

when the town was laid out by Capt. Weber—being successful, and was named in honor of Commodore Stockton. The surrounding country is very fertile, and contributory to its interests are large mining districts. The Central Pacific Railroad passes through the town, giving the benefit of railroad connections with all places of importance in the United States. Stockton has had its calamities as most other cities, but it has “weathered the storms” and is now one of the most prosperous of California’s inland cities. The streets are well and regularly laid out, paved and sheltered by awnings. The public buildings, stores and hotels are fine, and some of the most lovely private residences in the State can be found here. An artesian well, 1,002 feet deep, supplies the city with water, although it can be obtained easily nearer the surface, ordinary wells being from ten to twelve feet in depth. The State Insane Asylum is in this city, and the several large buildings add to the appearance, while the business connected therewith benefits the city’s resources. Besides the present railroads others are in contemplation, and stages penetrate the interior in every direction. Several newspapers are here published, viz: The *Independent*, daily and weekly; the *Republican*, daily and weekly; the *Herald*, daily; the *Gazette* weekly, and the *Pacific Observer*, weekly.

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Stokes W. C., saloon, 72 Main, Grass Valley.

Stoll J. T., harness and saddles, 172 K, Sacramento.