

DEC. 11. Lientenant Colonel James F. Curtis sailed for Fort Drumm, the troops at which place had been placed under his command.

DEC. 12. James A. Moore was horribly burned by an explosion of gas in the West End Hotel.... The hostlers employed by the North Beach and Mission Railroad Company struck for higher wages.... The U. S. steam gunboat Narragansett sailed for Puget Sound, to look after privateers supposed to be fitting out in Victoria.

DEC. 13. E. P. Ragsdale died suddenly of heart disease.... The steamer Golden City sailed with \$1,349,349 97 treasure.

DEC. 14. Sister Madeline Murray, a Sister of Mercy, died.

DEC. 15. Steamer Oregon arrived from the North, having experienced heavy weather, and was compelled to throw a portion of the cargo overboard.

DEC. 16. The immense organ ordered by the Handel and Haydn Society arrived.

DEC. 17. F. W. H. Johnson arrested on a requisition from Nevada Territory, for shooting Horace Smith.... Fire on Stewart Street resulted in the total destruction of Marks & Walpole's Restaurant, Warner's cigar store, and Asber's clothing store.... La Cordeliere, a French gunboat, arrived in harbor.

DEC. 19. Hibernian House, on Second Street, destroyed by fire.... P. M. S. St. Louis sailed with \$1,606,437 24 in treasure.

DEC. 24. C. O. Gerberding died.... Pontifical High Mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral.

DEC. 25. Christmas generally celebrated.

DEC. 26. George W. Colnere, having been refused a new trial by the Supreme Court, was sentenced to be hung on the 30th of January.... Alexander Devoe, a well-known fireman, died.

DEC. 27. Brigadier General John S. Mason, assistant U. S. Provost Marshal General for California, arrived.

DEC. 28. Dr. R. M. Treadway, while intoxicated, shoots Francis May, on board the steamer Princess.... An affray amongst some squatters took place on Buchanan Street, between O'Farrell and Geary, during which John McCormick was shot and slightly wounded in the head.

DEC. 29. W. C. Thompson was drowned by falling overboard from Vallejo Street Wharf.

DEC. 30. An explosion of gas took place in the store of Deming & Co., Masonic Temple.... Louise Paullin broke her leg by being thrown from a horse.... Several shocks of earthquake were felt today.

JANUARY 1. J. B. E. Cavallier, President of the San Francisco Stock and Exchange Board of Brokers, presented with a silver punch-bowl worth \$1,600.... The anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation celebrated by the negroes.

JAN. 3. Golden Age sailed with \$1,797,792 81.... Charles Kensett committed suicide by taking laudanum.

JAN. 4. A cottage house on Corbett Street was destroyed by fire.

JAN. 5. Peruvian bark Mandarina seized by the revenue officers for violating the revenue law by importing pisco.... The special policemen were forbidden from wearing stars, and exercising the functions of the regular police force.... The steamer Pacific was confiscated for smuggling.

JAN. 6. George O'Doherty was appointed reporter, and Robt. C. Rogers commissioner, of the Twelfth District Court.... Michael Murray and John Cosgrove were tried in the U. S. Circuit Court for beating John Ganyon to death, on board the steamer Panama, and declared innocent.... Geo. F. Batchelder was convicted on charge of manslaughter.

JAN. 7. The pews of the Church of the Pilgrims were sold at prices ranging from \$200 to \$45.

JAN. 11. The Constitution broke her shaft while coming into port.

JAN. 12. The Willows burned. Total loss \$25,000.... The Colorado Steam Navigation Company incorporated.

JAN. 13. The steamer Orizaba sailed with \$1,140,087 76.... William Jackson convicted of manslaughter on the high seas, was sentenced to three years in the State Prison.

JAN. 16. The San Francisco and San José Railroad Company celebrated the completion of their road. A train of cars run over the line, and a grand dinner and speech-making was had at San José.... A large lot of opium, brought to this port by the ship Derby, was seized by the revenue authorities.... George W. Hutchinson adjudged guilty of smuggling.... A new trial granted to George F. Batchelder.

JAN. 17. Capt. Merritt, with a party of wreckers, arrived from New York.

JAN. 18. W. C. Taylor, long connected with the San Francisco press, died after a lingering illness.

JAN. 20. Alexander Plunkett, arrested by the Provost Guard for disloyalty, was found to be insane, and sent to the Stockton Asylum.... Alfred Rubery, one of the Chapman pirates, released on pardon by President Lincoln.

JAN. 22. Anniversary of Poland's equality celebrated by the natives of Poland by a requiem Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, and a grand dinner at the Polish Headquarters.... Steamer America arrived, 15 days from New York.... A cottage on the corner of Green and Mason streets was destroyed by fire.

JAN. 23. John Keegan, Treasurer Groom's Association, endeavored to abscond on the steamer. He was made to disgorge.... P. M. S. Golden City sailed for Panama with \$1,507,035 36 treasure.

JAN. 25. Capt. Merritt's wreckers began work upon the wreck of the Aquila.

JAN. 26. Ridgley Greathouse, Chapman pirate, was released upon taking the oath prescribed by the President's Amnesty Proclamation.... The prize money of the schooner Chapman was distributed by order of Court.... A dwelling house, occupied by Mr. Callahan, on Telegraph Hill, destroyed by fire.

JAN. 27. 200 jars of pisco seized by revenue officers.... Revenue officers were placed on Victoria steamers to look after the smugglers.

JAN. 28. George F. Batchelder was a second time convicted of manslaughter.... A large lot of cigars, tea, and toys were seized by the revenue officers.

JAN. 29. A preliminary meeting was held at Blumenberg's Hall, to protest against the repeal of the Specific Contract Bill.... George W. Colnere, under sentence of death, was respited for one week.

JAN. 31. The schooner Jenny Foard went ashore on Diablo Point, and was a total loss. McDonald, the mate, and William Osgood, a passenger, were drowned.

FEBRUARY 1. James M. Taylor was appointed Commissioner of the Fourth District Court.... J. C. Derby, ex-City Assessor, died.... A forged check for \$6,100 was paid by Donohoe, Kallston & Co.

FEB. 2. The schooner Caroline E. Foote, seized for smuggling, was released by order of Secretary of the Treasury.

FEB. 3. The St. Louis sailed with \$1,377,515 02.... The U. S. Sub-Treasurer sent \$2,000,000 in gold to New York, per St. Louis.

FEB. 4. A mass meeting in opposition to the repeal of the Specific Contract Bill, held at Platt's Hall. Supervisor Torrey presided. I. P. Rankin, John H. Dwinelle, Elisha Cook and others addressed the meeting. D. W. Cheeseman, U. S. Sub-Treasurer, endeavored to make himself heard, but was hissed, booed, and barely escaped being mobbed.... George W. Baker, a dishonest book-keeper, in the employment of Lyon & Harrold, proprietors of the Empire Brewery, escaped to Mexico after robbing his employers.