

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS,

From July 1st, 1862, to July 31st, 1863.

JULY 1, 1862. The amount of treasure shipped East by the departing steamer *St. Louis*, was \$1,267,160 58....The back Overland mails of 2d, 3d, and 4th April, arrived, bringing over 10,000 letters....Great preparations making for celebrating the Anniversary of National Independence.

JULY 2. U. S. steamer *Lancaster* arrived from Mare Island, where she had been undergoing repairs. As she was leaving the Navy Yard, Jonathan P. Roberts, a seaman, fell from aloft, and was instantly killed....Lick House Hotel opened for the reception of guests.

JULY 3. U. S. steamer *Saginaw*, which had been condemned in China as unseaworthy, was brought safely into port by Com. Watkins, who had been dispatched thither for that purpose by the U. S. Government....The Union Democratic State Central Committee nominated Col. Jonathan D. Stevenson for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

JULY 4. The Anniversary of Independence celebrated in a manner unsurpassed by any of its predecessors. The National ensign floated from all the public and private buildings and from the shipping in the harbor. National salutes were fired at morning, noon, and night. The display of the military, Regulars, and Volunteers, had never been equalled on any former occasion, and the civic portion of the procession was on the most extensive scale.

JULY 5. A fire occurred this morning, on the north side of Sacramento Street, between Mason and Taylor, destroying property to the amount of \$2,000....A small frame building on the east side of Virginia Street was destroyed by fire, and the occupant, James Gallagher, perished in the flames....A printer, named A. Wagner, was found drowned at the corner of East and Mission streets.

JULY 7. Corner Stone of the Hall of the Society of California Pioneers laid with imposing ceremonies by the Grand Master of the Masonic Order....Andrea Garibaldi, an Italian, dropped dead in the street, and a man named Dennis Hardy was found dead in a lumber yard....Willie Linn, a small boy, fell through one of the wharfs and was drowned.

JULY 8. Neil Doherty, a native of Philadelphia, fell from a balcony, and died of his injuries....A boy named Gregory died from the effects of the explosion of a pistol on the Fourth of July.

JULY 10. A grand Torch Light Procession in honor of the passage of the Pacific Rail Road Bill....Amount of treasure shipped East by the *Orizaba*, \$1,511,390 38—the largest sum shipped during the present year....Steamer *Oregon* arrived from Victoria and Portland, with \$286,796 26.

JULY 12. A billiard match between Joseph Little and Daniel Lynch took place at Tucker's Hall—won by Little.

JULY 13. A man named Thomas Dunigan dropped dead in his room, on the corner of Beale and Folsom streets—death caused by pulmonary apoplexy.

JULY 14. French corvette *Bayonnaise* arrived in the harbor—international salutes being exchanged between that vessel, Fort Alcatraz, and the U. S. frigate *Lancaster*.

JULY 16. A surplus of \$4,500 remaining of the moneys collected to defray the expenses of the celebration of the Fourth, was donated to the fund for

the relief of sick and disabled soldiers in the East....Frank Whitney reelected President of the Dashaway Association....Flag Officer Bell of the Pacific Squadron, visited the French corvette *Bayonnaise*, and was received with a National salute.

JULY 17. A Frenchman named Joseph Mulier was stabbed and killed by Andres Sessians, a Spaniard....A boy named John Henry Quinn was burned to death, by his clothes taking fire.

JULY 20. U. S. sloop of war *St. Marys* returned from a cruise down the coast....Lafayette Hook and Ladder Company visited the French corvette *Bayonnaise*.

JULY 21. Amount of treasure shipped East by the *Golden Gate*, \$1,400,747 24;—14,000 letters were dispatched in the steamer's mail.

JULY 24. The mail steamer *Golden Age* arrived, bringing a large number of passengers and one hundred and sixty bags of newspaper mail.

JULY 25. U. S. war steamer *Lancaster* put to sea....A ball was given at Tucker's Hall to the Officers of the French corvette *Bayonnaise*, by the Lafayette Hook and Ladder Company....The Mexicans of San Francisco subscribed \$600 for a sword to Gen. Zaragoza.

JULY 27. Death of the pioneer merchant, Capt. F. W. Macondray....Flouring mills of Jonathan Hunt on Francisco Street, between Powell and Mason, destroyed by fire. Loss \$2,000....H. B. M. steamer *Mutine* arrived from Panama.

JULY 31. During the month of July there were one hundred and sixty deaths in San Francisco....The Custom House receipts during the last fourteen days of the month amounted to \$303,000.

AUGUST 1. The steamship *Uncle Sam* sailed for Panama with treasure amounting to \$1,513,430 34....The colored population celebrated the anniversary of slave emancipation in the British West Indies by a general jubilee....A detachment of California Volunteers arrived from Fort Colville, W. T....James Morton and E. Murphy got into a drunken altercation, which ended by the former shooting the latter in the leg, which was amputated.

AUG. 2. George W. Colnere, indicted for the murder of his wife, was found guilty of murder in the first degree.

AUG. 3. The corner stone of *St. Mary's College*, at Bernal Heights, was laid with the customary ceremonies of the Catholic Church by Archbishop Alemany....George B. Tingley, a pioneer lawyer, and Register of the U. S. Land Office, died suddenly....John W. Wilde, of the banking house of Tallant & Wilde, died suddenly of disease of the heart.

AUG. 5. The funerals of George B. Tingley and John W. Wilde were largely attended by all classes of citizens....A detachment of California Volunteers left for Humboldt under command of Major J. F. Curtis....Ship Henry Brigham sold by the U. S. Marshal for \$15,250.

AUG. 6. The steamship *St. Louis* arrived, bringing the news of the burning of the Pacific Mail steamer *Golden Gate*, when about fifteen miles to the westward of Manzanillo, at five o'clock on the afternoon of July 27th, by which two hundred passengers were lost, together with the treasure and ship's papers. The surviving passengers returned on the *St. Louis*. The news caused a general gloom throughout the community.