

### SNYDER, Jacob Rink

B in Phila. '15 of old Quaker family, boyhood chum of Henry Speel to N Orleans with Alfred Baldwin, George McDougal, Wm. Swasey, Judge Blackburn, Reuben Sawin and Speel. To St. Louis '45 leaving only Sawin behind, and overland intending to go to Ore. I suppose there to have been as many as a score or so of later-day Santa Cruzans who came in this party. At Fort Hall Snyder, Blackburn, Swasey and McDougal were persuaded to change their path to Calif., reaching Zayante in Oct. to cut shingles and engage in surrogate in Oct. to cut shingles and engage in surrogate for Capt. Graham. Here the swash-buckling capt. took them into his confidence regarding the projected 'Bear filibuster,' Snyder accompanying him to LA in an unsuccessful effort to obtain a large land grant for the construction of a fort in the San Joaquin, ostensibly for the purpose of protecting the coast from hostile Indians. Gov. Pio Pico rightly suspected that the true purpose was to create a gathering place from which the govt. could be attacked and refused to listen to the petition. Graham and Snyder were at Sta Maria on their way north when the Bear flaggers made their attack on Sonoma.

Snyder entered the service as quartermaster of Fremont's dragoons, transferred to Fremont's Calif. bat. with the rank of major in the same capacity and from that point became one of the most prominent among his contemporaries, surveyor laying out the town of Sta Cruz '47, indulging in land speculation here for a series of years, helping to lay out SF, partner of Hensley and Reading in a large Sacto mercantile bus. during the gold rush years, memb. consti. conv. '49, in business in SF '50, state senator '52-3, treasurer of the mint at SF '53-60, retired about '62 to a ranch in Sonoma where he died '78, aged 85. Twice married. No child.

### GAMBELL, William

In Sta Cruz '50. Bancroft lists two of the name (perhaps one man): in '41 a young naturalist sent to N Mex from Philadelphia to collect specimen, to Calif. with the Workman party, financially embarrassed and employed by Com. Jones as a clerk on the *Cyano* '42 perhaps visiting Sta Cruz for the first time this year to assist in taking depositions of Graham and others relevant to the arrests of '40. In '44 at Callao. Wm. M. Gambell is ment. as a mid. on the USS *Portsmouth* '45. Back to Calif. '49, perhaps again on a naval mission. Ann Gambell in Sta Cruz married James Nahn Sept. 21 '56.

### BUCKLEY, Thomas

'47, a friend of the Castro and Amesti families, testifying that he came to Calif. '22. Still in the Mont. bay area '51. Perhaps one of the 'Boole' family (q. v.)

### HULL, Elisha

To Calif. by sea from Phil. Pa.; in Sta Cruz '51.

### BROWN, Charles

Went by the name 'Carlos Moreno,' Spanish equivalent of the one with which he was born in NY '14. To Calif. by his account '30, but not until '33, according to Bancroft. He was closely aligned with the native families, being in some respects more of the Mich. they, if such is possible, opposed to the Castorena govt. and refusing to act against Castro or Alvarado '45, taking no part in the Bear maneuvers of the following year. He was owner of a home in Mission Dolores from '44, having been naturalized there three years earlier. Brown spent most of his life as a woodsman in the Sta Cruz mountains, principally in the Woodside region, but for a time farmed the Gonzales rancho, Pescadero. Died in SF '83, survived by several child.

### HOLLENBECK, Thomas

In Sta Cruz '50. Road reviewer '51, owner of land in the bottom in front of the mission and said at one time to have owned most of it. Mrs. Kirby (her diary, *Riptide*, Sept. 29 of '48) says he had a family described by her as "rough," but I have no information concerning him after '51. He was a member this year of the grand jury that indicted Jesse Graham for a year-old murder.

### GLOVER, Asa C.

Employed by Jackson Bennett as millwright in construction of the Bennett sawmill at what is now Ben Lomond '48. Living in Soquel '68, aged 55 years. James Glover purchased land in the vicinity of what is today the high school building '47, sold less than two months later to Alfred Baldwin at which time he may have left the town. Rufus C. Glover is ment. '61. C. V. Anthony (50 years of Methodism) says a family of this name helped establish the M. E. church in SF '48 and Bancroft has a number of this name, all in SF and all Mormons.

### SCHALLENBERGER, Moses

Native of Ohio, overland as a boy with the Stevens party '44, possibly with Zeigler and Gustave Bowman (q. v.), both of whom seem to have come from this state about this time. He passed the winter at Donner lake where his cabin, still standing, afforded some protection to the Breen family two years later. From '46 a trader at Sutter's fort, S Jose, Mont. and Sta Cruz, having an interest of sorts in Stevenson's projected town '49; about this time going to SF and finally settling in S Jose, but retaining property and a frequent visitor here in later years. A daughter, Maggie, was in '85 a school teacher.

### CANNON, Edward C.

In Santa Cruz, 1850; apparently residing in the Pajaro valley three years later. A man of this surname was attached to the Mormon bat., '46, and William Cannon enlisted as a private in Co. K, 5th Calif. Inf., recruited in Sta Cruz '61.

### GHARKY, David

'49, overland with John W. Morgan, Titus Hale and the latter's parents as well as his own family consisting of a wife, Nancy Ann (Morgan), whom he married as the widow Jackson in Mich., a step-daughter, Martha A. V. Jackson, who became the wife of Luke C. Aldrich, and son, David, Jr. He was somewhat eccentric, b in Portsmouth, O., was an excellent penman, linguist and businessman, of keen memory, strong will and remarkable prejudice, being possessed of large amounts of property on the west cliffs and in the potero.

One of the first vintners and brandy manufacturers in the community, not in the least afraid of his own product, but essentially a kind and generous man. His wife had predeceased him when in '69 he made out his will. His son was a sullen youth with an unenviable reputation cut out of the old man's will with \$20. The estate went to two grandsons, orphaned by their father's antics, and a charitable share alike, when the old man died Aug. 16 '77.

### HOLCOMB, Nathaniel

Father of Isaac (?). One of the most prominent men of Soquel in the first decade of statehood; often jp and associate judge of the court of sessions, member of the grand jury that found a true bill against Jess Graham, election officer, member of the Sons of Temperance, road commissioner, assembly candidate. The family home was across the old San Jose road from the Soquel grist mill. I have no record of this man after '60, but I have in the '70s he, or some member of his family, had a stage station where L. C. Caldwell's hostelry stood in earlier times.

### DILEY, J. B.

Also J. D., a man of some affluence from '50. Perhaps Joseph Dinet of '51. No equivalents for either of these names appear in later years.

### HAM, Jonathan Bates

Bro. of Jeremiah, eight years his junior, Watsonville constable for a series of years from '54 and school marshal for at least one term '55. He married Francesca Martinez at Wat. Jan. 17 '57, she a member of the Castro family. There were several child., scattered in later years to all parts of the country. One group of grandsons became somewhat prominent in and out of Watsonville as minstrels. I believe several of his descendants still reside on the old homestead in the San Andreas dist.

### GARVEY, Cornelius Thomas

Spelled var. Gervy, Garvoy, in Soquel '50 and later, out of the county to the mines '52 but back again as memb. of the firm Newton Kitchen & Co., harvesters, '53-4 at Soquel, in the Pajaro valley in later years. B '28. R. Garvey is also ment., possibly a brother.

### GRIGSBY, Sampson F.

Member, but I do not know the exact connection, of the family of John Grigsby, overland from Mo. '45 as the head of a party of immigrants who took an active part in the Bear Flag revolt. John G— was appt. capt. of Co. E, Calif. bat., in command of the Sonoma garrison after the occupation '46 to LA later to participate in the southern campaign. There is little info. on the family. Sampson F. G— was a lumberman for a brief period after organization of the state, builder of the road from the bay to "The redwoods" (Bay street).

### BENNETT, A. B.

To Calif. '46, enlisted in Oct. in Co. F Calif. bat. Residing in the Pajaro valley '56. A daughter became the wife of Ithamer Chape Huntington in the mid-west. This couple, or at least she and a son, Wilbur, reached Calif. '52. Wilbur, aged 29, married Louisa Anthony, only daughter of Elihu, Sept. 8 '67. To this latter union three sons and three daughters were born, two of them still living here.

### SIMMS, Middletown Ward

B in Ky., Mar. 17 '29, overland with a party that reached the mines in Nov. '49, engaged '53 in bus. at Pt. New Year's tho' apparently a res. of Sta Cruz earlier for he was elected constable on the '63 ticket, not serving because of the failure to qualify. He was a gambler at Pescadero '57, supervising the const. of roads between Waddell's bluff and his home town in the years just preceding the civil war, making his living as a dairyman not permitting his natural allegiance for state's rights democracy to put his name in the headlines during the unpleasantness. In Sta Cruz July 30 '69 he married Elizabeth W. Jones of a large Bonny Doon family; living at Davenport from the time the Pescadero region succeeded from Sta Cruz county. He was a pleasant man, remembered as having a neat way of bluffing in a poker game when he came to town. He and Mrs. Simms were the parents of five, all girls and all living somewhere else in later years.

### GORDON, Nicholas

Called also *Gordoni*, a blacksmith at Mont. '45-8 employed by David Jackson and Dennis Bennett as millwright at their holdings '48-51; naturalized '52, an Irishman who had spent most of his life in the US; tax-collector and school super. '53, elected assessor '54, but seems to have removed from the community about this time being replaced March 5 '55 with John F. Pinkham by order of the county bd. of supers. However, he joined the Sta Cruz lodge, Sons of Temperance '58. The Gordon farm lay back of what is today Pogonip polo club.

### HASKELL, John W.

'47, Co. F NY vols.; in the lumber bus. in Zayante, perhaps also at Soquel to '55. Died in Sta Bar. '78.

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