

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS,

From July 1st, 1867, to September 1st, 1868.

JULY 1. A fire broke out on Jackson Street, near Drumm, destroying a number of frame buildings....A building on Post Street, near Stockton, also took fire, but was extinguished with trifling damage.

JULY 3. Generals Halleck and McDowell with their respective staffs visited the British Admiral on board the iron-clad "Zealous"....The Japanese Embassy arrived on the steamer "Sacramento" on their way to Japan....A little girl named Marsh was fatally burned by her clothes taking fire from a lighted match.

JULY 4. The Anniversary of American Independence was celebrated with great enthusiasm throughout the State. In this city it was observed by a grand military and civic parade with literary exercises at the Metropolitan Theatre, and concluding with a magnificent display of fireworks in the evening....The body of a Mulatto boy, named John Brown, was found in the Bay at the foot of Fourth Street....The steamship Continental arrived from Mazatlan, bringing \$230,600 in treasure....Two fires occurred in the evening; the one destroying a frame building at 615 Mission; damage, about \$2,000; the other at 608 Bush, damage about \$1,800....Two soldiers belonging to the Second Regiment of Artillery, were blown to pieces at Fort Point by the discharge of a cannon before which they were standing.

JULY 5. A man was killed by the falling of the chimney of a building near the corner of Hyde and O'Farrell Streets....A man named Harrington was suffocated by impure air in a sewer on Howard Street....A fire broke out on Essex Street; damage, about \$300....The steamers Idaho and Contra Costa collided, damaging the former to the amount of \$1,000.

JULY 6. Extremely hot weather, the mercury standing at 94° in the shade....The British iron-clad Zealous sailed for Vancouver's Island....Daniel Clark, Esq., a well known member of the Bar, died aged 33 years.

JULY 7. A fire broke out at 515 Merchant Street, but was extinguished with but slight damage.

JULY 8. The Captain of the ship Royal Saxon and two passengers were arrested on a charge of smuggling. A large quantity of valuable goods, found in possession of the latter, was seized....Two fires occurred; one at 4 A.M., at 517 Bush Street, estimated loss \$2,500; the other at 1 P.M., on Stewart Street; damage about \$800.

JULY 9. James Spruance, a prominent merchant of San Francisco and a pioneer Californian, died at Warm Springs....News received of the death of Thomas Francis Meagher, Acting Governor of Montana, at Fort Benton....The annual election of the California Pioneer Association was held at Pioneer Hall, resulting in the choice of Wm. R. Wheaton, Esq., as President.

JULY 10. At 3 o'clock, P.M., a fire broke out at No. 8 Commercial Street, doing slight damage....The Pacific Mail Steamship Sacramento sailed for Panama with passengers and treasure amounting to \$1,533,668.55....Pierre Lombat, a patient in the French Hospital, committed suicide by cutting his throat.

JULY 11. A woman known as Selina Bouclet was murdered in her house on the corner of Washington Street and Waverly Place....A fire broke out at 10½ P.M., at 50 Second Street, doing trifling damage.

JULY 12. C. A. Ehrenpfort a native of Hanover, aged 63 years, was crushed to death at the corner of Fremont and Mission Streets.

JULY 13. Two fires broke out during the evening, which were extinguished with but slight damage....The Bay View Water Company filed a certificate of incorporation in the office of the County Clerk....A man named John Sullivan was killed by falling from a wall at Lake Honda.

JULY 14. At 2 A.M., a dwelling house in the rear of 1412 Powell Street took fire and was totally destroyed. A fire also occurred at 5 P.M., near the corner of Folsom and Spear Streets, doing slight damage....Three noted Indian Chiefs from the northern portion of the State visited San Francisco in company with B. C. Whiting, Superintendent of Indian Affairs for California.

JULY 15. A man named Edward C. Phillips was killed by falling under the wheels of a sand car on Market Street....At 12 M., the Merchants' Exchange was thrown open to the public for the first time and formally inaugurated with appropriate ceremonies. A sumptuous collation was served to two hundred and fifty invited guests including the leading merchants of the city.

JULY 16. A man named Samuel Trask died very suddenly at 39 Clay Street from disease of the heart.

JULY 17. At 9 P.M., a fire broke out on Broadway, near Stockton Street; damage, about \$1,000....A man named Christian Graf was drowned in the Bay near Point San José.

JULY 18. Col. James Miller, who served with distinction during the war, was found dead in his bed at the What Cheer House, aged 25 years.

JULY 19. The P. M. Steamship Golden Age sailed for Panama with a number of passengers, and treasure amounting to \$907,824.61....Edward Devlin was run over by a coal cart on Howard Street, and instantly killed.

JULY 20. The boiler of the Capital Mills exploded, destroying the mills and doing much damage to the adjoining buildings.

JULY 21. The City Gardens on Folsom Street were opened to the public for the first time....At 9½ P.M., a fire occurred corner Beale and Howard Streets; damage, about \$1,000.

JULY 22. About 4 A.M., a small building on Filbert Street was destroyed by fire; loss trifling. Fires also occurred at 2 P.M., on Fremont Street, destroying three or four frame buildings, loss about \$10,000; and at 9½ P.M., in a store on Montgomery Street near Sutter, which was extinguished with but little damage....The body of a man named John Byorkman was found in the bay near Washington Street Wharf....The ship David Crockett arrived at New York, after a passage of one hundred and ten days.

JULY 23. At 2 P.M. a fire broke out in the Shamrock Saloon, Market Street, doing considerable damage....The body of an unknown man was found in the bay off pier 24 Stewart Street....Daniel Bryan fell from the yard of the bark Arva into