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SUTTER YUBA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am extremely pleased with our organization's accomplishments since its conception on the 23rd of October 1973 in the home of our founder, Francine Gillum.

This publication is tangible evidence of the strength and direction of our Society. Editor Buzz Harrison deserves all of our thanks for his efforts in getting Quarterly Volume I, Issue No. 1 off the presses.

I am confident that we will rapidly move towards accomplishing our two-fold purpose:

- a. To aid each member in compiling his own family genealogy.
- b. To preserve and publish genealogical data pertaining to Sutter, Yuba and other nearby Northern California counties. Such data to include: cemetery, church, family bible and diary, land records, etc.

Each member's active participation in meetings, workshops and other ~~PROJECTS~~ will result in a vital organization.

Lastly, my thanks to Francine Gillum, who brought us together and planted the seed. Best of luck to you and Frank in your new life in Salinas. We will miss you.

D. Gene Mattocks

EDITORS NOTES Harry W. "Buzz" Harrison, Editor

"And in the beginning . . ." there was Francine Gillum, the prime mover of our organization, who we thank for our first meetings in October and November 1973. From the original group of five, the membership has increased to nineteen, in the first three months. Keep in contact with us Francine, and best wishes in your new home.

26 February 1974 Meeting

Mrs. Indra Nason gave a program on "Introduction to Genealogy" and gave the following information as Research Sources: vital records; census records; court records(probate & wills); land records; emmi-gration; periodicals and Literature.

She suggested a following checklist, particularly useful for beginners: 1) Develop pedigree chart 2) communicate with relatives and record family "stories" and anecdotes etc. 3) check and verify records 4) check church records in libraries 5) write letters for official information.

MARYSVILLE, YUBA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

----- AS IT WAS -----

(From the first Marysville City Directory;
published in August, 1853 by Hale and
Emory.)

SKETCH OF THE CITY

What is now known as the city of Marysville, three and a half years ago was called Nye's Ranch. At that period but one tenement graced the northern bank of the Yuba. Its locality was near the site of the "Ohio House", at the foot of D Street. It was an adobe structure, venerable and antique, but doomed to fall in the great fire of August, 1851. With this single exception, the plain upon which our city now stands, was unadorned by the hand of art, and uninhabited, save by the occupants of the castle and the roving squads of idle and worthless Indians. Early in the winter of '49 and '50 the mountain trade began to centre at this point, the small boats engaged in freighting from the lower cities finding this a natural and almost necessary terminus. The consequence was, that large quantities of goods were soon deposited upon what is now the plaza, teams and packers came crowding in from the mountains, a brisk and profitable trade sprang up, a hundred snow-white tents lent their charm to the scene, and Nye's Ranch began to give promise of future importance. The proprietors of the Ranch, Messrs. Sampson, Ramirez, Covillaud and Sicard, did not long remain blind to their own interests nor to the signs of the times; but as early as December conceived the idea of laying out a city. A surveyor was accordingly procured, and the old ranch laid off into lots, blocks and ranges; and "city lots" were soon being sold and conveyed with all the technical solemnity incident to the transfer of an English manor. Things being thus organized, large numbers of adventurers from below daily landed upon our shores, pitched their tents, and commenced business. But up to this period there was no government, no law, no officers of justice; and questions of interest and importance, involving the rights of citizens, were constantly arising. Accordingly, on the 18th of January, 1850, an election was held, at which some three hundred votes were cast. Stephen J. Field, Esq., was duly elected chief justiciary of the realm; or, in Spanish parlance, Alcalde. T. M. Twitchell was elected Sheriff; but, for some reason, declined serving, whereupon R. B. Buchanan was appointed in his place. A Common Council was also elected. Mr. Field soon after received a commission from the Governor, qualified, and commenced the administration of law and justice

in an able and satisfactory manner, as the records of his proceedings, now reposing in the archives of the county, will abundantly testify. The wheels of government being thus set in motion by the popular will, the oil of a liberal fee-bill preserved the machinery, and every thing connected with the growth and prosperity of our city moved forward with unparalleled success. A thousand avenues to wealth opened before us; trade increased with a rapidity hitherto unknown; steamers daily visited our landing; buildings arose on every street and corner; hotels were furnished and opened; saloons erected and richly ornamented, and every feature of the young city assured the aspect of thrift and enterprize. Thus matters progressed till the first Monday of April, when, pursuant to an Act of the Legislature, an election was held for County Officers. A swarm of candidates, irrespective of politics, took the field; and, after a warm though good natured contest, the following named gentlemen were elected, viz; County Judge, H. P. Haun; County Attorney, S. B. Mulford; County Clerk, E. D. Wheeler; Sheriff, R. B. Buchanan; County Recorder, Alfred Lawton; County Surveyor, J. B. Cushing; County Treasurer, L. W. Taylor; County Assessor, S. C. Tompkins; Coroner, S. T. Brewster. At this election about eight hundred votes were cast in Marysville. During the summer of 1850, improvements in town were moderate, many feeling undecided as to which of the up river towns would be the place. The following winter was extremely dull, money scarce, and real estate very much depressed. Notwithstanding these unfavorable signs, a bill, during the winter, passed the Legislature, incorporating the "City of Marysville," dividing it into four Wards, and authorizing an election on the first Monday of March, 1851, for Mayor and eight Aldermen. The election resulted in the following choice -- for Mayor, S. M. Miles; Aldermen, Messrs Ransom, Stambaugh, Shaeffer, Tallman, Smith, Rice, Covillaud and Tompkins. With the return of Spring, and the establishment of a regular municipal government, a new and cheering era dawned upon the City of Marysville. Business, in all its phases, revived; and improvements of a durable character began to be made. And since that period our city has progresses with a firm, healthful step; constantly increasing in wealth, population and beauty. The river bed has been cleared of obstructions, so that steamers visit us every day in the year. Our population now numbers nearly ten thousand. The canvas tent of '49 and '50 has retired to give room for elegant brick structures which now adorn every portion of our city, giving pleasing and substantial evidence of our prosperity. Mills, Iron Works, Machine Shops and Manufactories are established to supply the wants of community; Churches and Schools to improve our education and morals; and charitable institutions to gladden the hearts and ameliorate the condition of the unfortunate among us. Two daily newspapers are published, which contain all the important news, both foreign and at home.

Thus do we stand before the world; three years having changed the wilderness to a city; and, considering our commercial advantages, our beds of gold, our lofty mountain forests, and broad, productive fields, we certainly can, without exaggeration, indulge the brightest hopes for the future greatness of our beloved Marysville.

(to be continued)

BRIEF ON YUBA COUNTY

YUBA COUNTY is one of the few Historic Counties in California. In June 1848 a gentleman by the name of JONAS SPECT succeeded in raising "color" on the Yuba River near the Timbuctoo Ravine, the discovery of GOLD in Yuba County. His journal told of this moving down the creek and remaining there until November 20, "When I Left the Mines Forever". Michael Nye and William Foster "Found Paying Digging's" on Dry Creek near the Yuba River - Exact Date?? - In July 1848 John Rose arrived at the bar which later was called Rose Bar.

DOBBINS CREEK is named after the Dobbins Brothers who settled here in 1849. William M. Dobbins and Mark D. Dobbins who was 25 years of age, little is known of Mark Dobbins. He was Captain of the Yuba Guard in 1855, and Captain of the Marysville Rifles which was formed in 1856. William Dobbins when quite young participated in Commodore Perry's engagement on Lake Erie, when he died in 1876 he was the last surviving witness of that historic contest. He was elected Justice of this region in 1849 and later was a court clerk. In 1859 he went East and never returned to this coast.

DOBBINS RANCH passed through the hands of several parties between 1855 and 1862, it then became the property of Joseph Merriam. The Pioneer Store was opened in 1867 by William Slingsby and Dan Gettens. A store was started by Charles Craft on the Yuba Ranch, one mile above Dobbins. A Blacksmith Shop was run by L. S. Camper. A School House had been built by 1855. By 1879 they had a total of 36 students, 17 boys and 19 girls. The Board Members were Joseph Merriam, Clerk Thomas Labadie and L. S. Camper. The Teacher's salary was the full sum of \$438.75 a year. The buildings are a mile from the Dobbins Ranch, located on Texas Hill Road, and are used as a Civic Center. The New school was built in 1951.

THE LACK OF ROADS thru the Sierra Foothills made the Pack Mule a necessity. In the later part of 1849 W. H. Parks ran a Pack Train from Nye's Ranch (later called Marysville) thru Oregon House, the Dobbins Ranch, Bullards Bar to Foster Bar (above Bullards Dam). He sold out in February 1850. In that same year John Seaward ran a Pack Train from Downieville to Foster Bar which connected with an Ox Team from Marysville. Slingsby and Gettens ran a Pack Train on, what was called, the Downieville Trail continuously for a number of years, furnishing supplies to the surrounding country. Then Joseph Merriam took over the store, he had several men working for him in the summer time, hauling freight from Marysville to Camptonville. These Pack Trains were made up of Mules, Oxen, and Wild Horses which were trained to pull two to four wagons. As many as 90 to 100 Mules were used on a Pack Train - some times called a "Prairie Schooner".

Three Miles Southwest of Dobbins Ranch is the site of the Kentucky Ranch the first stopping place. Then came the Golden Ball, two miles

south of Oregon House on the Downieville Trail. Where the road crossed Dry Creek was the Virginia Ranch, settled in 1850 by J. A. Paxton who kept a Hotel and Trading Post. In 1859 Mr. Paxton sold to Peter Rice and the Trading Post and Hotel ceased to be.

Going North, high on the ridge halfway between Dobbins Ranch and Bullards Bar there stood for many years the Mountain Cottage House built at the Five Mile Ranch by Colonel Prentice, Government Indian Agent in charge of the four or five thousand Yuba Indians.

THE MAIDU TRIBE occupied the Dobbins Area. They have left "Mortars in Place" a rocky formation, the hole being about 5 or 6 inches deep and located close to a supply of acorns. After shelling them they were ground for soup, mush or bread. The Indian Women would gather in groups to do this work. There have been several "Mortars in Place" found in this area but they are on private land. There is one on display at Oroville Dam. There have been Single Mortars found - but they are rare.

When you are leaving Dobbins toward Bullards Dam or to Marysville remember it took the Pack Train ten days to make the trip up and back from Marysville to Foster Bar.

The town of Dobbins was destroyed by fire in 1967.

SOURCE OF DATA: California Census 1850 - History of Yuba County 1879, printed by the California Traveler, Jackson, California - Indian Lore - Michale Harrison - Paper of Chester Merriam - and Marysville Public Library.

BRIEF ON GEORGE E. BRITTAN

GEORGE E. BRITTAN - Prominent among the early pioneers is the name George E. Brittan, who was born on March 13, 1831, in Shenandoah County, Va., where he lived until 1834. He then moved to Missouri with his father's family, and remained there until 1849, when he and his father crossed the plains to California. The father; Thomas Brittan, was born and was born and reared in Old Virginia. As a country gentleman, he was identified with the plantation life of that State. In 1834 he moved his family overland to Missouri, where he cleared a pioneer farm and created a new home. When he crossed the plains in 1849, the rigors of the overland journey proved too severe, and he died soon after reaching Marysville. The mother, Elizabeth Finks Brittan, was a native of Virginia, who crossed the plains and lived in Sutter County until the ripe age of ninety-three years.

In 1848 George E. Brittan married his former schoolmate, Mary A. E. Garr of Virginia, the daughter of Mark F. Garr, a planter. Having gained a start in the West, Mr. Brittan returned to Missouri

in 1852 and brought his young wife, and his mother, brother, and sister, to California. He built his home from stone hewed out of the solid rock of the Buttes, and it still stands to illustrate the endeavors of a hardy pioneer. Ten children came to bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. Brittan: Mary, deceased; Elizabeth, who married J. N. Davis, deceased; James, now of Colusa County, Henry H., also of Colusa County; George Jr., deceased; A. F., deceased; Robert L., deceased; Mattie V. who married O. Wulwebber and now lives in Chicago; Anna C., deceased; and Mark Thomas, deceased.

Mr. Brittan was a democrat, and was prominent in the affairs of the county as well as in the neighborhood in which he lived. He served as supervisor of his district, and the grammar school of Sutter City still bears the name of the Brittan District. When his health failed, he retired from ranching and moved to San Francisco, where he spent his last days. George E. Brittan died in the year 1910, leaving a name that is still honored in Sutter County.

YUBA AND SUTTER COUNTIES, ILLUSTRATED - Peter J. Delay, Historic Record Co, Los Angeles, Ca. (1924)

EDWARD HENRY KRULL AND FAMILY

Edward Henry Krull, the son of William and Gertrude (Martin) Krull of Germany, emigrated to the United States when 12 years old and settled in Iowa, where he lived seven years. He then moved to Minnesota and lived there three years before coming across the plains to California in 1864. After living a short while in Marysville, he settled in Sutter County in 1870 where he was engaged in farming. Krull Brothers (Edward Henry Krull and Joseph Franklin Krull) at one time owned 400 acres in Live Oak and 320 acres in East Butte.

The following are the descendants of Edward Henry Krull:

- Edward Henry Krull: b. 27 August 1841 in Germany
m. 8 November 1887 Marysville, California to Mary Elizabeth Christina Hagemann; (daughter of John Casper Hagemann and Mary Ann Weidemeyer)
- d. 15 January 1917 Sutter County, California
buried at Sutter City, CA

Children:

- William John Krull: b. 1890; m. 1919; d. 1964
Mary Anna Krull: b. 1891; m. 1929; d. 1966
Gertrude Louis Krull: b. 1900; m. 1924
Albert Joseph Krull: b. 1901; m. 1934

William John Krull: b. 27 June 1890 Sutter County, CA
m. 12 July 1919 Sutter County, California
to Clara Helen Bisset: b. 12 July 1894 Gridley, CA
(she daughter of Thomas Bisset and Ada Anderson)
d. 27 March 1964 Placer County, California
buried in Sutter City, California

Children:

Wilma Edna Krull: b. 1924; m. 1955; d. 1967
Thomas Edward Krull: b. 1928; m. 1949

Mary Anna Krull: b. 26 August 1891 Sutter County, California
m. 30 January 1929 Marysville, California
to Samuel T. Stephenson: b. 1873
d. 30 November 1949 Marysville, California
d. 13 November 1966 Sutter County, California
buried in Sutter City, California

Child:

Jerome Edward Stephenson: b. 15 February 1929
in Napa, California; never married

Gertrude Louise Krull: b. 12 March 1900 Sutter County, California
m. 3 March 1924 Marysville, California
to Elwood Simmons

no children

Albert Joseph Krull: b. 9 August 1901 Sutter County, California
m. 29 April 1934 Carson City, Nevada
to Marie Allene Gross: b. 5 December 1904 in
Beersheba Springs, Tennessee; (daughter of Frank Gross
and Emma Brown)

Child: Donald Albert Krull: b. 1945; m. 1966

Wilma Edna Krull (daughter of William John and Clara Krull):
b. 29 December 1924 Marysville, California
m. 2 April 1955 Richmond, California
to Lloyd Frederick Freechtle: b. 7 November 1925 California
d. 28 August 1968 Oakland, California
d. 18 January 1967 Pinole, California

Children:

Margaret Lynn Freechtle: b. 13 October 1956 Oakland, CA
William Lloyd Freechtle: b. 29 July 1959 Oakland, CA
Sharon Louise Freechtle: b. 1 February 1961 Oakland, CA

Thomas Edward Krull (son of William John and Clara Krull)
b. 12 October 1928 Marysville, California
m. 14 August 1949 Yuba City, California
to Ruth Jean Perkins: b. 1928 California
(daughter of Jasper A. Perkins and Mae Mollard)

Children:

Colleen Ruth Krull: b. 29 June 1952 Yuba City, California
Edward William Krull: b. 26 November 1954 Yuba City,
d. 27 November 1954 Yuba City
Thomas Edward Krull: b. 6 July 1956 Yuba City
Lizabeth Jane Krull: b. 17 March 1958 Yuba City

Donald Albert Krull (son of Albert Joseph and Marie Krull)
b. 11 May 1945 Marysville, California
m. 3 September 1966 Marysville, California
to Sara Sue Wood: b. 21 August 1945 Marysville, California

Child: Christopher Alan Krull: b. 22 December 1970
Sacramento, California

Parents of Edward Henry Krull:

William Krull: b. July 1810 in Germany
d. 29 June 1882 Sutter County, California
buried in Catholic Cemetery, Marysville, CA

Gertrude Martin: b. September 1805
d. 19 April 1892 Sutter County, California
buried in Catholic Cemetery, Marysville, CA

Parents of Mary Elizabeth Christina Hagemann:

John Casper Hagemann: b. 14 February 1826 Germany
d. 2 November 1908 Sutter County, Calif.
buried in Catholic Cemetery, Marysville, CA

Mary Ann Weidemeyer: b. September 1838 in Germany
d. 14 May 1893 Sutter County, Calif.
buried in Catholic Cemetery, Marysville, CA

BRIEF ON FAMILY RECORD (from old Bible)

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(spelling & punctuation copied exactly as in original)

MARRIAGES

Andrew Lake was married
to Betsy Woodard Nov.
the 14th 1802

Caleb M. Lake was
Married to Laura C. Tuttle
Oct. 28th 1845

Jape W. Lake was
married to Miss
Lois W. Goodrick Oct.
the 11th. 1827

Sarah A. Lake married
J. Lee Mitchell. May
1" 1869

Seddie Laura Mitchell
married Allan Bertram
Burkholder, Jan. 4. 1903.

Drury Kemp Mitchell
married Mary O'Mara
Feb. 21, 1911.

Mary Lee Mitchell married
to Everett Charles Dunham
Jan. 3, 1931.

Henry C. Cartwright was
married to Laura C. Lake
May 31st 1864.

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BIRTHS

Andrew Lake was born
July 30. th 1779

Betsy Woodard was
born April 20th. 1789

Jape W. Lake was
born August 16th. 1803

Nathaniel buel Lake
was born May the 31st
1805.

Caroline Lake was born
Nov. 5th 1806

Joseph Lake was born July
14th 1808

Chauncey G. Lake was born
April, 10th. 1814

Caleb M. Lake was born Oct.
31. st. 1819

Andrew Lake Jr. was born
December. 12th. 1822

Drury Kemp Mitchell Born
Sept. 21st 1875 at Pueblo,
Colorado

Calib M. Lake was Born
October 31th, 1819

Laura C. Tuttle was
born June 15th. 1822

Sarah A. Lake was Born,
July, 23, 1846

Caroline Lake was Born
April, 2n- 1851

J. Lee Mitchell. Feb. 19.
1844 at New Lisbon, Ohio

Charles Lee Mitchell. July
24" 1870 At Chicago, Ill

Seddie L. Mitchell. Oct. 21"
1871 at Plymouth, Indiana

Allan Lee Burkholder July
23, 1908, at Manila, P. I.

Emmett Mitchell Burkholder
Jan. 29, 1912, at Manila,
P. I.

Allan Bertram Burkholder
Oct. 5, 1878, Linn Co., MO.

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(BIRTHS)

Mary Lee Mitchell
Born March 25, 1912

Drury Kemp Mitchell, Jr.,
Born Sept. 3, 1916

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DEATHS

Joseph Lake Died Apr. 24.th.
1813. aged 73

Sarah Lake died Dec. 31st.
1788 aged. 40

Caroline Lake. died Sept. 2" 1868

Charles Lee Mitchell.
died June 29th 1872.

James Lee Mitchell
died Dec. 24, 1897.

Henry E. Cartwright
died July 10, 1882.

Allan B. Burkholder
died Oct. 27, 1927.
at Livermore, Cal.

Sarah Ann Mitchell died
Nov. 14, 1928, at Manila, P. I.

Carrie Lake died September 2d,
1868, in Sharon, Conn., aged 17
years and 5 months.

Betsy Lake. died sept
11th 1845 Aged 59

Calib M. Lake. Died
April 27th- 1857. aged 37

Laura C. Lake Cartwright
died July 23d 1918.
in Manila, P. I.
Aged 94 years.

Henry E. Cartwright died
July 10, 1882, aged 51 years

William Tuttle died May 5,
1883, aged 64 years

Mary O'Mara Mitchell died
Nov. 13, 1950

Drury Kemp Mitchell died
June 8th 1956 at Clearwater,
Florida

Seddie Laura Mitchell Burkholder
died at 5:30 P. M. on August
27, 1963 at Ukiah, California

QUERIES

Presently anyone may submit free inquiries limited to 25 words. We reserve the right to edit or refuse any query. Material will not be returned.

Harry W. Harrison - 533 Trinity Avenue, Yuba City, California 95991, desires info on Walter Harrison b. Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. His father Henry Harrison, from Birmingham, England?

Harry W. Harrison (above) need info on Grace Long. b. Hawarden, Iowa and her ancestors. Her grandfather George W. Long never returned from civil war from Iowa. Who was father and mother of George?

Mrs. J. Frederick Trojan - Cedar Swamp Road, Deep River, Conn. 06417, would like info on Scott and Cole families from Cranmore and Grand Island. William and Adele Hunter Scott had daughters Floretta marr. 1886 Hirem Emmet Cole. Clara marr. ca 1880 _____ Lee.

John Cole marr. Adele Hunter Scott and had children named; Ed, Perry, Asenath, Ida and Adella. One of these girls marr. _____ Harris and lived near Elk Grove. How was Thayer Scott related to this family?

VITAL STATISTICS

Addresses

National Archives and Records Service
General Services Administration
Washington D. C.
Include publication numbers.

Libraries

Gridley Branch Genealogical Library
348 Spruce Street
Gridley, California PH: 846-3921
Hrs. Monday 1 - 5 p.m.
Tuesday 1 - 5 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m.
Wednesday 1 - 5 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m.
Thursday 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Sutter County Library
750 Forbes Avenue
Yuba City, California Ph: 673-5773

Sutter Branch Library
2147 California
Sutter, California Ph: 755-0485

Marysville City Library
301 - 4th Street
Marysville, California Ph: 743-7196

Chico Branch Genealogical Library
1528 Explanade
Chico, California Ph: 343-6641

California Genealogical Library
2099 Pacifica
Temple Library
Oakland, California

Carmichael Library
2745 Eastern Avenue
Carmichael, California

Sutro Library
San Francisco
(near University of San Francisco)

Museums

Sutter County Museum
114 Carriage Square
Yuba City, California Ph: 673-7465

Mary Aaron Memorial Museum
704 D Street
Marysville, California Ph: 742-9728

Resources

1852 California State Census
Marysville Library

Sutro (micro films available)
Genealogical Helper
Sutter County Library

LIBRARY NEWS

Two books have been donated to the Sutter Yuba Genealogical Society by the members, they are:

1. HALKYARD DESCENDANTS, 1973
This book was privately published and is not available for purchase from any commercial printer. It is of interest because it is very detailed and complete and traces the descent of many local families from the Halkyards.
2. SEARCHING FOR YOUR ANCESTORS, by Gilbert H. Doane, Fourth Revised Edition, 1974, Bantam Books, Inc., New York, N.Y. 10019. It is a very informative book for beginners.

Any member desiring to borrow these two books may arrange to do so by contacting A. L. Burkholder, Librarian by telephone (695-2176) in the evening or by writing to P.O. Box 305, Live Oak, Calif. 95953.

It is hoped that further donations of books may be received from persons who no longer need them after completing research.

The Sutter County and the Yuba County libraries contain numerous books on genealogy and heraldry but the choice of books is rather haphazard and many standard references are not included. The most complete library on genealogy in this area is that of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormon) at 348 Spruce Street, Gridley, telephone (916) 846-3921. It is open afternoons and evenings on certain weekdays and nonmembers of the church are welcome to use it without charge.

The largest place for the purchase of books on genealogy and heraldry is the Genealogical Publishing Company, Inc., 521-523 St. Paul Place; Baltimore, Maryland 21202, telephone (301) 837-8271. I am now sending to them for copies of their latest catalogue to include in our library.

A. L. Burkholder, Librarian

SOURCES FOR GENEALOGY IN THE CALIFORNIA SECTION
CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY

The California Section of the California State Library has a variety of materials in its collection which may be used for genealogical research. In an extensive collection of books, periodicals, pictures, maps, and manuscripts relating to California, the following items may be particularly useful in searching for information relating to Californians:

1. Federal Census Records. California, 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880.

The population Schedules are available on microfilm. The original Agriculture, Manufactures, Products of Industry, Social Statistics and Mortality Schedules have been transferred to the State Library from the Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. The listings in the various Schedules are handwritten and are not indexed.

2. California State Census Records. 1852

This special California state census for 1852 was the only census taken by the State of California. It has been copied and indexed by the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which has retained one typewritten copy at its headquarters in Washington, D.C., and placed one copy in the State Library. This is also now available on microfilm.

3. Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Collection.

This depository collection contains nearly 150 typewritten volumes of California family records, cemetery records, vital records, marriage records, church records, court records, wills, selected World War II service records, etc.

4. Great Registers of Voters.

The index to the file of voters has been put out by each county since 1866-67, and almost a complete collection is available here.

5. City and County Directories.

Numerous California city and county directories, some going back to the 1850's, are here. The collection includes long files of San Francisco, Sacramento, Los Angeles, and Oakland directories.

6. Telephone Directories.

Supplementing city directories is an extensive collection of California telephone directories from 1897 to date.

7. Biographical Dictionaries.

The State Library has a collection of regional, state and local biographical dictionaries like WHO'S WHO IN THE WEST, WHO'S WHO IN CALIFORNIA, etc.

8. County Histories.

Almost a complete collection of California county histories is in the State Library. Most of the biographical sketches in these volumes have been indexed.

9. Newspapers.

Files of California newspapers from 1846 to the present gives wide coverage of the state.

10. Specialized Files and Indexes.

a. Information File and Newspaper Index.

These indexes contain about 2- $\frac{1}{2}$ million entries with references to Californians and material relating to California. The information File covers selected items in books, periodicals and newspapers. The Newspaper Index contains references to items of California interest in a San Francisco newspaper from 1904 to date. A printed index for the San Francisco CALL extends this coverage back to 1894.

b. Pioneer Record File.

This file consist of biographical cards filled in by Californians here before 1960 or their descendants.

c. Biographical cards filled in by California artists, authors, actors, musicians and state officials.

d. Miscellaneous California cemetery and undertakers' records.

11. Other Selected Genealogical Sources.

a. "Names of pioneers," in C.W. Haskins' THE ARGONAUTS OF CALIFORNIA (New York, Fords, Howard & Hubert, 1890). Alphabetical card index in Section.

b. "Pioneer register and index, 1542-1848," in Hubert H. Bancroft's HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA, vols. 2-5 (San Francisco, The History Publishing Co., 1886). Reprinted in 1964 by Dawson's Book Shop, Los Angeles, and Regional Publishing Co., Baltimore.

- c. RAILWAY PASSENGER LISTS OF OVERLAND TRAINS TO SAN FRANCISCO AND THE WEST, compiled by Louis J. Rasmussen. (Colma, Calif., San Francisco Historic Records 1966-)
 - d. SAN FRANCISCO SHIP PASSENGER LISTS, compiled by Louis J. Rasmussen. (Colma, Calif., San Francisco Historic Records 1965-). Passengers arriving San Francisco 1850-1875.
12. Some additional sources in Government Publications Section, State Library.
- a. "Biographical sketches of governors and register of officers of the State of California, 1849-1892," in Winfield J. Davis' HISTORY OF POLITICAL CONVENTIONS IN CALIFORNIA, 1849-1892 (Sacramento, 1893. Publications of the California State Library No. 1).
 - b. Lists of legislators and other state officers in CALIFORNIA BLUE BOOK (Sacramento, State Printer). See particularly the historical issues of 1907, 1909, and 1958.
 - c. RECORDS OF CALIFORNIA MEN IN THE WAR OF REBELLION, 1861-1867, by Richard Henry Orton (Sacramento, Adjutant-General's Office, 1890).
 - d. "List of pensioners on the roll January 1, 1883," published by the United States Pensions Bureau (Washington, D.C., 1883). Californians listed pages 778-802.

Though the amount of genealogical searching that can be done by the California Section is very limited, the Library welcomes researchers and is glad to assist them in the use of its material. For researchers living at a distance from Sacramento the Library can usually supply names of private professional searchers.

The Sutro Library branch of the California State Library has a large genealogical collection useful to genealogists interested in areas outside of California. The Sutro Library is located on Golden Gate Avenue at Temescal in San Francisco (Mailing address: 2130 Fulton Street, San Francisco 94117).