignified treatment given to the General. Vallejo and Semple subsequently became good friends.

After the capture of Sonoma, the group raised a flag decorated with a grizzly bear, a single star and a four-inch stripe stained with pokeberries on a white background. On it were painted the words, "The People's Rights." Afterwards, Semple wrote in praise of the men of the "Bear Party."

The party was made of men from the four quarters of the earth, and of every variety of occupation, and had been so much scattered over the country, that but few were acquainted with each other; having succeeded in two important efforts without resistance, without officers, and many of them had scarcely any definite plan or object; yet, be it said to their great credit, that they touched no private property, except horses to ride and beef to sustain life, and for many days lived alone on broiled beef, without bread, and in many cases without salt. All possible respect was paid to the families who remained at Sonoma; a degree of moderation was practised by the 'Bear

Party' which has never been experienced by any other people under similar circumstances. [HESP]

Semple served under Fremont with Fauntleroy's Dragoons during the revolution, but after a year of service, the army was unable to supply him with clothing to fit his nearly six foot eight frame or shoes for his equally large feet.

By the time he resigned from the army, he had already laid out plans to publish a newspaper in Monterey, a town he had visited twice while in the service. He obtained an old press and on 15 Aug. 1846 commenced publication of the *Californian*, the first newspaper published in California.

Only a few weeks after putting out the first issues, he left the business in the hands of his partner **Walter Colton**, while he went to Yerba Buena to set up a regular mail service between the two cities. Delayed by the war, service commenced 19 Apr. 1847.

On 22 Dec. 1846, General Vallejo rewarded Semple with a grant of land at the Carquinez Straits where Semple was planning to establish a great city named Francesca, after Vallejo's wife. Only later did they discover that an 1834 grant by Vallejo had established the Pueblo of San Francisco at the Golden Gate. After several months, Semple capitulated and agreed to name his town Benicia.

To further his development plans, Semple took on **Thomas O. Larkin** as a partner. But Larkin's interests were elsewhere, notably in properties he held in San Francisco, and Semple was eventually forced to buy him out.

Semple himself could not avoid the lure of the competing city. It was to San Francisco that he moved his newspaper in May of 1847. In 1846, a single adobe house stood at the site of Benicia, occupied by Lansford W. Hastings, but the town became a major stopping point for travelers going to and from the gold mines as Semple's ferry saved a lot of time and effort in the journey. By 1850, the demand for houses was greater than the supply.

Although still recovering from an attack of typhoid, he was one of only ten people to arrive at the Constitutional Convention on time. When a quorum finally allowed business to continue, he was elected president.

His former host, Captain Sutter, and his former prisoner, Mariano Vallejo, escorted the ailing man to the president's chair.

In the debates, he opposed monopolies successfully. He opposed allowing free Americans of African descent into the state in the interest of protecting white people's jobs, but found himself in a small minority on this issue. He also spoke in opposition to dueling.

He failed in his bid for the governor's office in 1851. [*HESP,CBB*]

In 1853, Robert Semple and Will S. Green obtained some land about five miles south of the present-day town of Williams. He called this his "Alamo Rancho." It was here in 1854, that Robert Semple was thrown from his horse and died a few days later from his injuries. He was originally buried at the Alamo Rancho and later moved to Williams Cemetery. [*HESP,CH*]

Child by first wife, surname *Semple*,

- i. JOHN WALKER⁴, b. 17 Sept. 1830; d. 21 Feb. 1850 and is buried in the Benicia Cemetery. He arrived in California in October of 1849 at the age of 17.

Child by second wife:

6. ii. MARY BENICIA, 22 Nov. 1848, Benicia

5. **LUCY BIRD³ SEMPLE**, (*John W.², John¹*), married DR. HENRY LEWIS GREEN; died 7 June 1871, near Albany, Clinton Co., Kentucky.

Child, surname *Green*,

7. i. WILL SEMPLE⁴, b. 26 Dec. 1832, Horseshoe Bottom, Russell Co. Kentucky.

6. **MARY BENICIA⁴ SEMPLE**, (*Robert B.³, John W.², John¹*) was born at Benicia, 22 Nov. 1848 and died 5 May 1922 in Hollywood. She married at Colusa, 15 Aug. 1870, HOSEA B. WYNN TURMAN, son of ISAAC and FRANCES TURMAN), who was born in Clark Co., Ohio[†] 24 Jan. 1846. She

[†] Hosea B. Wynn Turman, crossed the plains in six months in 1854 from Wabash, Indiana, arriving in Petaluma in November of that year. Resided in Sonoma, Modoc, Colusa and Glenn Cos. Moved to Colusa in 1867. He m. 2) 19 June 1902, Mrs. Susan H. (Lull) Nye, dau. of Dr. Almon and Maria L. (Morrison) Lull, widow of Uriah S. Nye with 5 children; b. 1845 in Madison, Wisc., came to Cal. in 1853, d. 28 May, 1908 in Willows. Hosea m. 3) Meta Stephens Toohy. He d. at Willows, Cal., age 87. [*SV,GBI*]

spelled the name "Truman." She was chosen Past Grand President, Native Daughters of the Golden West when the grand parlor was organized in 1887. She is buried in Rosedale Cemetery. [GB6,LAT]

Children, surname *Turman*,

- i. OSCAR BARTLETT⁵, b. at Bartlett Springs, Lake Co., California, 6 Sept. 1871; and d. at Colusa 2 Dec. 1905. Unm.
- ii. JOSEPH BENTON L., b. 1874, Colusa, and d. at Los Angeles, 10 Sept. 1931. He m. 1) FANNIE ALLEN of Colusa, 2) EILEEN MILLER of Willows. Two children, *Hosea Vivian* and *Rita*.
- iii. LOUIS FRANK C., b. 28 July 1876, Colusa. He m. 2 Feb. 1915, Walla Walla, Washington, BERTHA WHITNEY. They resided in Willows in 1932. Two children, *Frances Louise* and *Vivian*.
- iv. ROBERT SEMPLE, b. 22 Aug. 1878, Colusa; m. ELLA BROCKMAN July 1914.

7. **WILL SEMPLE⁴ GREEN**, (*Lucy B. Semple³, John W.², John¹*) was born 26 Dec. 1832 at Horseshoe Bottom, Russell Co., Kentucky, and died at San Francisco 2 July 1905. He married 1) in 1862 JOSEPHINE DAVIS of Sycamore, daughter of Howell Davis, formerly of Mississippi. She died 29 May 1881. He married 2) SALLIE MORGAN, in 1890.

He was the founder of the town of Colusa, editor of the *Colusa Sun*, County Surveyor, Superintendent of Schools, State Assemblyman, State Treasurer. He was also a Director of the Stoney Creek Canal Co. and an advocate of development of water resources for the Sacramento valley. His autobiography appears in his *History of Colusa Co., California and General History of the State*, pp. 74-77.

Child, surname *Green*,

- i. ZOE⁵ LUCY, m. FRANK C. RADCLIFFE; res. Berkeley. Two children.
- ii. MAY LUELLA, m. _____ HARTON
- iii. GENEVIEVE, m. CARRETT MCENERNY
- iv. LOUIS ROBERTSON
- v. ANNA RAPHAEL, m. _____ MALONEY
- vi. DONALD ALOYSIUS

The Cooper Family

1. Major **STEPHEN¹ COOPER**, was born 10 March 1797 in Kentucky and died at Winters, California, 15 May 1890. He married MALINDA TATE, who was born about 1802, and died 1872.

He was descended from a Virginia family and a veteran of the War of 1812 and the Mohawk War. He removed to California in 1846, coming first to Yountville, and in 1847 he became one of the first settlers of Benicia. He is said to have written President Polk telling of Marshall's discovery of gold at Coloma. He was a member of the Society of California Pioneers, San Francisco. [GB2]

Children, surname *Cooper*:

2. i. FRANCIS ANNE², b. ca. 1825, Missouri
 - ii. SARCHEL, "owner Park's Bar 1848", d. ca. 1874, Colusa.
3. iii. SUSAN, b. ca. 1831, Missouri
 - iv. ELIZABETH, b. ca. 1836, Missouri; m. WALTER CALMES.
 - v. THOMAS BENTON, b. ca. 1838, Missouri; came to California in 1846; res. Modoc Co. in 1885; d. ca. Jan. 1929 in Sacramento, aged 91 years. Seven children. [GB4]
 - vi. MARTHA B., b. ca. 1841, m. AMOS ROBERTS

2. **FRANCIS ANNE² COOPER**, (*Stephen¹*) was born in Missouri circa 1825. She married 1) 28 Nov. 1847, at "California House", in Benicia, ROBERT BAYLOR SEMPLE (one child, see before). She married 2) 1 Feb. 1857, JOSEPH PULSIFER who was born circa 11 Aug. 1821, and died at Williams, California, 4 Nov. 1869. She married 3) 5 or 7 May 1872, JAMES N. VAN WINKLE.

Additional children, surname *Pulsifer*,

- ii. JOSEPH³, b. 5 July 1859, d. 25 July 1898.
- iii. RUTH
- iv. MARTHA D., m. _____ ROBERTS and had one daughter, *Mrs. Frank Jacobs*, surviving in 1913.

3. **SUSAN² COOPER**, (*Stephen¹*), was born in Missouri circa 1831; married JOHN REED WOLFSKILL, son of Joseph and Margaret (Reed-Reid)

Wolfskill who was born near Richmond, Kentucky, 16 Sept. 1804, and died at Winters, 1897.

Children (incomplete), surname *Wolfskill*:

- i. LINNIE³, d. 1929. Her husband was a councilman. [GB5]

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M. J. Vallejo

The Family of

Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo

1. **GERONIMO¹ VALLEJO**, of New Galicia (Jalisco), Mexico, descended from a brother of Admiral Alonzo Vallejo, “a Hidalgo of honorable character” who escorted Christopher Columbus back to Spain when Bobadilla took over as governor of the conquered territories. The Vallejos settled in New Galicia in 1519. Geronimo married ANTONIA GOMEZ.

Children, surname *Vallejo*, incomplete

- i. JUAN JOSE², priest
2. ii. IGNACIO VICENTE FERRER, b. 1748

2. **IGNACIO VICENTE FERRER² VALLEJO**, (*Geronimo¹*) was born at Las Canadas, the family estate, 29 July 1748 and died at Monterey 10 May 1832. He was described in his army enlistment papers as 5 ft. 5½ inches tall, with brown hair, gray eyes, short nose, full beard, and fair complexion. He married Dona MARIA ANTONIA ISABELA LUGO. He was a guest at the San Luis Obispo home of her father, Don Francisco Lugo on 1 Sept. 1776, the day of her birth. Lugo’s wife, Dona Juana Maria Rita Martinez, was in labor and Ignacio Vallejo, medically trained while studying to be a priest, was the most qualified person to act as physician. In return for his services, he requested the infant’s hand in marriage when she came of age.

Nothing is known of his early life, but in 1773, at the age of 25, he enlisted at Compostela under Rivera for service in Padre Junipero Serra’s California expedition. He arrived in San Diego with Lieutenant Ortega, Sept. 1774.

Maria Antonia Lugo Vallejo died at the home of John B. R. Cooper, 7 May 1855.

Children, surname *Vallejo*,

- i. MARIA ISIDORA³, b. 13 May 1792; m. MARIANO SOBERANES; their daughter *Maria Ignacia* m. Dr. Edward T. Bale. They settled in Sonoma.
- 3. ii. MARIA JOSEFA, b. 19 Mar. 1794
- iii. JOSE IGNACIO, b. 1 Feb. 1796; not married.
- iv. JOSE DE JESUS, b. at San Jose, 10 Jan. 1798; d. at Salinas, 6 Jan. 1882; m. SOLEDAD SANCHEZ. She died 10 yrs. later.
- v. JUANA MARIA GERTRUDIS, b. 27 Jan. 1800; not married
- vi. MARIA MAGDALENA, bp. 23 July 1803; d. July 1825; m. ANTONIO DEL VALLE. They had one child, *Magdalena*, who was raised by her grandmother.
- vii. MARIA PRUDENCIANA, bp. 20 May 1805; m. JOSE AMESTI; he d. before 1858. Their daughter *Carmen* m. James McKinley.
- 4.viii. MARIANO GUADALUPE, b. 4 July 1807
- ix. MARIA GERONIMA ENCARNACION, "*Tia Chichita*", b. 24 Mar. 1809; m. JOHN B. R. COOPER. She was still alive in 1895.
- 5. x. MARIA PAULA ROSALIA, b. 25 Jan. 1811
- xi. JOSE MANUEL SALVADOR DEL MUNDO, b. 1 Jan. 1813, bp. at Mission San Carlos de Monterey, 3 Jan. 1813; d. 17 Feb. 1876. He m. MARIA DE LA LUZ CARILLO, a sister of his brother Mariano's wife.
- xii. MARIA DE JESUS, *Sister Maria Teresa* b. 31 Dec. 1814
- xiii. ANTONIO JUAN BAUTISTA, b. 24 June 1816, d. 26 May 1857 as the result of a fall from a horse while lassoing a bull. He settled in Pajaro Valley.

3. **MARIA JOSEPHA³ VALLEJO**, married 1) 26 May 1808, JOSE FRANCISCO ALVARADO, 2) 18 June 1812, JOSE RAIMUNDO ESTRADA, was born circa 1790 at Lóreto, Mexico, and came to California in 1806 with his brother Jose Mariano. He was at Monterey in 1808, and a cadet in the Monterey company in 1818. 3) 12 May 1831, BENIFACIO MADARIAGA of Mexico City.

Children, surname *Alvarado*,

- 6. i. JUAN BAUTISTA⁴, b. ca. 1809

Children, surname *Estrada*,

- ii. JOSE ANTONIO JUAN CHINACO Y RICARDO, b. 30 Mar. 1813

- iii. MARIA JOSEFA CASILDA ANICETA, bp. 17 Apr. 1814 at Mission San Carlos de Monterey Royal Chapel; d. in the 1890's. She m. ca. 1836 Don JOSE ABREGO.
- iv. JOSE JOAQUIN TOMAS, b. 18 Dec. 1815
- v. JOSE FRANCISCO FULGENCIO, b. 16 Feb. 1818
- vi. JOSE GUADALUPE RAFAEL PAIAS, b. 24 Feb. 1820
- vii. PEDRO PASCUAL, b. 22 Oct. 1822
- viii. LUIS ANTONIO FRANCISCO, bp. 14 Feb. 1824
- ix. MARIA RITA, b. 30 Mar. 1826
- x. MARIA RAMONA, bp. 19 May 1828

4. General **MARIANO GUADALUPE³ VALLEJO**, signer of the California Constitution, remains one of the most celebrated figures in the history of California. He was born at Monterey, California, 4 July 1807. He married, 6 Mar. 1832, Dona FRANCISCA BENICIA CARRILLO, born in San Diego, 23 Aug. 1815 (see *Carrillo*, below). She died at Lachryma Montis in Sonoma, 30 Jan. 1891. General Vallejo died 18 Jan. 1890 in the presence of his wife and family. He and his wife are buried in the Mountain Cemetery at Sonoma.

Gen. Vallejo's life has been well studied, so only a few highlights will be presented here. He entered the Mexican military service in 1823 and by 1829 had been placed in charge of the Presidio of San Francisco. He held the post for six years, during which time he organized the first civil government of San Francisco and distinguished himself in the war against the rebellious native, Estanislao.

In 1834, after having warned his government against the possibility of encroaching Russian influence in the north, Gen. Vallejo was named a substitute member of Congress, was granted the Petaluma rancho and was made director of colonization for the northern frontier. He arrived at the Sonoma pueblo in December of that year and founded the town of Solano (later renamed Sonoma) shortly after. In 1836 he was appointed Commandante-General of California and advanced to the rank of colonel. He held that position until 1842 when the civil and military governments were united and he turned over his position to Micheltorena. The following year, his land grant was extended to include the Soscol Rancho.

In opposition to the policy of his home government, he befriended many of the settlers arriving from the United States and in the junta convened by Castro at Monterey in 1846 to decide the fate of California, he made an impassioned speech for annexation to the United States. Unsure of victory, he and his followers left the junta, depriving it of a quorum and putting an end to the possibility of European intervention.

1846 was also the year of the Bear Flag revolt, during which he was taken prisoner and held at Sutter's Fort. He was later awarded damages by the United States for losses he suffered during this time. Working with **Robert Semple** and **Thomas Larkin**, he drew up plans for establishing a new city on the Carquinez straits in his Soscol tract. The city was named Benicia, in honor of his wife.

In 1849, he served as a representative from Sonoma to the Constitutional Convention in Monterey. He was the first state senator from the Sonoma district and continued to be active in politics and society thereafter.

Late in his life, Gen. Vallejo turned over all his private papers to the historian, Bancroft, who used them as the foundation of his history of California. Their relationship turned sour after publication of the work, when the general and the historian found they had substantially different interpretations of history.

Children, surname *Vallejo*,

- i. ANDONICO ANTONIO⁴, b. at Los Angeles, 14 March 1833; d. 21 Jan. 1834; bur. at Mission Dolores
- ii. ANDONICO ANTONIO, b. in San Francisco, 28 April 1834; d. 11 Feb. 1897 in his little apartment above a Mrs. White's millinery store at Vallejo.
7. iii. EPIFANIA DE GUADALUPE, b. 4 Aug. 1835
8. iv. ADELAYDA, "Adela", b. 3 Jan. 1837 in the Casa Grande
9. v. NATALIA, b. 12 Feb. 1838
- vi. PLUTARCO, b. 10 June 1839, d. ca. 1841
10. vii. PLATON MARIANO GUADALUPE, b. 5 Feb. 1841
- viii. GUADALUPE, b. 29 Apr. 1843; d. 11 Jan. 1847
11. ix. JOVITA FRANCISCA, b. 23 Feb. 1844

- 12. x. ULADISLAO, b. 6 Nov. 1845
 - xi. PLUTARCO, b. 13 Nov. 1847, d. 1848, age 3 mos.
 - xii. BENICIA, b. 21 Jan. 1849, d. 31 Jan. 1853
- 13.xiii. NAPOLEON PRIMO, b. 8 Dec. 1850
 - xiv. BENICIA ISABEL, b. 30 Apr. 1853, d. 13 Jan. 1859, age 6
- 14. xv. MARIA LUISA EUGENIA, b. 27 Jan. 1856
- 15.xvi. MARIA IGNACIA, b. 8 May 1857

5. **MARIA ROSALIE³ VALLEJO**, (*Ignacio², Geronimo¹*), was born 25 Jan. 1811. She married 12 Apr 1837, JACOB PRIMER LEESE, born about 1809 in Ohio. They bought Thomas Larkin's house in Monterey. Following the takeover of California by the U.S., Rosalia was very resentful towards English speakers. She and her husband separated and he went east to New York and remarried. Later he returned to San Francisco, where he died 2 Feb. 1892 at the age of 83.

Children, surname *Leese*,

- i. ROSALIE, b. ca. 1837
- ii. JACOB, b. ca. 1838
- iii. POMPOSA, b. ca. 1840
- iv. LOUIS, b.c. 1843
- v. MANUEL, b. ca. 1845
- vi. DAVID, b. ca. 1846
- vii. ADALINA, b. ca. 1848

6. **JUAN BAUTISTA⁴ ALVARADO**, (*Maria Vallejo³...*) led a rebellion against the Mexican regime and established himself as temporary governor until 1842. He died 13 July 1882. He married MARTINA CASTRO. [CEN60]

Children, surname *Alvarado* (incomplete),

- i. JUAN B.⁵, JR., b. ca. 1845
- ii. AUGUST, b. ca. 1847
- iii. SELADRIA?, b. ca. 1852

iv. VALENTINE, b. ca. 1855

v. HENRIQUE, b. ca. 1858

7. **EPIFANIA DE GUADALUPE⁴ VALLEJO**, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*), was born in one of the rooms of the deserted San Francisco Solano Mission, 4 Aug. 1835, two months after the family arrived in Sonoma. She died at Cuatla, Mexico, 14 Feb. 1905, where she had been taken in the hope of restoring her failing health.

She married on 3 Apr. 1851, Capt. JOHN B. FRISBIE, of Company H of Stevenson's Regiment. He had been stationed at the Presidio of San Francisco under Major James A. Hardie and was the officer sent to the Sierras to report on the rumors of gold there. Upon his return, Company H was transferred to Sonoma, where they arrived 5 Aug. 1848. After the establishment of the State of California, John Frisbie ran for the post of Lieutenant Governor on the ticket with **Augustus Sutter**. He was defeated by **John McDougal**, running on Burnett's ticket. Captain and Mrs. Frisbie were guests at Lincoln's inaugural ball in 1861. He died at Calle Ancha, Mexico, 10 May 1909.

Children, surname *Frisbie*,

i. MARIANO GUADALUPE⁵, b. 29 July 1852, d. 6 June 1856

16. ii. FANNIE NATALIA, b. 3 Dec. 1855, m. 23 Sept. 1875 ANTONIO DE SEQUEIRA

iii. BENICIA, b. 1857

iv. PAMELA OR MINNIE, b. 1859

v. SARAH MONICA, b. 4 May, 1861, m. 28 June 1883, JOSEPH LA MOTTE MORGAN of Georgetown, S.C. by the Archbishop of Mexico in his private quarters.

vi. JOHN BERNARD, b. 17 Apr. 1863

vii. LUIS PLATON, b. 30 March 1865

viii. JOSEFINA, b. 1867

ix. DAVID FARRAGUT, 12 Aug. 1869, d. Apr. 1874

x. LEO, b. 1871

xi. MINNIE, b. 1873

xii. MAGDALENA, b. 1877

8. **ADELAYDA⁴ VALLEJO**, “Adela”, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*) was born 3 Jan. 1837 and died 2 Apr. 1895 in Vallejo. She is buried at the Mountain Cemetery. She married at 4 P.M., 26 July 1858, Dr. LEVI CORNELL FRISBIE, elder brother of John B. Frisbie (above). He was born at Albany, New York, 1 May 1821 and died the Friday before 4 Oct. 1892.

Child, surname *Frisbie*,

- i. FRANCISCA ADELAYDA⁵, “Lily”, b. 19 May 1859; m. at Syracuse, New York, 25 Oct. 1877, DENNIS MCCARTHY and died 12 June 1881 at Syracuse as a result of a failed childbirth.

9. **NATALIA⁴ VALLEJO**, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*), was born at Sonoma, 12 Feb. 1838, and died at her daughter Tala’s home in Oakland, 30 July 1913. She is buried in the Mountain Cemetery in Sonoma. She married, 1 June 1863, ATTILA HARASZTHY, in a double wedding with her sister Jovita.

Children, surname *Haraszthy*,

- i. ATTILA AGOSTO DE GUADALUPE⁵, b. 2 Aug. 1864, d. in infancy.
- ii. MARIANO, b. 6 Sept. 1865
- iii. AGOSTON, “Gusti”, m. ELIZABETH MERRY
- iv. ELEANORA BENICIA, “Lolita”
- v. NATALIA, “Tala”, m. ????. Her daughter was the actress and dancer, *Natalie Kingston*, who starred opposite Frank Merrill in the silent serials *Tarzan the Mighty* and *Tarzan the Tiger*.

10. Dr. **PLATON MARIANO GUADALUPE⁴ VALLEJO**, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*), was born 5 Feb. 1841 and died at the residence of Adela Peters, 1 June 1925. He is buried at St. Vincent’s Cemetery between Vallejo and Benicia. He married LILY WILEY of Burlington, N.Y., whom he met on board ship while he was working for the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. They were married on 14 Nov. 1867 at Trinity Episcopal Church in San Francisco. She died 5 June 1885 at the age of 36.

He took time off from his studies at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York to volunteer as a surgeon in the New York

Sanitary Commission and served at Bull Run and other battles. He returned to school later and graduated in 1864.

Children, surname *Vallejo*,

- i. MARIA FELIPA⁵, b. 11 March 1872
- ii. FRANCISCA, b. 18 July 1875; m. CHARLES MCGETTIGAN, 22 Jan. 1902
- iii. ADELA, b. 12 Oct. 1879; m. _____ PETERS; res. at 420 Carolina St.
- iv. ANGELA, b. 1884

11. **JOVITA⁴ VALLEJO**, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*) was born 23 Feb. 1844 and died 5 May 1878. She married, 1 June 1863, ARPAD HARASZTHY, born at Futtak, South Hungary (now Yugoslavia) 28 June 1840, son of Col. Agoston Haraszthy and Countess Eleanor. The colonel was a nobleman and vintner who came to Wisconsin with his parents. His mother died there and his father married Matilda Richardson of Massachusetts. They came to California upon hearing of the discovery of gold. Arpad, travelling in France at his father's expense, returned with instructions for making Champagne and the family established the Buena Vista Winery in Sonoma. He died in November of 1900.

Children, surname *Haraszthy*,

- i. AGOSTINE⁵, b. 11 Apr. 1864
- ii. CARLOS JUAN ULADISLAO
- iii. JOVITA, b. 1878, d. in infancy.

12. **ULADISLAO⁴ VALLEJO**, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*) was born 6 Nov. 1845, and lived in Guatemala where he met and married MARIA _____. He brought shame to his father when, as Tax Collector for the city of Vallejo, he stole the entire tax levy and disappeared to Guatemala. His father made good on the money.

Children, surname *Vallejo*,

- i. MARIANO PRUDENCIO⁵
- ii. ULA FRANCISCO

- iii. MARIA JESUS, m. LEONIDAS GALINDO RANGEL and had a child, *Guerda Judith Rangel*

13. **NAPOLEON PRIMO⁴ VALLEJO**, (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*) was born 8 Dec. 1850 and died 5 Oct. 1912. He married 20 Oct. 1875 at the bride's residence in Oakland, MARTHA BROWN, born July 1854, daughter of Harvey S. Brown, attorney for Southern Pacific Co. Napoleon was a salesman and spent much time on the road, which eventually led to their divorce, 2 Dec. 1890. Only 21 days later, on 12 Jan. 1891, he married Miss KATE LEIGH STOKES, the daughter of a tavern keeper. She died, and in June of 1911 he and his first wife remarried.

Children, surname, *Vallejo*, by first wife,

- i. HARVEY BROWN⁵, b. Nov. 1878; m. GRACE _____ and had daughter *Jovita*.

by second wife,

- ii. JOVITA

14. **LUISA EUGENIA⁴ VALLEJO**, "Lulu", (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*) was born 27 Jan. 1856 at Lachryma Montis and died 23 July 1943. She married RICARDO DE EMPARAN, son of Jose de Emparan and Countess Anna de Arriola, both members of Spanish families of distinction in Vera Cruz, Mexico. Ricardo was Mexican consul to San Diego. Luisa returned to Lachryma Montis for the births of each of their children. Ricardo died on 4 June 1902 while on a business trip to Mexico.

Luisa was a singer and recorded *Estrellita* and *La Golondrina*. She became president of the Sonoma Valley Women's Club in 1919. At the age of 77, with the agreement of her sister Maria, she sold Lachryma Montis to the California State Park Commission and was appointed first curator of the museum at the historic Vallejo home in Sonoma.

Children, surname *Emparan*,

- i. ANITA ADELA FRANCISCA⁵, b. 7 June 1883; m. Dr. MILO THOMSON
- ii. CARLOS HIDALGO, b. 14 Sept. 1884; m. 24 Apr. 1919, AGNES MOSS of Geyserville. They had a son, ROBERT, who m. PHYLLIS REED, June 1951.
- iii. RAOUL RICARDO ROLANDO, b. 30 Oct. 1885; executive at Crane Company in San Francisco; returned to Sonoma in 1914 to manage the Sonoma Water Co. for his

mother; m. 1) 7 Nov. 1928, JULIA SHEEHAN; 2) 27 Dec. 1965, Mrs. MADELEINE LUISA "MADIE" BROWN. She had three children by her previous marriage to Edmund N. Brown.

15.MARIA IGNACIA⁴ VALLEJO, "Maria", (*Mariano³, Ignacio², Geronimo¹*) was born 8 May 1857 and died 10 March 1932. She is buried at the Mountain Cemetery. She married at a Mr. Hooper's house in Sonoma Valley, 12 May 1878, JAMES HARRY CUTTER, Jr., son of J. H. Cutter, Sr., Harbor master of San Francisco in 1860. They settled in San Francisco. He died in 1925.

Children, surname *Cutter*,

- i. LEO⁵, "Tweedy", b. 10 Feb. 1879 at Lachryma Montis
- ii. ALMA, "Alma Linda", b. 1 Oct. 1881 at Lachryma Montis, where she was delivered by her grandmother. She married ROBERT MCLENNAN.

16.FANNIE NATALIA⁵ FRISBIE, (*Epifania Vallejo⁴, Mariano³,...*) was born 3 Dec. 1855. She married on 23 Sept. 1875, ANTONIO DE SEQUEIRA.

Children, surname *de Sequeira*,

- i. AGOSTO
- ii. JUANITA

Carillo Family

JOAQUIN CARRILLO, was born in Baja California, and married MARIA IGNATIUS LOPEZ, 6 March 1776. They had seven daughters and five sons, including...

- i. JULIO
- ii. JOSE RAMON
- iii. FRANCISCA BENICIA, b. 23 Aug. 1815, San Diego; m. Gen. MARIANO GUADALUPE VALLEJO (see above)
- iv. MARIA DE LA LUZ, b. ca. 1813, m. 8 Sept. 1840, Don SALVADOR VALLEJO

Lopez Family

JOSE FRANCISCO LOPEZ married **MARIA FELICIANO ARBALLO DE GUTIERREZ**, 20-year-old widow of Jose Gutierrez, a Royal soldier killed by natives in Mexico. She had two children by her first husband, Maria Thomasa (age 6) and Maria Estaquia (age 4). The family was travelling with the DeAnza's expedition. Maria Estaquia Gutierrez married Don Jose Maria Pico and was the mother of Pio and Andres Pico.

Children, surname *Lopez*,

- i. IGNACIO
- ii. JOSE
- iii. JOSEFA, m. _____ VEJAR
- iv. JUANA, m. JUAN OSUNA
- v. MARIA ANTONIA, m. JOSE MARIA AGUILAR
- vi. MARIA YGNACIA, m. JOAQUIN CARRILLO (above)

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- FRIS** Frisbee (1919)
- HAC** Murro-Fraser (1883)
- HUNT** Hunt (1926)
- PR** Bancroft (1890)
- SHINN** Shinn (1896)



Joel P Walker

The Family of Joel Patterson Walker

1. **JOHN¹ WALKER**, of Wigton, Scotland, was the son of John Walker and Jane McKnight. He was born circa 1770 and died at Chester Co., Penn. Sept. 1734. He married 7 Jan. 1702, **KATHERINE RUTHERFORD**, daughter of John Rutherford and Isabella Allein. She died in 1738. They were both buried at the Nottingham Meeting House.

They originally settled in Newry, Ireland. He and his family, with three of his brother Alexander's children, sailed from Strangford Bay in May, 1726 (or 1728 or 1732, depending on the source) on a ship commanded by a Richard Walker. They landed in Maryland, 2 Aug. and settled in Chester Co., Penn. At the time of his death, the family was considering moving on to Virginia. John had already purchased land in Rockbridge Co. and erected a small building there. [WG]

Children, surname Walker,

- i. **ELIZABETH²²**, b. Apr. 1703, m. **JOHN CAMPBELL**.
- ii. **JOHN**, b. Mar. 1705, m. **ANN HOUSTON** or **HUDSON**.
- iii. **JAMES**, b. 17 Mar. 1707, m. **MARY GUFFY**.
- iv. **THOMAS**, d. young.
- v. **WILLIAM**, d. young.
- vi. **JANE**, b. May 1712, m. **JAMES MOORE**.
- 2. vii. **SAMUEL**, b. 25 Dec. 1714.
- viii. **ALEXANDER**, b. 19 May 1716, m. **JANE HAMMER** or **HUMMER**.
- ix. **ESTHER**, d. young.
- x. **JOSEPH**, b. 15 July 1722, m. 1) **NANCY MCCLUNG**, 2) **GRIZELDA MCCROSKY**.
- xi. **MARY**

2. **SAMUEL² WALKER**, (*John¹*) was born at Newry, Ireland, 25 Dec. 1714, and died Feb. 1793. He came to Chester Co., Penn. with his father in 1735, but purchased land in Virginia and established his home there

about 1740. He was captured by Shawnee Indians and married 5 June 1740, JANE PATTERSON, said by one source to be a sister of Chief Tecumseh of the Shawnee Tribe. She died 10 Jan. 1800 at the age of 80 years.

He obtained grants of land in three different Virginia counties between 1768 and 1773 in return for his service in the colonial wars, however, they settled in Roane Co., Tennessee and later moved on to Independence, Missouri. They had eight children. [WG]

Children, surname Walker,

- i. BARBARA³³, b. 27 Sept. 1741, m. WILLIAM MCCLELLAND
- ii. KATHERINE, b. 12 Feb. 1744, m. DAVID SCOTT
- iii. JANE, b. 15 Apr. 1746, m. WILLIAM TAYLOR
- iv. SAMUEL, b. 23 Aug. 1748, m. SUSAN McDONALD, d. on the plains on route to California.
- v. ELIZABETH, b. 8 Dec. 1750.
- vi. JAMES, b. 15 May 1752, m. JANE THOMPSON
- vii. JOHN, b. 5 Oct. 1755, m. MARGARET PAUL
- 3.viii. JOSEPH, b. 21 Oct. 1758.
- ix. JOEL, b. 1 March 1764, m. MARGARET ANN ARMSTRONG.

3. **JOSEPH³ WALKER**, (*Samuel², John¹*) was born 21 Oct. 1758, and married SUSAN WILLIS in Aug. 1787. He came from Rockbridge Co. Va. to Knox Corner, Knoxville, Tenn. about 1801 and settled in Fort Osage, Jackson Co., Mo. about 1817. [WG]

Children, surname Walker,

- i. LUCINDA⁴, b. Feb. 1790, m. AMBROSE TOOMY.
- ii. JANE P., b. 2 Dec. 1791, m. ABRAHAM MCCLELLAND d. Missouri, 1824.
- 4. iii. SAMUEL S., b. 1794.
- 5. iv. JOEL PATTERSON, b. Goochland Co., Va., 20 Nov. 1797.
- v. JOSEPH REDDEFORD, b. Roane Co., Tenn. 13 Dec. 1798; d. Ignacio Valley, Cal. 27 Oct. 1876, at the home of his nephew, James Toomey Walker (son of Samuel S. Walker). He is buried in Martinez. He came to California in 1833 and is credited

with being the first white man to find Yosemite (13 Nov. 1833) and the Giant Sequoias. His one request was to have the discovery of Yosemite Valley inscribed on his tombstone.

- vi. WILLIAM, d. young.
- vii. JOHN M., d. 1836 in Texas at the Battle of the Alamo.
- viii. SUSAN, m. _____ CLARK of Madison Co., Ky.
- ? ix. ISAAC, said to have been killed by Mormons in Arizona.

4. **SAMUEL S.⁴ WALKER**, (*Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*), was born 1794 and died 1849 on route to California. He married BARBARA TOOMEY, who was born 7 Aug. 1806 at Roane Co. Tenn., came to California in 1852, and died 29 Jan. 1860. [WG]

Child, surname *Walker*, incomplete?

- 6. i. JAMES TOOMEY⁵, b. 25 Nov. 1825, Roane Co., Tenn.

5. **JOEL PATTERSON⁴ WALKER**, (*Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*), signer of the California Constitution, was born at Goochland Co., Va. 20 Nov. 1797 and died near Sebastopol, California 25 June 1879; he is buried in Oakmound Cemetery, Healdsburg. He married 1) in 1824 near Independence, Missouri, MARY W. YOUNG, was born in Pennsylvania 15 Apr. 1800, and died 15 Aug. 1856. He married 2) EVALINE _____.

Joel Walker was a veteran of the Florida War where he fought under Andrew Jackson. In 1822, he and Stephen Cooper assembled a company of 31 men and began what he later claimed was the first trading expedition over the Santa Fe trail with pack animals. On route, natives ran off with their horses and Joel returned to the frontier towns for fresh ones. While there, he unexpectedly ran into his younger brother, Joseph, who had spent the past year trapping in the Rocky Mountains. When the expedition was successfully concluded, he returned to Missouri, purchased a farm outside of Independence and married.

In 1840, tempted by a government offer of 640 acres of free land, he packed up his family and joined three Congregationalist missionaries and their families on the trek to Oregon. For protection, they linked up with the American Fur Company and traveled with them as far as the headwaters of the Green River before parting company and continuing alone to Fort Vancouver. He settled near present-day Salem and

remained there until September of the following year. At that time he and his family joined a group of 25 men headed south to Sacramento. They arrived in Sacramento on 22 Oct. 1841. Mary and her sister Martha, who traveled with them, were the first American-born white women to cross the plains to California and were the first white women at Sutter's Fort [CALL,FRB].

That year also, Joel Walker accompanied the Commodore Wilkes Scientific Corps and served under Lt. Emmons. In 1842 he came to the Napa Valley where he stayed for one year, returning to Oregon in 1843 with cattle and horses that he sold for a profit. In 1848, he returned to California and purchased 640 acres in Napa for \$640. He had been a resident of California for only 13 months in 1849 when he traveled to Monterey to represent Sonoma at the Constitutional Convention. There he made valuable contributions while serving on the Finance Committee.

In 1853 he moved to the Santa Rosa area. By 1870 he had settled in Analay Township, near Sebastopol, Sonoma County.

Children, surname Walker, [FB]

- i. MARTHA JANE⁵, b. 17 Dec. 1824.
- 7. ii. JOHN PATTERSON⁵, b. Jackson Co., Mo. 5 Feb. 1826.
- iii. LAURA, b. 16 Mar. 1828
- iv. JOSEPH R., b. 29 Mar. 1829, had five children.
- v. WILLIAM NEWTON, b. 9 June 1835, crippled, d. 9 Feb. 1878
- 8. vi. ISABELLA, b. 9 May 1838, m. THOMAS W. INGRAM.
- vii. LOUISA, b. 14 Jan. 1841 in Oregon (said to be the first white child of American parents born there), d. 15 Apr. 1863. Not married. Member of the Methodist Episcopal church.
- 6. **JAMES TOOMEY⁵ WALKER**, (*Samuel S.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*) was born at Roane Co., Tenn., 25 Nov. 1825 and died 4 April 1902. He is buried in the Martinez Cemetery. He married MARY CAROLINE VAUGHAN of Jackson Co., Mo.

Children, surname Walker,

- 9. i. JOHN MONROE⁶, b. 10 Apr. 1862 at the San Miguel Rancho.

- ii. BARBARA LOUISE, m. JOEL M. WALKER of Walnut Creek
- 10. iii. JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH, "*Josie*"

7. **JOHN PATTERSON⁵ WALKER**, (*Joel P.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*) was born at Jackson Co., Mo. 5 Feb. 1826 and died 16 Feb. 1895 at Analy Twp., Sonoma Co., Cal. He married ELEANOR MORAN, a daughter of Josiah Moran. She was born circa 1832 and died at Analy 11 July 1895.

He built the first redwood house in Sonoma Co. on the site where Sebastopol now stands.[*GB*]

Children, surname *Walker*,

- i. HARRIET JANE⁶, b. ca. 1852, d. 11 Jan. 1924 at Sebastopol. [*GB*]
- ii. MARY F., b. ca. 1855; d. young.
- iii. JOEL M., (or Jacob P. or Joseph) b. ca. 1857.
- iv. SARAH, b. 13 June 1860, d. young
- 11. v. JOHN LAWRENCE, b. 13 June 1860, Sebastopol.
- vi. MARY J., b. 16 July 1864
- 12. vii. EDWARD LEE, b. 19 Jan. 1866.
- viii. ELLA DORA, b. 6 March 186?; d. 3 May 1867.
- 13. ix. WILLIS YOUNG, b. 19 Nov. 1870

8. **ISABELLE⁵ WALKER**, "*Belle*", (*Joel P.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*), was born 9 May 1838 and died at Monterey in February of 1877 evidently from the complications of childbirth. She married THOMAS W. "*Ed*" INGRAM*, a farmer born in Kentucky about 1826. They lived in Santa Rosa and Monterey. [*CEN60, CEN70, CEN80, GR, DAR2*]

Children, surname *Ingram*,

- i. ISAAC JOEL⁶, b. 27 Nov. 1854, Sonoma Co., d. 8 Aug. 1932 at Gonzales; married SARAH L. _____ and may have had two children. [*GB*]
- ii. EDWARD, (or EDGAR) b. 23 Jan. 1855, moved to Monterey Co. in 1872. He was a postmaster and butcher. He married and had four sons. [*MCI*]

* The family appears as Ingraham in the 1860 Census.

- iii. THOMAS JOSEPH, b. c. 1857
- iv. JOHN FRANKLIN, b. 1859, d. 1932. [DAR2]
- v. EMMA J., b. 1861
- vi. MARY L., b. c. 1863
- vii. ANNA D., "*Fanny*", b. c. 1864, d. 1934. [DAR2]
- viii. WILLIAM, b. c. 1866
- ix. ADA B., b. c. 1867
- x. GEORGE PENDLETON, b. c. 1869
- xi. ELLA MAY, b. c. 1870
- xii. OLIVE, "*Ollie*", b. c. 1875
- xiii. EDNA BLANCH, b. c. 1877, probably twin of Eva.
- xiv. EVA BERTHA, b. Feb. 1877, d. Monterey, 24 June 1879. [DAR2]

9. **JOHN M.⁶ WALKER**, (*John M.⁵, Samuel S.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*) was born 10 Apr. 1862 and married at Concord 13 May 1886, MARGARET McDONALD, born Nov. 1864, daughter of W. L. and Artimesia (Stinson) McDonald. [HCCC]

Children, surname *Walker*,

- i. JOSEPH R.⁷, b. Mar. 1888, veterinarian, South San Francisco
- ii. AMBROSE T., b. Mar. 1889, superintendent for McCreary Co., San Benito Co.
- iii. GERTRUDE, b. May 1891, m. OREN CHAMBERLAIN, res. Oakland
- iv. GRACE, b. Nov. 1892, m. ED FORESTIER, res. Burlingame.
- v. JOHN M., "*Jack*," b. Dec. 1897, res. San Francisco

10. **JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH⁶ WALKER**, (*John M.⁵, Samuel S.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*), m. 1) AARON HASSETT, 2) PORTER CLARE.

Children, surname *Hassett?*,

- i. ORA⁷
- ii. CAROLINE, b. Aug 1889, surnamed Clare in 1900.

11. **JOHN LAWRENCE⁶ WALKER**, (*John P.⁵, Joel P.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*) was born at Sebastopol, 13 June 1860, and died 26 Feb. 1901;

married MARTHA E. LAWRENCE, daughter of James A. Lawrence of Petaluma. They leased a ranch in Santa Rosa.

Children, surname *Walker*,

- i. NELLINA⁷, "*Alena*", b. 8 Apr. 1883, married _____ FRASER.
- ii. WALTER LAWRENCE, b. ca. 12 May 1890
- iii. JOHN CECIL, b. ca. 21 Oct. 1888

12. **EDWARD LEE⁶ WALKER**, (*John P.⁵, Joel P.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*) was born at Sebastopol, 19 Jan. 1866 and died there 5 Nov. 1903. He married 18 April 1894, MARY FRANCES "*Dolly*" FANNING, daughter of Michael and Marion (Brougham) Fanning.

He was constable for four years and owned 529 acres near Alto Crest Hill. [HSC]

Children, surname *Walker*,

- i. FRANCIS E.⁷, b. 11 Jan. 1901, d. 7 Feb. 1901.
- ii. MARION ELEANOR, m. _____ CRAWFORD
- iii. LEE FANNING

13. **WILLIS YOUNG⁶ WALKER**, (*John P.⁵, Joel P.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*), was born near Sebastopol 19 Nov. 1870 and died there 29 Aug. 1919. He married OLIVE INGRAM, of Monterey [HSC].

Children, surname *Walker*,

14. i. DONALD INGRAM⁷, b. Sebastopol 21 Nov. 1900

14. **DONALD INGRAM⁷ WALKER**, (*Donald I.⁶, John P.⁵, Joel P.⁴, Joseph³, Samuel², John¹*) was born at Sebastopol, 21 Nov. 1900. He married 24 Aug. 1921 LUCILLE BOND, daughter of Rev. Knox and Melissa (Squires) Bond [HSC].

He was a graduate of the University of Nevada.

Child, surname *Walker*,

- i. BARBARA JEAN⁸

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- FB** Family Bible (photocopy at Colton Hall)
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- HC** Bancroft (1890) v. 5, p. 765 and v. 4, p. 268-72
- HCC** Purcell (1940) p. 216
- HCCC** Monro-Fraser (1926)
- HSC** Tuomey (1926) p. 797, 806-7, 952
- MC** Martinez Cemetery
- MCI** Harrison (1890) p. 74
- OC** Oakmound Cemetery
- PFM** Bryan (1876)
- PP** Walker (1953)
- RGC** Cleland (1952)
- WG** White (1902)

Other Convention Participants

Walter Colton

Caleb Lyon

William P. Hartnell

William G. Marcy

Samuel Willey



The Family of Walter Colton

1. **GEORGE¹ COLTON** was born, according to tradition, at Sutton Coldfield, Warwick, England and married 1) circa 1644, **DEBORAH GARDNER**. She died 5 Sept. 1689, at Springfield, Mass. He married 2) the Widow **LYDIA (WRIGHT, BLISS, NORTON) LAMB** as her fourth husband. Her first husband was Lawrence Bliss (see below). She died 18 Feb. 1699.

2. Captain **THOMAS² COLTON**, (*George¹*) was born at Longmeadow, 1 May 1651 and died 30 Sept. 1728. He married 1) **SARAH GRISWOLD**, daughter of Matthew Griswold of Lyme, Conn., and they had seven children. She died 12 Sept. 1690. He married 2) **HANNAH BLISS**, daughter of Lawrence and Lydia (Wright) Bliss by whom he had another eight children, including...

3. **WILLIAM³ COLTON**, (*Thomas², George¹*), born 7 July 1694, died 4 Dec. 1770. He married 1) 24 Jan. 1717 **MARY MERRICK**, daughter of Capt. John and Mary Merrick of Springfield. She was born about 1695 and died 5 June 1767. He married 2) 7 June 1768, Mrs. **MERCY (STEBBINS) COLTON**, widow of Lieut. John Colton, his cousin. She died 4 Aug. 1780.

4. Deacon **AARON⁴ COLTON**, (*William³, Thomas², George¹*) was born 13 June 1718 and died 28 June 1778 from smallpox. He married, 9 Dec. 1746, **MARY ELY**, daughter of Deacon Jonathan and Lydia (Burt) Ely (see below).

5. **WALTER⁵ COLTON**, (*Aaron⁴, William³, Thomas², George¹*) was born 25 Aug. 1764 and died 28 April 1862. He married, Jan. 1793, **THANKFUL COBB**, daughter of John Cobb and Susannah Cushman (see below) of Hardwick, Mass. She died 7 June 1843.

He removed to Georgia, Franklin Co., Vt. circa 1798. He was the cellist for the village church choir, and memorized the Gospels, Psalms and several other books from the Bible.

Children, surname *Colton*:

- i. HARVEY⁶, b. 26 Oct. 1793; m. HARRIET FAIRCHILD
- ii. SUSANNAH, b. 26 July, 1795; m. HORACE PORTER BLAIR; res. Georgia, Vt. in 1851.
- 6. iii. WALTER, b. 9 May, 1797; m. CORNELIA B. COLTON
- iv. QUINTIUS CURTIUS, b. 22 May 1799
- v. WILLIAM, b. 22 March 1801; m. ANNA H. SAUNDERS
- vi. ADDISON ELY, b. 2 April 1803; m. LUCY BROWN
- vii. HANNAH, b. 4 April 1805; m. ISREAL JOSLIN or Joselin
- viii. JOHN COBB, b. 24 July 1807; m. LUCRETIA BROWN
- ix. REV. AARON MERRICK, b. 25 Aug. 1809; m. Z. ELIZABETH GOULD; res. Amherst, Mass.
- x. LUTHER, (twin), b. 11 Aug. 1811; d. 26 Aug. 1811
- xi. CALVIN, (twin), b. 11 Aug. 1811; m. SUSAN M. CHAPIN
- xii. GARDNER QUINCY, M.D., b. 7 Feb. 1814; m. ELEANOR P. COLTON

6. **WALTER⁶ COLTON**, (*Walter⁵, Aaron⁴, William³, Thomas², George¹*), chaplain at the California Constitutional Convention, was born 9 May 1797 at Rutland, Vt. and died 22 Jan. 1851 at Philadelphia, Penn. He married at Philadelphia, 26 June 1844, CORNELIA BALDWIN COLTON (daughter of Oren and Mary B. (Baldwin) Colton, and therefore descended from George¹ via his son John²) who was born 13 Feb. 1816 and died at Brooklyn, N.Y. on 12 April 1884. She married 2) Simeon Baldwin Chittenden of Brooklyn (born 29 March 1814, died 14 April 1889, Brooklyn).

In 1814, he went to live with an uncle at Hartford, Conn. to learn the trade of cabinet making, but resolved to prepare for the ministry. On leaving Yale in 1822, he entered the Andover Theological Seminary, where he spent three years. He was licensed to preach by the Hartford North Association on 7 June 1825, but due to poor health, was unable to take a parish. He became a teacher in Captain Alden Partridge's Military Academy at Middletown. He also officiated there as chaplain and was therefore ordained as an Evangelist by the Hartford South Association at Northampton, now Avon, on June 5, 1827. He wrote for the newspapers in Middletown and in 1828, published a pamphlet entitled *Remarks on*

Duelling composed of a series of lectures against the practice, “a vicious custom.”

He left Middletown in 1830 for Washington, D.C. to become editor of the *American Spectator and Washington City Chronicle*, a newspaper whose mission it was to oppose the Government policy towards the Georgia Indians. Their mission failed, but he attracted the attention of President Jackson as a preacher and was appointed in Nov. 1830 to a chaplaincy in the Navy [YALE]. In 1835 he was appointed chaplain of the Charlestown, Mass. Naval Station and in 1838 he was assigned to the Philadelphia Naval Yard. This move enabled him to moonlight as editor of the *North American* until Secretary of the Navy A. P. Upshur ordered him to abandon the post in 1842. [HUNT]

As a newspaperman and as a chaplain, Colton fought against the scourge of drunkenness. At that time, the Navy allotted one half pint of whiskey per day for each sailor. Colton saw this as being responsible for the degradation and alcoholism common among sailors, especially in the Sailor’s Home in Philadelphia. He lobbied for an end to this practice, but the Navy did not discontinue the allotment until 1861, after his death.

He came to California in 1846 on the *Congress* under Captain Stockton, arriving in Monterey on July 15, one week after the U.S. flag had been raised at the Monterey customhouse. When Stockton left Monterey in August, he left Colton behind as *alcalde*, replacing Edward Gilchrist and **Rodman Price**. In the first few weeks of the assignment, he instituted trial by jury and founded the *Californian*, the first California newspaper, in partnership with **Robert Semple**. He also oversaw the construction of a new prison—built by the prisoners—and caused the erection of a school-house—now called Colton Hall—paid for by the fines imposed upon violators of his anti-gambling ordinance. In March of 1847 he also commenced service as judge of the admiralty court.

He resigned the offices in the fall of 1848, and paid a visit to the mines with a group that included **Charles T. Botts** and **William G. Marcy**. Ordered to return to Washington to report to the Secretary of the Navy, he set sail on 12 Apr. 1849 and thus was not present at the Convention in September. After completing his public duties, he settled at Philadelphia shortly after the close of the convention where he died after a five-month long inflammation of the liver. [YALE, BAN]

His *Deck and Port* and *Three Years in California*, published in 1850, are journals of his experience and observations, regarded as standard works on the annals of 1846-48. Bancroft described him as an “earnest, kindhearted, and sensible man, whose official and private record in Cal. was a most excellent one.” [BAN] He also authored *Ship and Show*, *Constantinople and Athens*, and several other works.

One child, surname *Colton*:

7. i. WALTER EWING⁷, b. 3 June 1846.

7. **WALTER EWING⁷ COLTON**, (*Walter⁶, Walter⁵, Aaron⁴, William³, Thomas², George¹*) was born at Philadelphia, 3 June 1846 and died at Exeter, N. H., 12 Aug. 1913. He married at Brooklyn, N.Y., 24 Nov. 1869, ELIZA MARY LITCHFIELD (a.k.a. “Mary E.”) who died at Brooklyn, probably 29 Sept. 1919, based on a petition for transfer of tax dated 21 Nov. 1919.

Children, surname *Colton*, all born Brooklyn:

- i. LITCHFIELD⁸, b. 21 Sept. 1870; d. ca. 1923. He was of Stetson University, Deland, Fla. 1913, professor of iron working and mechanical drawing and part time coach of the Stetson football team. No children.
8. ii. HENRY EWING, b. 8 Jan. 1874
- iii. CORNELIA BALDWIN, b. 20 Nov. 1875; m. EDWARD CONNER CHICKERING, A.M., A.B. Yale 1846, Harvard 1910; res. 8934 164th St., Jamaica N.Y. 1934. Edward died 27 Dec. 1952 [NYT]

8. **HENRY EWING⁸ COLTON**, (*Walter⁷, Walter⁶, Walter⁵, Aaron⁴, William³, Thomas², George¹*), was born at Brooklyn, 8 Jan. 1874 and died at Windsor, Conn., 2 Nov. 1942. He resided at Brooklyn in 1913. He was a graduate of the Phillips Exeter Academy and Teachers College and of Columbia University. He was supervisor of manual arts in Utica, N.Y. and Detroit, Mich. before settling in Brooklyn where he taught manual arts at P.S. 74 until he retired in 1935.

Children, surname *Colton*:

- i. LUCILLE C.⁹, m. _____ GRAINGER
- ii. MARY C., m. _____ HOUGHTON
- iii. CORNELIA B.

The Bliss/Hulins/Wright Ancestry

1. **HENRY^C HULINS**, was born circa. 1540 and married JOANE _____.
2. **JOHN^B HULINS** (*Henry^C*), of Rodborough, Glou.; married MARGARET _____.
3. **MARGARET^A HULINS** (*John^B, Henry^C*), of Rodborough, Glou.; married about 1617, **THOMAS¹ BLISS**, born circa 1590, probably at Gloucester, England They came to Hartford, Conn. circa 1638. They had fourteen children.
4. **LAWRENCE¹ BLISS**, (*Thomas*) was born in England, circa 1628 and died 1676. He married at Springfield, Mass., 25 Oct. 1654, **LYDIA WRIGHT**, daughter of Deacon Samuel and Margaret Wright. Their daughter Hannah, sixth child of nine, married Capt. Thomas Colton (see above).

The Priest/Coombs Ancestry

1. **DEGORY PRIEST** was born circa 1579 and died 1 Jan. 1620/1. He is thought to be the "Digorius Prust" baptized in Hartland, Devonshire, England on 11 August 1582, the son of Peter Prust [NEHGS]. He married **SARAH (ALLERTON) VINCENT**, sister of Isaac Allerton, at Leyden, 4 Nov. 1611 and came to America on the *Mayflower*. A hatmaker from London, he left a widow and two daughters. His daughter,
2. **SARAH² PRIEST**, (*Degory¹*) arrived with her mother on the *Anne* in 1623. She married **JOHN COOMBS** about 1631. Their son,
3. **JOHN² COOMBS**, (*Sarah Priest², Degory¹*), married **ELIZABETH BARLOW** and died sometime prior to 1 Aug. 1648.
4. Their daughter, **ELIZABETH COOMBS**, (*John², John¹*), married **ELEAZAR CUSHMAN**.

The Cushman Ancestry

1. **THOMAS COUCHMAN** of Rolvenden, Kent, was born circa 1538 and is buried there. He married, 10 Feb. 1585/6, **ELINOR HUBBARDE** whose origin is unknown. Their son Robert was baptized at Rolvenden, 9 Feb. 1577/8. This is believed to be the same person as...

2. **ROBERT¹ CUSHMAN**, Puritan, was born in England, 1580-85. He married 1) _____?; 2) at Canterbury, 31 July 1606, **SARAH REDER**. She died at Leyden, Holland, 11 Oct. 1616. He married 3) at Leyden, on 3 or 5 June 1617, **MARY (CLARKE) SINGLETON**, widow of Thomas Singleton. Robert was one of the organizers of the Plymouth Colony. He was on the original voyage and returned to London on the *Speedwell* to organize the second voyage. He arrived in America with his son on the *Fortune*, 9 Nov. 1621.

3. **THOMAS² CUSHMAN**, (*Robert¹*) was born in England, Feb. 1608 and died at Plymouth Colony, 10 or 11 Dec. 1691. He married circa 1636, **MARY ALLERTON**, daughter of Isaac Allerton and Mary Norris. She died 28 Nov. 1699.

4. **ELEAZAR³ CUSHMAN** (*Thomas², Robert¹*), seventh child of Thomas, born 20 Feb. 1656/7. He married, 12 Jan. 1687/8, **ELIZABETH COOMBS**.

5. **JOHN⁴ CUSHMAN** (*Eleazar³, Thomas², Robert¹*), second child and oldest son of Eleazar, was born 13 Aug. 1690 and married, 19 Jan. 1715, **JOANNA PRATT** (see below).

6. **CHARLES⁵ CUSHMAN** (*John⁴, Eleazar³, Thomas², Robert¹*), third child of John, was born at Plymouth and died at Rutland, Vt., 1791. He married **MARY HARVEY**, daughter of a wealthy Episcopal clergyman of London. She died at Georgia, Vt. in 1810.

7. **SUSANNAH⁶ CUSHMAN** (*Charles⁵, John⁴, Eleazar³, Thomas², Robert¹*), fifth child of Charles, married **JOHN COBB** (see above).

The Ely/Day/Burt Ancestry

1. **NATHANIEL¹ ELY** was born circa 1605, probably at Tenterden, Kent, England and probably came to America on the bark *Elizabeth* in April of 1634. His only son was...
2. **SAMUEL² ELY** (*Nathaniel¹*) died 19 March 1692. He married at Springfield, 28 Oct. 1659, **MARY DAY**, daughter and youngest child of Robert and Editha (Stebbins) Day, born Hartford, Conn., 1641. They had sixteen children.
3. **JONATHAN³ ELY** (*Samuel², Nathaniel¹*), fourteenth child, was born at Springfield, 21 Jan 1683 and died at Longmeadow, 27 July 1753. He married 16 March 1709, **LYDIA BURT**, daughter of Jonathan and Lydia (Dumbleton) Burt, born at Longmeadow 9 March 1687 and died 14 Dec. 1767.

The Pratt/Dunham/Barlow Ancestry

1. **JOSHUA¹ PRATT**, came to Plymouth on the ship *Anne* in 1623. He married about 1630, **BATHSHEBA (FAY?)**.
2. **BENAJAH² PRATT** (*Joshua¹*) was born at Plymouth, circa 1630 and died there 1682. He married at Plymouth, 29 Nov. 1655, **PERSIS DUNHAM**, who was born at Plymouth circa 1635. She was the daughter of Deacon John Dunham. John Dunham was born in England, circa 1588 and died at Plymouth, 1668. He married on 19 Oct. 1622 at Leyden, Holland, **Abigail**, daughter of Thomas Barlow.
3. **JOHN³ PRATT** (*Benajah², Joshua¹*) third child of Benajah, married **MARGARET _____**.
4. **JOANNA⁴ PRATT** (*John³, Benajah², Joshua¹*), third child of John, was born at Plympton, Mass., 26 Oct. 1690, and married 19 Jan 1715, **JOHN CUSHMAN** (see above).

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BL Bliss (1982)

CUSH Cushman (1855)

CHS Drury (1956)

ELY Ely (1885)

LC Storrs (1884)

MI Neff (1960) vol. 1, 2

NEHGS *New England Historic and Genealogical Register*, vol. 111, p. 320

NYT *New York Times*; 27 Dec. 1952, 7:8

PC Stratton (1986)

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SNP Patten (1938)

YALE Dexter (1913)



The Family of William E. P. Hartnell

TRANSLATOR

1. WILLIAM HARTNELL was born 24 Apr. 1798 at Backbarrow, Lancashire, England. He was the son of GEORGE and ANA (PETTY) HARTNELL. Raised as an Anglican, he was baptized as a Catholic, 10 Dec. 1824, at the Mission San Carlos. He died 2 Feb. 1854 at Monterey, California (age given as 54) and is buried at the Monterey Cemetery. He married on 30 Apr. 1825 at Santa Barbara, MARIA TERESA DE JESUS DE LA GUERRA Y CARRILLO, daughter of Don Jose de la Guerra y Noriega. She was born 18 May 1809 at San Diego and died 7 July 1885 at Alisal at Salinas. [ZE]

William attended the College of Commerce in Bremen, Germany, but following his first year his father died leaving no estate. William was forced at the age of eighteen to move in with his uncle, Edward Petty, and seek employment. He was energetic, educated in Latin and German, accounting and shorthand, and came from a good family, but jobs were scarce. He was finally taken on by John Begg & Co., an import-export firm at Santiago, Chile. On the voyage to South America, he taught himself Spanish.

William's business responsibilities took him to many of the west coast towns of modern-day Chile and Peru. By 1822, the Spanish had been forced out of South America and John Begg & Co. was expanding its activities between England and South America. In an effort to improve his standing in life, William entered into a partnership with Hugh McCulloch and formed McCulloch, Hartnell and Co. They then entered into an agreement with John Begg & Co., where they would act as agents in setting up a hide and tallow trade with the North American towns. John Begg & Co. would collect five eighths of the profits.

Hartnell sailed north on the *John Begg* and landed in Monterey in June of 1822. They were several weeks ahead of their competitors and with a recommendation from the local governor, they soon locked up a virtual monopoly on the hide and tallow trade. Hartnell learned some

Russian while attempting to expand the business further north. Despite occasional setbacks, they maintained their activities until 1828 when political changes and increased costs and competition finally convinced John Begg's parent company, James Brotherston & Co., to close it down, leaving Hartnell with a \$19,000 debt.

In 1824, he converted to Catholicism to facilitate his interests in California, a decision that was criticized by many of his friends and relations. About this time also, he changed his name, adding "Edward Petty" as his two middle names in honor of the uncle who had come to his aid in his youth. The following year he married Maria Teresa, the sixteen-year-old daughter of one of the wealthiest men in California.

Humbled by the closing of his trading enterprise, Hartnell turned to the land. To qualify for a land grant, he became a citizen of Mexico in 1830. The Soberanes family sold him an interest in their Rancho at Alisal, near Salinas and he began his operations with 500 head of cattle. Later, with the help of his father-in-law, he obtained 3,000 acres of Rancho Alisal in his own name.

Early on, Hartnell had augmented his income from trading by tutoring. He numbered among his students **Mariano G. Vallejo** and his nephew, Juan B. Alvarado. In 1834, enlisting the aid of Father Patrick Short, an experienced teacher from Honolulu, Hartnell founded the first college in California, the Colegio at Alisal. Despite the encouragement of Governor Figueroa, it grew slowly. In 1836, it had 15 students, mostly his own children. With the sudden death of the governor, it too closed.* [*SFE*]

Hartnell's financial situation was saved when his former pupil, Juan B. Alvarado, became governor. Alvarado appointed him Tax Collector and Administrator of Customs. He worked on commission, receiving five percent of everything collected. Unfortunately, Alvarado also asked him to serve as inspector of the missions, a post he felt obligated to accept. He visited all the missions over 1839 and 1840. What he found was a mission system so completely decayed that it was irreparable. The missions had been secularized, the lands and cattle had been sold off, and the aging adobe buildings were melting into the

* The adobe school was bulldozed by the owner in 1960 when some individuals began to talk about preserving it as an historic site.

ground. Oddly, his greatest opposition came from another former pupil, Gen. **Mariano G. Vallejo**, who refused to open the mission books to him. After his second tour, in which he was arrested by Vallejo and forced to take Pio Pico to court, he resigned.

He moved into the position of Chief of Customs succeeding his brother-in-law, **Pablo de la Guerra**. However in 1842, his benefactor, Governor Alvarado, was replaced by Micheltorena and he lost the lucrative position. When U.S. Commodore Thomas ap Cateby Jones invaded Monterey thinking war had broken out, Jones called upon Hartnell to write his formal apology to the new Governor. Hartnell received a new appointment to set up a treasury at Yerba Buena.

Hartnell had always supported the efforts of the Hudson's Bay Company and Robert C. Wyllie to expand British influence in California. He only accepted the United States when it became apparent that the British were no longer in competition. In 1846, with the appearance of Fremont in California, Hartnell became an editor at the *Alta Californian*, the newspaper started by **Thomas O. Larkin** and **Walter Colton**, and later went to Honolulu, not returning until after the U.S. had seized the territory.

Upon his return, Military Governor Fremont hired him as a customs official and interpreter. He also took on the arduous task of compiling English and Spanish translations of the laws of the country. Gov. Bennet Riley ordered several hundred copies distributed and later appointed Hartnell as the interpreter and translator at the Constitutional Convention.

Hartnell died in 1854 at the age of 56, leaving behind a large family of perhaps as many as 22 children. Twelve survived to adulthood.

Children, surname *Hartnell*, [JMN,CEN52,CEN60,CEN80]

2. i. GUILLERMO ANTONIO², "William", b. 31 Mar. 1826
 - ii. NATANAEL MARIANO, "the Bishop", b. 8 Sep. 1827, d. Monterey, 4 Dec. 1833.
 - iii. JORGE ALBANO MANUEL, "George", b. 16 June 1829, d. 9 or 10 Aug. 1829.
 - iv. JUAN EVERTO, "Juan Eadberto", b. 6 May 1830, d. at Santa Barbara, 7 July 1872; m. at Santa Barbara, 21 May 1857, MARIA DE LOS AUGUSTIAS, dau. of Manuel and Augustias (de la Guerra) Jimeno, b. Monterey, ca. 14 Apr. 1834, d. Santa Barbara, 1 Feb. 1892.. They lived in Santa Ynez. [CALL,SLO]

- v. ADELBERTO PEDRO, "Alberto", b. 25 June 1831, d. unm. ca. 1880; musician.
- vi. MARIA TERESA GREGORIA, "Teresita", b. Monterey, 17 Nov. 1832; d. Salinas, 27 July 1908; m. 6 June 1851, MIGUEL SMITH, son of Jose Miguel and Loreta (Miller) Smith, b. Mexico, c. 1830 and d. Jan. 1896.
- 3. vii. JOSE GONZALO, "Joseph", b. Monterey, 15 Apr. 1834, d. Santa Maria, 21 Nov. 1912; m. San Benito, 1 Aug. 1861, MARY IGNACIA WATSON, dau. of James Santiago and Mariana A. (Escamilla) Watson.
- viii. MARIA MATILDA, b. 25 Apr. 1835; m. 25 Feb. 1859, JUAN JACKSON. She is shown age 45 living with her mother and four children in 1880. The children were *John* (b. ca. 1866), *Isabella* (b. ca. 1868), *Carrie* (b. ca. 1871) and *Teresa* (b. ca. 1872). [CEN80]
- 4. ix. URBANO PABLO, b. 6 May 1836.
 - x. ANITA, "Anna Prudenciana", "Annetta", "Maria Ysabel", b. Alisal Canyon, near Salinas, 19 May 1837; d. Salinas, 29 Nov. 1914; m. Monterey, 24 Apr. 1850 or 59, PEDRO ZABALA, b. Biscay, Spain, 29 June 1826, d. Salinas, 13 Mar. 1917. Their children included *Virginia*, who married William G. Hudson, mayor of Monterey, 1925, 1927, and 1929.
 - xi. MARIA MAGDALENA DEL REFUGIO, "Madelina", b. 22 July 1838.
 - xii. NATANAEL FINIANO, "Nataniel Yrinano", b. Alisal, 9 or 10 Sep. 1840, d. 20 Nov. 1847.
 - xiii. PABLO EDUARDO, b. 8 Feb. 1842.
- 5. xiv. ULDARICO, "Urico", "Vidarico", b. 20 Feb. 1843.
 - xv. FRANCISCO GUMESINDO, b. 13 Jan. 1845, d. 17 Nov. 1845
 - xvi. SYLVESTER ALVANO, "Sylvestre Albano", b. 31 Dec. 1845, d. Salinas, 23 July 1928. Musician. Unmarried. [SFE]
 - xvii. MARGARITA AMELIA, "Angelina", b. Monterey, 22 Feb. 1847; d. Santa Rosa, 22 June 1916; m. Salinas, 20 Aug. 1876, DARRELL STOKES GREGORY, b. Virginia, 14 June 1825 and d. San Luis Obispo, 12 June 1889. Their children included *Jackson*, author; *Susan Myra*, poetess and teacher; and *Edward McAfee*, teacher.
 - xviii. BENJAMIN ARMEJO, "Arnulfo Benjamin", "Arnold", b. 18 July 1849, d. 17 May 1852.
 - xix. FRANCO, "Frank"
 - xx. ESTEVAN
 - xxi. ALONZO
 - xxii. EDUARDO, b. c. 1851, d. 1854, "last child."

2. GUILLERMO ANTONIO² HARTNELL, (*William¹*) was born 31 Mar. 1826 and was baptized at Mission San Carlos, 5 Feb. 1826. He married, 16 Nov. 1850, MARIA TRINIDAD DEL REFUGIO MORENO, daughter of Jose Santiago and Francisca (Castro) Moreno. She was born about 1839 and died 5 Jun. 1916. [GB]

Children, surname *Hartnell*, [GB,CEN80]

- i. MARIA³, b. 1852; m. San Luis Obispo, 25 Aug. 1869, "GUILLERMO" ALBANO SMITH, son of Jose Miguel and Loreta (Miller) Smith, b. 1838.
- ii. MARIA DE LA CONCEPCION BLARICA, b. ca. 1853, m. San Luis Obispo, 25 Aug. 1869, GEORGE SMITH (brother of Albano), b. Mexico City, ca. 1833
- iii. GEORGE U., b. Santa Barbara, 13 Nov. 1856; d. Salinas, 6 Dec. 1928; m. SARAH CAROLINE _____ who d. 27 July 1953.
- iv. EDWARD, b. ca. 1856.
- v. REFUGIA, b. ca. 1861.
- vi. TERESA, b. ca. 1865.
- vii. ADELAIDE, b. ca. 1866.
- viii. AMERA, b. ca. 1867.
- ix. CRISTINA, b. ca. 1869.
- x. NATANIEL, b. ca. 1870.

3. JOSE GONZALES² HARTNELL, (*William¹*) was born at Monterey, 15 Apr. 1834, and died at Santa Maria, 21 Nov. 1912. He married at San Benito, 1 Aug. 1861, MARY IGNACIA WATSON, daughter of James Santiago and Mariana A. (Escamilla) Watson. [GB]

Children, surname *Hartnell*, [CEN70,CEN80]

- i. JOSE F.³, b. ca. 1862
- ii. MARIA TERESA, b. ca. 1864.
- i. JAMES, b. ca. 1867.
- ii. MATILDA, b. ca. 1868.
- iii. ADELBERT, b. ca. 1869.
- iv. JOSEPHIN, b. ca. 1871.
- v. MARIANA, b. ca. 1873.

- vi. MARY A., b. ca. 1875.
- vii. WILLIAM, b. ca. 1877.
- viii. ROSA, b. ca. 1879.

4. URBANO PABLO² HARTNELL, (*William*¹) was born 6 May 1836, “ten days after the family had left Monterey.” He married at Rancho San Miguel, Monterey, 7 Jan. 1866, JULIANA DE LA TORRE, the daughter of Estavan and Maria de la Asuncion (Espinosa) de la Torre. She was born at San Miguel Canyon, 7 Jan. 1847 and died at Castroville, 7 Aug. 1921.

Children, surname *Hartnell*,

- i. JULIA³, b. ca. 1867.
- ii. ADELIA, b. ca. 1870, m. _____ ARELLANES.

5. ULDARICO HARTNELL, (*William*¹) was born 19 or 20 Feb. 1843, and died at Salinas, 21 Apr. 1801. He married 2 Oct. 1877, ELLA S. BLAINE, who was born in Indiana and died at Brookline, Mass., 6 Nov. 1906. He was County Treasurer for Monterey County. [*SCI*]

Children, surname *Hartnell*,

- i. MARIA TERESA³, b. 28 Aug. 1878, m. San Francisco, 20 Dec. 1902, WILLIAM HORTON BLAKE and res. Brookline, Mass. in 1905. [*SCI*,*SFC*]
- ii. ELLA RACHEL, b. 6 May 1880 [*SCI*]

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The Family of Caleb Lyon

SECRETARY TO THE CONVENTION

1. **JOHN LYON**, of Scottish ancestry, settled in Hertfordshire, Eng. during the time of the Covenanters and came from there to New England about 1680.

2. **CALEB² LYON** was born 15 Apr. 1709 and married, 29 Feb. 1728, **MARGARET LYON**, daughter of William and Deborah (Colburn) Lyon, born Woodstock, 19 Nov. 1708.

3. **CALEB³ LYON** was born at Seekonk, Mass., 25 June 1734. He married, 28 Apr. 1756, **ELIZABETH HODGES** of Norton, Mass. and resided in Woodstock, Conn.

Children, surname *Lyon*,

- i. **HANNAH⁴**, b. Woodstock, 30 July 1760 and the only confirmed child of Caleb Lyon.
- ii. **CALEB**, probable child, b. 1761.

4. **CALEB⁴ LYON** was born at East Windsor, Conn., 1761 and grew up in Greenfield, Mass. He died at Lyonsdale, N.Y., 15 Sept. 1835. He married at Walworth, N.Y., **MARY DUPONT**, daughter of Major Jean Pierre DuPont, nephew and aide of Montcalm, the last French commandant at Quebec.

He entered Harvard College, but did not graduate. About 1800 he settled in Western New York State and worked as an agent in what is now Walworth, Wayne County. In the winter months he manufactured salt in Salina. In 1810, he moved to the mouth of Four Mile Creek (now North Penfield, Monroe County) where he organized a settlement. The enterprise failed and he moved on to Carthage Landing, on the Genessee, below Rochester. There he purchased 1000 acres, erected buildings, and in 1816 sold out to several associates.

Having been for some time an agent of the Pultney estate, he had become an acquaintance of a Mr. Greig. In 1819 he undertook work as an agent of the Brantingham tract on his behalf. In 1823 he settled at Lyonsdale and was elected to the Assembly in 1824. He built a bridge there in 1829 and a gristmill in 1830-31. He worked for the construction of the Black River canal but died before it was adopted as a state project. He was a friend and correspondent of DeWitt Clinton, a frequent contributor to agricultural journals and a tireless advocate of great public improvements.

He was found dead in the woods about a mile from the Davis Bridge, 15 Sept. 1835, probably having been stricken with apoplexy.

Children, surname *Lyon*, (incomplete)

- i. LYMAN RASSELAS⁵, b. at Walworth, 1806, res. Greig, N.Y.
- 5. ii. CALEB, b. 7 Dec. 1822
- * also five daughters

5. **CALEB⁵ LYON** was born 7 Dec. 1822 in Lyonsdale, a village of Greig, N.Y., and died 8 Sept. 1875 near Rossville, Staten Island, N.Y. He is buried in the Greenwood Cemetery in New York City.

Born into a wealthy family with political connections, Caleb Lyon seemed destined for success. He was educated in Montreal and graduated in civil engineering from Norwich University in Northfield, Vt. when he was only 18 years old. He was known locally as a lecturer while his poems and essays acquired him a national reputation. Norwich University conferred an honorary LL.D. on him in 1851.

On 15 Feb. 1847, President Polk commissioned Lyon as consul to Shanghai, China, but Lyon entrusted the office to a deputy, and in 1848 removed instead to California, where he spent some time in the mines. His crisp writing and his outgoing nature earned him an appointment as one of the secretaries of the Constitutional Convention. Only 27 years old, he was already pegged as “very eccentric and odd” by Lottie Jeffries.

On 2 Sept. 1849, the Convention paid Caleb Lyon \$1,000 and adopted his design for the first state seal. The design was based on the work of Robert S. Garnett who created the first drawing and submitted the original

idea, but Garnett, it is said, wished to remain anonymous. It is not known if the award was subsequently passed on to the original designer.

On his return to New York in 1850, Lyon was elected to the state assembly. After an unsuccessful campaign for the expansion of the Erie Canal, he resigned 26 April 1851 to run for the Senate. Continuing in the steps of his father, he worked for free schools, the completion of canals and other public measures. Upon final adjournment, his friends presented him with a silver tea service.

In the fall of 1852, he was elected to the 33rd Congress on the Independent ticket. When the term expired, he traveled to Europe, Turkey, Egypt and Palestine, returning with a large collection of souvenirs. After a losing campaign for Congress in 1858 he returned to the lecture circuit.

On 28 Sep. 1860, his home in Lyonsdale was burned by an incendiary. He then purchased Ross Castle on Staten Island, the estate he owned until the end of his life.

Caleb Lyon was a Republican and the victory of Lincoln in 1860 gave him a new lease on life. In May of 1861, it was he who crossed to Arlington and took possession of Robert E. Lee's house and contents in the name of the United States. According to newspaper reports using data that seem to have been supplied by Lyon himself, he was at Bull Run and seventeen other campaigns during the Civil War. In 1864 he was using his connections in Washington to obtain a consular position from President Lincoln but he finally had to settle for an appointment as the second territorial governor of Idaho.

Caleb Lyon was highly educated, and was a connoisseur of fine food, fine art, fine literature and, apparently, fine women. When he died, his library contained 885 volumes, including a copy of *Aesop's Fables* formerly owned by George Washington. His estate auctioned off over 100 paintings including portraits of Washington and Abigail Adams by Gilbert Stuart. He collected fine china and ceramics and was a personal friend of Lola Montez, the actress. It is hard to imagine a more inappropriate appointment than that of Caleb Lyon to Idaho. Very likely, Lincoln—who did not like bombastic spirits such as Lyon—saw it as an opportunity to get rid of him.

Crossing the plains again to the capital at Lewiston, Lyon found the government nearly bankrupt and a political war brewing over which city would become the permanent state capital. In Idaho, Lyon was truly an outsider. The state was controlled by the Democrats and the residents were predominantly Southern refugees working in the mines. Lyon signed his name “Caleb Lyon of Lyonsdale,” wore clean clothes, took daily baths, dressed in high style and in general appeared to the course pioneers of the Idaho mining country as a dandy, for which they dubbed him “Cale of the Dale.” His pompous and convoluted oratory was little more than a source of amusement.

Lyon’s duties included maintaining relations with the native population and he succeeded in negotiating a treaty with the Shoshones (never ratified by the Senate) that earned him additional enemies among the white population.

Worst of all, in the battle for the state capital, Lyon sided with Boise—a city located in the far more populous south—and incurred the wrath of the Lewiston locals when he signed a bill passed by the legislature to relocate the government. The Lewiston residents obtained a court injunction to prevent the action and Lyon, threatened with a subpoena, disappeared down the Snake River, ostensibly on a duck-hunting trip. After a six-mile hike in the mountains, he boarded a carriage provided by southern delegates and escaped to Walla Walla. From there, he plotted to liberate the territorial seal and archives, but the Lewiston citizens placed them under a 24-hour armed guard and thwarted a raid on the last night of 1864.

Daunted, Lyon traveled to Portland and conducted a lecture series on his world travels. Clinton DeWitt Smith, Idaho’s new territorial secretary, met him there and they conferred about the situation. Smith proceeded to Lewiston and was eventually able to abscond with the treasured seal and archives and deliver them to Boise. Lyon, meanwhile, returned to Washington, D.C. where Lincoln was ready to replace him as governor. The assassination of the President, however, enabled Lyon’s friends to head off the threat and Andrew Johnson returned Lyon to Idaho.

After an eleven-month absence, Lyon was back in Idaho in 1865 to finish out his term of office, although he never returned to Lewiston. He

also intended to become wealthy, having purchased part-ownership of some diamond fields in the Owyhee Mountains from a con artist while in Washington. The fields turned out to be nothing but quartz.

When he left finally in April of 1866, he was charged with dereliction of official duty and accused of making off with \$46,000 in funds that he was supposed to have distributed to the Nez Perce tribe. He claimed he had tried to return the money to Washington, but that a thief had stolen the money from under his pillow. An official investigation into the matter was not completed by the time of his death, but his bondsman was required to reimburse the government.

Children, surname *Lyon*,

- i. CALEB⁶, a physician, d. at Staten Island, 1898 [TD]
- ii. a daughter.

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Song,

on leaving California, Jan. 1st, 1850

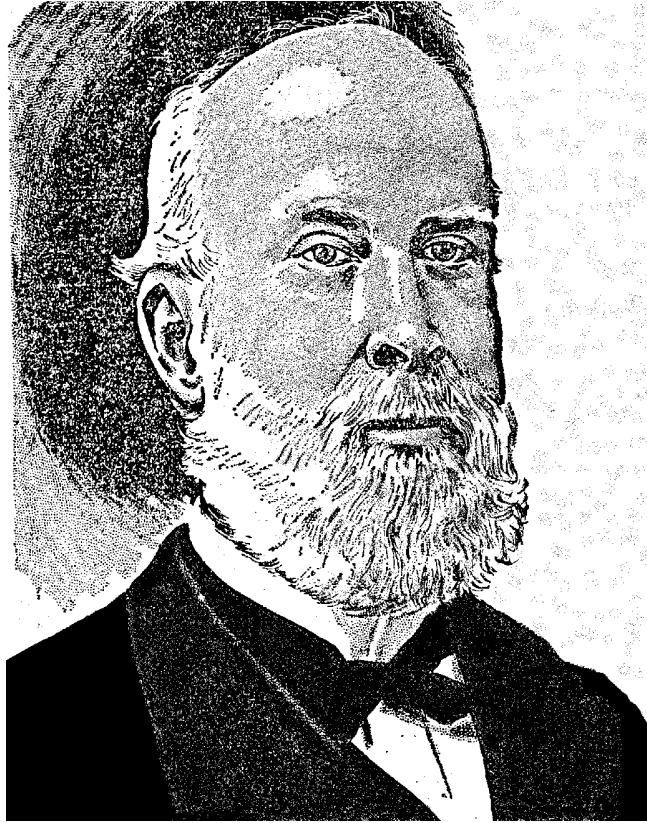
From the Sacramento's cañons
 To the Gila's winding way,
From the mountains of the Yuba
 To the Mission Luis Rey—
From the green San Joaquin valley
 To the ruins of Carmel,
Unequalled is thy country
 O'er which I love to dwell—
And may all earthly blessings
 Make thee greatest of the great
Is the prayer of him who cherishes
 The new Eureka State.

Not the gold or precious treasures
 That are sleeping in thy mines,
Not the Croesus-wealth that labors
 In thy cities ever finds—
Not thy rich and fertile vallies,
 Where purpling vineyards glow,
Hath flung upon my spirit
 The spell to love thee so;
'Tis the hearts, the warm and fearless
 That thy destiny shall make,
And the world shall find a model
 In the new Eureka State.

Then farewell California,
 Thy Future's countless years
Enfilled with laurel'd honors
 Dash from mine eyes the tears;
Beyond the bounded Present
 With prophetic gaze I see

A vast and mighty Empire,
 That springs to life from thee;
For the sails of every nation
 Shall know thy Golden Gate
And every language call thee
 The proud Eureka State.

— Caleb Lyon of Lyonsdale [AC]



The Family of William George Marcy

SECRETARY TO THE CONVENTION

1. **JOHN MARCY** was born in England about 1662 and died on Dec. 17 or 21 or 23, 1724. He is said to be the grandson of a high sheriff of Limerick, Ireland. He settled in Roxbury, Mass., and there married SARAH HADLOCK. She was born 16 Dec. 1670 and died 9 May 1743. In 1687, he was one of the thirteen original settlers of New Roxbury, now Woodstock, Conn.

Children, surname *Marcy*,

- i. ANNA², b. Roxbury; 1687, m. EBENEZER GROSVENOR of Pomfret, Conn.
- ii. JOHN, b. New Roxbury; 1689, m. 1) EXPERIENCE COLBURN, 2) MARY TUFTS, 3) SARAH MILLER
- iii. JAMES, b. 1693; m. JUDITH AINSWORTH
- iv. EDWARD, b. 1695; m. REBECCA HASKINS
- v. Capt. JOSEPH, b. 1697; m. MARY THROOP
- vi. BENJAMIN, b. 1700; m. MARY CORBIN
- 2. vii. MOSES, b. 1702
- viii. SAMUEL, b. 1704; m. MARY RUSSELL
- ix. SARAH, b. 18 Feb. 1706/7; d. Chester Vt., 12 Jan. 1796
- x. EBENEZER, b. 6 June 1709; m. MARY NICHOLSON; res. Dover, N.Y.
- xi. ELIZABETH, b. 8 Nov. 1711, m. HENRY LYON

2. **Col. MOSES² MARCY** (*John*¹) was born at New Roxbury, Conn. in 1702 and died at Sturbridge (now Southbridge), Mass., 9 Oct. 1779 (1777 on gravestone). He married PRUDENCE MORRIS at Woodstock, Conn., 19 Aug. 1723. She was born at Roxbury, Mass., 31 Jan. 1702 and died at Sturbridge, 28 Mar. 1779.

Children, surname *Marcy*,

- i. DOROTHY³, b. 18 Nov. 1723; m. Capt. RICHARD DRESSER.
- 3. ii. JEDIDIAH, b. 1 Sept. 1725.
- iii. MARTHA, b. 2 July 1727, d. Oxford, Mass., 12 Sept. 1736.
- iv. MOSES, b. 2 July 1730.
- v. ELIJAH, b. Woodstock, 2 July 1732; d. Sturbridge, 1779.
- vi. PRUDENCE, b. 9 Sept. 1734; m. WILLIAM PLYMPTON.
- vii. MARY, b. 23 Aug. 1736; m. MESHECK REMINGTON.
- viii. DANIEL, 14 June 1738; m. HANNAH MORRIS.
- ix. MARTHA, 27 Aug. 1740; m. Lt. GERSHOM PLYMPTON.
- x. MIRIAM, 20 Nov. 1742; m. Gen. TIMOTHY NEWELL.
- xi. MEHITABEL, 17 Aug. 1744; m. JONATHAN NEWHALL, JR.

3. **JEDIDIAH³ MARCY** (*Moses², John¹*) was born at Woodstock, Conn., 1 Sept. 1725 and died 28 Oct. 1799. He married at Dudley, Mass., 1 Dec. 1748, MARY HEALY, daughter of Joshua Healy and Sarah Davis, of Dudley. She was born in Dudley, 1 or 4 July 1730 and died there 13 Jan. 1773.

Children, surname *Marcy*, born in Dudley,

- i. JOSEPH⁴, b. 21 Oct. 1749, m. BERIAH THAYER.
- ii. JEDIDIAH, b. 23 July 1751, d. at Dudley 20 Jan. 1756.
- iii. MARY, b. 19 Dec. 1754, d. at Dudley 15 Jan. 1756.
- 4. iv. JEDIDIAH, b. 26 July 1757.
- v. MARY, b. 19 Jan. 1760, d. at Dudley 6 Mar. 1779.
- vi. RHODA, b. 4 May 1762; m. STEPHEN HEALY.
- vii. DANIEL, b. 27 Apr. 1765; m. ELIZABETH LARNED.
- viii. ABIGAIL, b. 18 July 1767; m. WILLARD ADAMS.
- ix. HANNAH, b. 10 Sept. 1772; d. at Dudley 16 Feb. 1773.

4. **JEDEDIAH⁴ MARCY**, (*Jedidiah³, Moses², John¹*), born at Dudley, Mass., 26 July 1757 and died at Sturbridge, Mass. 13 or 16 Sept. 1811. He married RUTH LARNED (born at Dudley, 1 Dec. 1748) and purchased

the Marcy homestead in Sturbridge from his father, who had obtained it following the death of Moses². Following his death, his widow married Moses Healy.

Children, surname *Marcy*,

- i. RHODA⁵, b. 21 Aug. 1782; m. OPHIR GOULD of Woodstock.
- ii. JOSEPH, b. 10 June 1784; m. ABIGAIL SHUMWAY.
- iii. WILLIAM LARNED, b. 12 Dec. 1786.
- iv. HANNAH, b. 14 Jan. 1789; m. JACOB EDWARDS.
- v. MARY, b. 14 Mar. 1791; m. SAMUEL C. EDWARDS.
- vi. JEDIDIAH, b. 19 Oct. 1794; m. ESTHER HEALY of Dudley.
- vii. CAROLINE, b. 11 Oct. 1798; d. 1 Dec. 1801.

5. **WILLIAM LARNED⁵ MARCY**, (*Jedediah⁴*, *Jedidiah³*, *Moses²*, *John¹*) was born at Sturbridge (now Southbridge), Mass., 12 Dec. 1786 and died at Ballston Spa, N.Y., 4 July 1857. He married at Troy, N.Y. or Southbridge, Mass., Sept. 1812, DOLLY NEWELL, of Southbridge, Mass. She died 6 Mar. 1821. He married 2) CORNELIA KNOWER, daughter of Benjamin Knower of Albany, N.Y.

He was a wild youth who succeeded in driving the schoolteacher out of the district school. He was regarded as incorrigible by everyone who knew him, including his parents, but the new schoolteacher, Salem Towne, saw his potential and pointed him in the right direction. He went on to attend Leicester Academy and Woodstock Academy and graduated from Brown University in 1808. He served in the War of 1812 (with his former school teacher, who became Gen. Salem Towne), as Adjutant General for New York State, Associate Justice in the Superior Court, U. S. Senator, and Governor of the state of New York for three terms, succeeding Martin Van Buren as leader of the Albany Regency, the powerful political machine. He also served as Secretary of State under President Franklin Pierce.

Children, surname *Marcy*, by first wife,

- i. EDITH, m. _____ PENDLETON; their son, William Marcy (he dropped his Pendleton surname) achieved some success as an artist in Paris.

- 6. ii. WILLIAM GEORGE, b. 18 Oct. 1818.
- iii. Capt. SAMUEL, served in the U.S. Navy, and was killed in the Civil War.

Children, by second wife,

- iv. EDMOND, d. young from tuberculosis.
- v. CORNELIA, d. young.

6. **WILLIAM GEORGE⁶ MARCY** (*William L.⁵, Jedediah⁴, Jedidiah³, Moses², John¹*) was born at Troy, N.Y., 18 Oct. 1818 and died at San Francisco, Cal., 2 March 1896. He married, November 1842, CATHERINE FORMAN THOMPSON, daughter of De Nise Forman Thompson and Eliza (Knott) Thompson.

Marcy was appointed by President Pierce to paymaster in the Navy, a position he held in various locations around the world for 17 years. As a captain in the first commissary department of the U.S. Army, he came to California in 1847 with the first company of New York Volunteers and succeeded General Sherman in command of the military post at Monterey until the close of the war with Mexico. He served as secretary to the California Convention.

He had planned, with J. S. Robb and H. H. Robinson, to publish the *San Jose Statesman*, but after the initial announcement the newspaper never materialized. Robb, who owned the presses, went on to become the first official state printer.

Following his retirement, Marcy engaged in business for a time in Alameda, Cal. but his eyesight failed and he and his wife moved into the Crocker Old People's Home in San Francisco, where he later died.

Child, surname *Marcy*,

- 7. i. LILLIAN J.⁷, b. ca. 1860

7. **LILLIAN J.⁷ MARCY** (*William G.⁶, William L.⁵, Jedediah⁴, ...*) was born circa 1860 and died 8 Jan. 1922. She married, 7 Jan. 1880, Dr. Jose Steele Eastman.

Child, surname *Eastman*,

- i. SAMUEL P., b. ca. 1883, d. Woodside, Cal., 13 Feb. 1941

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The Family of Samuel Hopkins Willey

CHAPLAIN

1. **ISAAC WILLIAM¹ WILLEY**, had his oldest child baptized in Boston in 1640. He settled at New London, Conn. in 1645.

Children, *surname Willey*,

- i. ABRAHAM², m. ELIZABETH MORTIMER; res. Haddam.
 - ii. ISAAC, d. 1662, m. _____.
 - iii. HANNAH, m. SAMUEL SPENSER or PETER BLATCHFORD.
2. iv. JOHN
- v. SARAH

2. **JOHN² WILLEY**, (*Isaac W.¹*) married, 1670, MIRIAM MOORE, daughter of Miles Moore. He died 2 May 1688.

Children, *surname Willey*,

- 3. i. ISAAC³, age 18¾ in 1688.
- ii. ISABEL, 17 in 1688.
- iii. JOHN, 14¾ in 1688.
- v. MIRIAM, 12 in 1688.
- iv. ALLEN, 9 in 1688.
- vi. ABEL, 6 in 1688.
- vii. MARY, 4 in 1688.

3. **ISAAC³ WILLEY**, (*John², Isaac W.¹*) was born circa 1669. He married 4 [14] Dec. 1697, ROSE BENNETT and lived in Hadlyme, Conn. in 1738.

Children, *surname Willey*,

- i. Isaac⁴, b. 15 Sep. 1699

- ii. Sarah, b. 20 Dec. 1700
- iii. John, b. 14 Sep. 1702
- iv. Hannah, b. 11 May 1704
- v. Rachal, b. 22 Mar. 1708
- vi. Abel, b. 28 Aug. 1709
- vii. Miriam, b. 20 Mar. 1711
- viii. Deborah, b. 28 Aug. 1715
- ix. Zachary, b. 24 Nov. 1716

4. **ISAAC⁴ WILLEY**, (*Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*) was born 15 Sep. 1699 and married 12 May 1727/8 DELIVERANCE TALLMAN.

Children, surname *Willey*,

- i. Nathaniel⁵, b. 12 Feb. 1727/8
 - ii. Deliverance, b. 8 Jan. 1729/30
 - iii. Abigail, b. 18 Jan. 1729/39
 - iv. Bezella, b. 10 Sep. 1734 (son)
5. v. Darius, b. 3 May 1737

5. **DARIUS⁵ WILLEY**, (*Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*) was born 3 May 1737, and died at Campton, 5 Mar. 1829. He married, 1762, MARY WILLEY. She died 19 Mar. 1819.

He came to Campton on horseback in 1770 and was the first settler on a farm on Road 15.

Children, surname *Willey*,

- i. ISAAC⁶, m. SUSAN RYAN, of Plymouth, N.H.
6. ii. DARIUS, b. 15 Aug. 1765.

6. **DARIUS⁶ WILLEY**, (*Darius⁵, Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*) was born at Hadlyme, Conn., 15 Aug. 1765 and married 4 Dec. 1792, MARY PULSIFER, a descendant of Thomas Brown of Newberry, Mass. She was born at Campton, 4 Apr. 1773. He wrote the genealogy from which this ancestry is taken.

Children, *surname Willey*,

- i. ISAAC⁷, married twice and had twelve children by his first wife and three more by the second.
- ii. ABIGAIL, b. 6 May 1795, m. SAMUEL BROWN.
- iii. ELIZA, b. 2 Aug. 1797, m. 2 Dec. 1819, THOMAS MARSH.
- iv. LEONARD, b. 29 Aug. 1799
- v. RHODA, b. 27 July 1801, m. 1823, WASHINGTON MARSH.
- vi. CHARITY, b. 29 Jan. 1804, m. JAMES LADD.
- vii. AUSTIN, b. 24 June 1806
- viii. WORCESTER, b. 9 Jan. 1808
- ix. ADALINE, b. 28 Aug. 1811
- 7. x. SAMUEL HOPKINS, b. 11 Mar. 1821

7. **SAMUEL HOPKINS⁷ WILLEY**, (*Darius⁶, Darius⁵, Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*), chaplain at the California Constitutional Convention, was born 11 Mar. 1821 and married, 19 Sept. 1849, MATTIE N. JEFFERS of New Jersey.

He attended Ashby Academy in Ashby, Mass., Teachers' Seminary at Plymouth, N.H., the academy at Meriden, N.H. He entered Dartmouth in fall of 1840 and graduated with the class of 1845. He then went to N.Y. where he entered the Union Theological Seminary.

Willey was licensed by the Fourth Presbytery of N.Y. and began his ministry at the Congregational Church of Medford, Mass. in fall of 1848. He had been there three to four months when the American Home Masonry Society proposed to send him to California.

He set sail on 1 Dec. 1848 from N.Y. and was ordained as a Mason on the steamer *Falcon*, arriving in Monterey harbor 23 Feb. 1849. He soon met with **Walter Colton**, the Navy chaplain and outgoing *alcalde*. "He met us with a most cordial welcome and a playful good cheer," Willey wrote later, "but as to the prospect of our undertaking he could say little that was encouraging." There were not enough English-speaking residents of the Protestant faith to form the nucleus of a church. Undaunted, Willey immediately began teaching and holding Sunday

morning church services, performing the actual work of an army chaplain.

In September of 1849, he took the post of Chaplain of the Constitutional Convention (alternating with Padre Ramirez de Arrellano) and was married in the same month. The wedding was intended to be a small, private affair, but as the convention had run overlong, it became a major social event with all the members of the convention invited at the last minute. The bride wore a pair of bracelets furnished by **Caleb Lyon**, Mrs. Botts sent a white rose made from the feathers of an albatross and **Rodman Price** gave the couple a beautiful and large Chinese work box. [JWW]

San Francisco needed a new church, so he moved there in May of 1850 as a missionary, and established the Howard Presbyterian Church. He was one of the editors of *The Pacific*, a religious newspaper of the time, and took an active part in establishing the College of California, later called the University of California. He returned to the East Coast to visit his family in 1855, during which time he spent several weeks raising money for the foundling institution.

He arrived back in San Francisco, 1 Jan. 1856 and returned to work in Home Missionary correspondence, *The Pacific*, and the College. He resigned his pastorate of twelve years in April of 1862 and was asked by the Trustees of the College to take charge of the institution.

Children, *surname Willey*,

8. i. HENRY IDE⁸, b. 2 July 1850
9. ii. ANNIE BREWSTER, b. 17 June 1852
- iii. WILLIAM JEFFERS, b. 1 July 1854
10. iv. MARIA MULFORD, b. 6 Dec. 1856
- v. SAMUEL HOPKINS, b. 21 Aug. 1859, m. 19 Nov. 1883, CHARLOTTE HARMON; res. Seattle, Wash. No children.
- vi. MARTHA HOWARD, b. 7 Sept. 1865, d. 7 Oct. 1886.

8. **HENRY IDE⁸ WILLEY**, (*Samuel H.⁷, Darius⁶, Darius⁵, Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*) was born at San Francisco, 2 July 1850 and died in 1914. He married, 25 Dec. 1876, ROSA HINCHMAN, daughter of Augustus

Felix and Maria de la Luz (Cota) Hinchman. She was born in Santa Barbara and died at San Francisco, 25 Apr. 1931.

Henry Willey was Surveyor General of California. He lived in California and later in New York.

Children, surname *Willey*,

- i. GUY HINCHMAN⁹, died in infancy
- 11. ii. ROBERTA RAFAELA
- iii. AUGUSTA FREDERICKA, m. GEORGE BURDEN STEVENS; res. Berkeley.
- iv. MARAQUITA, d. at an early age.
- v. MARTHA, d. infancy.

9. **ANNIE BREWSTER⁸ WILLEY**, (*Samuel H.⁷, Darius⁶, Darius⁵, Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*) was born, 17 June 1852 and married, 21 Jan. 1874, AMASA B. PRAY. They lived in Santa Cruz, San Francisco and Berkeley and were the proprietors of the Van Ness Seminary.

Children, surname *Pray*,

- i. CHARLES MILTON⁹, b. 2 Nov. 1874, d. 17 Dec. 1930; m. ANNA DAY. He was in the steel business.
- ii. FRANCES JEFFERS, *Fannie*, res. Berkeley.

10. **MARIA MULFORD⁸ WILLEY**, (*Samuel H.⁷, Darius⁶, Darius⁵, Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*) was born, 6 Dec. 1856 and married Dr. EDWARD GRAY, son of Samuel Sutton and Lucy (Wetmore) Gray. He was born 17 Nov. 1849 at Benicia and died in 1920.

Children, surname *Gray*,

- i. BEULAH WILLEY⁹, b. 18 Oct. 1890, d. 8 Jan. 1894.
- ii. son, d. infancy.
- iii. GERARD WILLEY, b. 24 July 1896. He was a San Francisco businessman.

11. **ROBERTA RAFAELA⁹ WILLEY**, (*Henry⁸, Samuel H.⁷, Darius⁶, Darius⁵, Isaac⁴, Isaac³, John², Isaac W.¹*), married CHARLES LARKIN DAVIS, and resided in Berkeley and Santa Cruz.

Children, surname *Davis*, (incomplete?)

- i. ROBERTA¹⁰, b. ca. 1900
- ii. DOROTHY, b. ca. 1903
- iii. WALTER

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