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**PORTUGUESE BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.**—Organized August 2d, 1868. Meetings held every Friday at 424 Sansom Street. Number of members, three hundred.

The objects of this society are to aid its members in sickness and distress, and to erect a Portuguese Hospital in this city.

*Officers.*—Henry Laidley, President; Joseph B. Freitas, Vice-President; Manuel J. Souza, Recording Secretary; Miguel A. Estilita, Permanent Secretary.

**PORTUGUESE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION.**—Incorporated August 6th, 1868. Meetings held every Thursday, SW corner of California and Davis streets. Objects: To give aid and assistance to its members who are sick or in need of sympathy or advice.

*Officers.*—J. H. Lourenco, President; F. J. N. Braga, Vice-President; J. A. Venancio, Recording Secretary; Charles Fisher, Treasurer.

**SAN FRANCISCO BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.**—Organized 1865. Office 10 Webb Street. The design of the association is to improve the condition of the indigent, and, so far as is compatible, to relieve their necessities. [For a statement of the operations of this benevolent and praiseworthy organization, see Historical Review at the commencement of this work.]

*Officers.*—Robert B. Swain, President; J. W. Stow, Treasurer; I. S. Allen, General Agent and Secretary; R. G. Sneath, J. W. Stow, R. B. Swain, and L. Sachs, Advisory Committee; R. B. Swain, R. G. Sneath, Louis Sachs, Capt. Levi Stevens, W. H. L. Barnes, Albert Dibblee, W. C. Ralston, J. W. Stow, Charles Mayne, and T. P. Bevaus, Trustees.

**SAN FRANCISCO FEMALE HOSPITAL.**—This hospital was opened for the reception of patients on the first day of April, 1868. The objects of the institution are the care of poor sick women. There is no rule as to nativity, religion or social condition. It is a charity in the broadest sense of the term. Any woman who is poor and sick is entitled to share its benefits. It is a general hospital for all diseases, and for lying-in. During the three years it has been open, there have been over 150 births, of the whole number of births over 50 per cent. have been illegitimate, showing conclusively the need of such an institution, as if it were not for this hospital the probabilities are that the greater number would have shared the fate of so many thousands of innocents murdered in their mothers' womb. There have been besides a large number of patients admitted for general disease. During the existence of the hospital there have been but 15 deaths, mostly from that scourge of our race, consumption. There have also been a very large number of outside patients treated, the physician and surgeon being in attendance every morning from ten to eleven o'clock to treat any poor persons who may come. It was supported by voluntary contribution until the last Legislature, when the State appropriated \$5,000 a year for its support. The surgical department is under the care of Dr. C. T. Deane. The hospital is located on the corner of Prospect Place and Clay Street.

*Officers.*—Mrs. M. R. Roberts, President; Mrs. R. H. Elam, Vice-President; Mrs. C. T. Deane, Secretary; Mrs. David Conklin, Treasurer.

**SAN FRANCISCO LYING-IN HOSPITAL AND FOUNDLING ASYLUM.**—Incorporated April, 1868. For the care, protection, and proper treatment of respectable married and unprotected single women, with their offspring, together with all other children that may be left in infancy by outside parties. Said children will be considered foundlings.

The Trustees design to make this institution in the highest degree respectable and efficient, and available to women throughout every County in the State, regardless of religion, sectarianism or nationality, whether in poverty or affluence. Those who have the ability to pay, will be required to do so in proportion to their means, and this sum will be placed in the treasury to aid those less favored by fortune. It is expected that the institution will be supported by receipts from patients, donations and contributions from different sources, appropriations by the City and State governments, and in time, by bequests, legacies, etc., etc. Thus far, only donations and contributions from citizens have been received, except about one-tenth received from patients. Suitable premises were leased on Jessie street, east of Fourth street, and enlarged to furnish twenty-two rooms, and made ready to receive patients, August, 1869. It is a Special Hospital, and for the specialties for which it was organized, affords facilities not to be found elsewhere on this coast. No two patients occupy the same room, at the same time. No cases of disease are admitted for treatment. It is therefore expected that it will be kept free from erysipelas and other contagious diseases that become the bane of lying-in wards connected with general hospitals. It is thoroughly ventilated, and will afford all the comfort that is to be found in the best conducted homes, and free from all intrusion. Competent nurses are in attendance, day and night. The first accouchement took place on the nineteenth of September, and the first infant left by outside parties was on October 19th. At the date of our first annual report, December 31st, 1870, fifty children had been born in the hospital, and seven were brought to the Asylum from outside parentage unknown, so that we had fifty-seven infants to provide for, mostly illegitimate. After several months experience in providing for their wants, it was judged necessary to procure a house with ample grounds to transfer them to when weaned, also to select an assistant board of lady managers to aid in rearing them. Such a board was appointed, embracing the wives of some of our most prominent citizens, to whom these children are intrusted. This branch of the Asylum is located on Point Lobos Road and Twenty-third Avenue. It affords facilities far superior to any that could have been procured in a more densely populated part of the city. The officers are Mrs. Theodore Hittell, President; Mrs. General Colton and Mrs. Frank Spring, Vice-Presidents; Mrs. Geo. Barker, Treasurer; Mrs. Edward Vischer, Secretary.

At the annual meeting, the following officers were elected for 1871: Hon. Samuel Cowles, President; Benjamin F. Hardy, Secretary; Robert B. Swain, Treasurer; Benjamin F. Hardy, M.D., Attending Physician and Surgeon; Thomas Bennett, M.D., R. Beverly Cole, M.D., Henry Gibbons, M.D., Gustave Holland, M.D., Levi C. Lane, M.D., D. J. B. Pigne-Dupnyten, M.D., and H. H. Toland, M.D., Consulting Board of Physicians and Surgeons; H. K. W. Clarke, Legal Adviser.

*Trustees.*—His Excellency H. H. Haight, James Linforth, Samuel Cowles, H. K. W. Clarke, R. B. Swain, J. W. Stow, R. G. Davison, A. B. Forbes, William Sherman, Alex. Weill, Benjamin F. Hardy.

For consultation and to give verbal information, the Attending Physician will be found at the Hospital, 269 Jessie Street, daily, Sundays excepted, from twelve o'clock M. to one o'clock P. M., or at his

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