

## **Jewish Merchants and Businesses in Early Aurora, Nevada**

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Similar to the opportunities sought by member of the Jewish communities that formed in California during the Gold Rush years, these merchants and stockbrokers likewise saw business interests were needed in Nevada during the Comstock years and at Aurora which emerged shortly thereafter.

The following men and families have been identified to have been Jewish merchants and businessmen in Aurora's early years.

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Undoubtedly there may be other possible Jewish residents of Aurora, but with nothing more than lists of names from assessment records and brief, infrequent mentions in newspaper items, it would take a more intensive research effort than that which was performed for the purpose of this documentation.

**BERG, E.****In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business: Excelsior Book Store

Location: in store of Caro, Galland & Co, NW corner Pine and Antelope streets

El Dorado County Recorder:

Emanuel Berg executed deed instruments from June 30, 1856 (as Grantee) to October 14, 1858 (as Grantee).

1860 Census, Diamond Springs P.O. and Township, El Dorado County, California:

E. Berg, 33 yrs, Merchant, RE \$1,500 PE \$1,000, b. Bavaria

Elizabeth Berg, 21 yrs, b. Bavaria

Theresia Berg, 3 mos, b. California

G. Kaughfman, 28 yrs, PE \$1,500, b. Bavaria

J. Kalbell?, 30 yrs, tailor, b. Wartenburg (sic)

1867 El Dorado County Great Register of Voters:

Emanuel Berg, 39 yrs, b. Bavaria, Occupation-Merchant, Residence-Diamond Springs

(Note: In El Dorado County, registered voters were left on subsequent registers until removed by the County registrar. This may be an entry from an earlier registration, a copy of which is no longer available. Researcher has microfiche copies of all El Dorado County Great Registers./ss)

1867 Yolo County Great Register of Voters:

Emanuel Berg, 40 yrs, b. Bavaria, Occupation-Merchant, Residence-Woodland, Naturalized-Cert. Sac'to Co., Cal., Dist. Ct., 5/15/1855, S.F. Cal. Co. Ct., Registered-9/2/1867

1870 Census, Woodland P.O., Cache Creek Township, Yolo County, California:

Emanuel Berg, 43 yrs, News Dealer, RE \$1,500, PE \$200, b. Bavaria

Elizabeth Berg, 31 yrs, Keeping House, b. Bavaria

Theresa Berg, 10 yrs, b. California

Joseph H. Berg, 6 yrs, b. California

Jacob Berg, 3 yrs, b. California

Elora Berg, 1 yr, b. California

1880 Census, Woodland, Yolo County, California:

E. Berg, 53 yrs, Widowed, News Dealer, b. Bavaria, Parents both born Bavaria

Teresa Berg, daughter, 20 yrs, Single, Keeping house, b. California, Parents both born Bavaria

Jacob Berg, son, 13 yrs, Single, lives at home, b. California, Parents both born Bavaria

Elora Berg, daughter, 11 yrs, Single, lives at home, b. California, Parents both born Bavaria

Julia Berg, daughter, 8 yrs, Single, lives at home, b. California, Parents both born Bavaria

Albert Berg, son, 4 yrs, Single, lives at home, b. California, Parents both born Bavaria

Florence Berg, daughter, 2 yrs, Single, lives at home, b. California, Parents both born Bavaria

1900 Census, Woodland City, Yolo County, California:

Manuel Berg, b. 2/1827, 73 yrs, widowed, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1849, naturalized, Owns home free of mortgage

Julia Berg, daughter, b. 11/1872, 27 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany, Occupation-School teacher

Florence Berg, daughter, b. 3/1879, 21 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany

San Francisco Call, 8/22/1907:

Died. BERG – In Woodland, Cal., August 21, 1907, Emanuel Berg, beloved father of Mrs. E. G. Isaacs, Mrs. Alfred Blum, and Julia, Florence, Jacob and Albert Berg, a native of Bavaria, Germany, aged 80 years and 6 months.

**BERLINER, A. (Abraham)**

**In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Esmeralda County Tax Roll for 1864.)

Business: Clothing Store

Location: northeast corner of Silver and Pine streets; on lot owned by A.M. Wingate

1868 San Francisco County, California Great Register of Voters:

Abraham Berliner, 50 yrs, b. Russia, Taylor, Residence-406 Jackson, Naturalized-10/15/1864, Hamilton Co., Ohio, Registered-9/22/1868

1870 Census, 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct, 8<sup>th</sup> Ward, San Francisco, California:

Abraham Berliner, 50 yrs, Tailor, b. Russia

Sarah Berliner, 35 yrs, Keeping House, b. Russia

Solomon Berliner, 11 yrs, attending school, b. Russia

Leah Berliner, 10 yrs, attending school, b. England

Hyman Berliner, 7 yrs, attending school, b. Tennessee

Elizabeth Berliner, 4 yrs, b. Tennessee

Jacob Berliner, 1 yr, b. New York

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/2/1874:

Died. San Francisco, May 31 – Abraham Berliner, 55 yrs.



1880 Census, San Francisco, California:

- Sarah Berliner, 40 yrs, widowed, Keeping House, b. Russia/Poland, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Harry Oppenheim, son-in-law, 21 yrs, married during the census year, Barber, b. New York, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Lillie Oppenheim, daughter, 18 yrs, married during the census year, at home, b. England, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Henry Goodman, son, 16 yrs, Single, Clerk in Store, b. England, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Pheobe Goodman, daughter, 14 yrs, Single, Apprentice to Dressmaking, b. Tennessee, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Jacob Berliner, son, 10 yrs, Single, At School, b. New York, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Rachel Berliner, daughter, 8 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Russia/Poland  
Annie Berliner, daughter, 6 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Russia/Poland

**BLOOMINGDALE, H. (Herman)****In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Esmeralda County Tax Roll for 1864.)

Business: Bloomingdale & Co., N. (per Shaw) (H. per IRS Tax Assessment List)

Location: store on first floor of court house

IRS Tax Assessment Lists:

Feb-Dec 1863: Bloomingdale & Co., Aurora, Wholesale and Retail Liquor Dealers

May-June 1864: Bloomingdale & Co., Aurora

May-June 1864: H. Bloomingdale, Aurora, for Income

May-Dec 1864: H. Bloomingdale, Pine St, Aurora, for Income

May-Dec 1864: Bloomingdale & Co., Pine St, Aurora, Wholesale and Retail Liquor Dealers

Oct. 1864: H. Bloomingdale, Aurora, for Income (has notation in left margin – “Oct. 6/66 former (unreadable) residence unknown”

Oct. 1864: Elliott & Co., Aurora, for Income (has notation in left margin – “?same as Bloomingdale & Co.”)

1870 Census, Mountain City, Elko County, Nevada (Household of C. Steffino):

H. Bloomingdale (listed as C. Bloomingdale), 33 yrs, Merchant, PE \$1,500, b. Bavaria

1875 Nevada State Census, Elko County:

H. Bloomingdale, 38 yrs, Merchant, b. Germany, Household of J. Hadley

Seattle Daily Times, 7/28/1900:

Suicide. Victoria, B.C., Saturday, July 28 – Herman Bloomingdale, who for a number of years was cashier of the firm of Simon Leiser & Co., wholesale grocers here, and whose relations are all residents of San Francisco, whence he returned a few weeks ago, committed suicide in a bath room of the Driard Hotel this morning. He had been suffering intense pain from heart trouble for some time and was unfitted for work on that account.

San Francisco Call, 7/29/1900:

Prefers Death to Tortures Due to Neuralgia. Hermann Bloomingdale, formerly of San Francisco, Shoots Himself in a Hotel in Victoria.

Victoria, B.C., July 28 – Hermann Bloomingdale, formerly of San Francisco, where his nieces, Mrs. (G. A.; Hattie) Kline and Freda, Josie and Bertha Bloomingdale, are now residing, and where Mrs. (Fannie) Seelig, another niece, relict of H. D. Seelig, who committed suicide here two months ago, was shortly to have gone, was found dead in one of the bath rooms of the Driard Hotel this morning with a bullet in his brain and a revolver lying at his side.

He had been ailing for some time past and so severe had his malady – neuralgia of the heart – become that his life was one (of) almost constant suffering.

Bloomingdale was at one time a prominent figure in business circles on the Pacific Coast. He was formerly in business with his brother, and afterwards represented Strauss & Co. in London. He was until a short time ago local manager for the last mentioned

firm. A short time ago he returned here from California, the climate here being more suitable for him. He was about 60 years of age and unmarried.

[Note: Bloomingdale's nieces were the daughters of his brother, Emanuel Bloomingdale, who was also in Elko County on the 1870 Census. He was a merchant at Elko. Emanuel and family were enumerated at Yreka, Siskiyou County, CA on the 1860 census, where he was merchant. Emanuel Bloomingdale died in 1894.]

Daily People (New York), 8/5/1900:

Commits Suicide. Herman Bloomingdale Prefers Death to Prolonged Suffering.

Victoria, B.C., Aug. 4 – Herman Bloomingdale, who for fifteen years was cashier for Simon Leiser, and who for the past three months has been suffering intensely from heart troubles, shot and killed himself in a bath at the Driard Hotel last Monday.

He was an uncle of Mrs. H. G. Seelig, whose husband died tragically some time ago. Deceased was 65 years of age, and has been here for many years, long enough to be called an old-timer. He was living at Mrs. Seelig's residence until a few days ago, when she sold out, intending to go to California. He then went to Driard's to live.

[Note: It was reported that H. G. Seelig committed suicide in Victoria, B.C. on May 24, 1900. He was in financial straits and left two letters, one to his wife and the other to a girl in San Francisco. This information was not correct and it was stated the cause of death was unknown. (San Francisco Call, 5/25/1900 and 5/28/1900)]

Washington State Deaths, 1891-1907:

Herman Bloomingdale, (no date of death), Place-Victoria, B.C.

British Columbia, Canada Death Index, 1872-1990:

Herman Bloomingdale, d. 1900 (further information with World Explorer subscription not available to researcher)

Find A Grave, Home of Peace Cemetery and Emanu-El Mausoleum, Colma, California:

Herman Bloomingdale, b. Oct. 1, 1838, d. Jul. 28, 1900, Native of Bavaria



(Photo by Diane Reich, 2/13/2008, Findagrave.com)

**COHN, D. & CO.**

**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business: D. Cohn & Co., cigars, fruit and stationary

Location: in Parker's building on east side of Antelope Street

IRS Tax Assessment List (May-June 1864; May 1866):

D. Cohn & Co., Aurora, Retail dealers

1867 Pacific Coast Directory:

D. Cohn, Aurora, stationary and fancy goods merchant

1870 Census, Independence P.O. and Township No. 2, Inyo County, California:

Isaac Harris, 38 yrs, Dry Goods Merchant Ret(ail), RE \$3,000 PE \$10,000, b. Prussia

Mary Harris, 28 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia

Lilly Harris, 8 yrs, Attending School, b. California

Joseph Harris, 6 yrs, Attending School, b. California

Minna Harris, 2 yrs, b. Nevada

Henry Harris, 1 month, b. California

David Cohn, 34 yrs, Dry Goods Merchant Ret(ail), RE \$2,000 PE \$10,000, b. Prussia

Daily Alta California, 3/31/1871:

Notice. David Cohn having this day disposed of his interest in the firm D. Cohn & Co., of Independence, Inyo County, California, to Nathan Rhine, the co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the said firm name, is hereby dissolved. Parties having any claim against said firm will present the same immediately for settlement. The said business will hereafter be carried on under the style and firm name of Harris & Rhine, in the same place. [signed] Isaac Harris, David Cohn by I. Harris, his Attorney-in-fact. Independence, March 1st, 1871.

Note: Harris and Rhine dissolved their partnership in December of 1886. Rhine continued the business. (Daily Alta California, 12/14/1886) Isaac Harris committed suicide at Santa Cruz, California in May, 1887. (Daily Alta California, 5/22/1887.)

**DREYFUS, Leopold (see also Kaufman)**

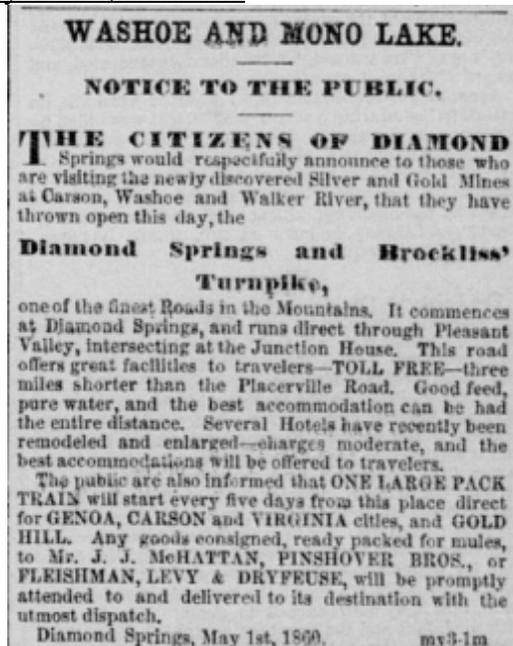
**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006).)

Business: Dreyfus & Lauer

Location: one story brick store with basement

Sacramento Daily Union, 5/8/1860:



El Dorado County Recorder:

B. M. Fleishman to L. Dreyfus, 8/4/1860, Book of Deeds F, p. 76

Leopold Dreyfus to Casper Ehat, 12/12/1863, Book of Deeds I, p. 187 (Note: on p. 186, Ehat received property from Joseph Coblitz (sic) who was associated with Isaac Levy and Dreyfus./ss)

Daily Alta California, 10/4/1863:

Our Letter from Esmeralda. [From an Occasional Correspondent.] Aurora, Esmeralda Co., Sept. 28th, 1863

...Also, Dryfus, Lauer, Wingate Bros. & Neidy have completed a row of brick stores that are an ornament to any town. (letter signed "Observer"/ss)

Minutes of the Esmeralda County (N.T.) Commissioners:

11/18/1863: Sitting as the Board of Equalization, the Commissioners raised the assessed value of merchandise owned by Dreyfus & Lauer from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

11/30/1863: Sitting as the Board of Equalization the Commissioners heard the appeal of "Lauer of the Firm of Dreyfus & Lauer" of the increased assessment fixed by the Board. Lauer refused to be sworn in before presenting his testimony as to the value of the merchandise on hand at the time the assessment had been made. He not taking the oath, the Board affirmed the prior amount that had been fixed.

Jewish Cemetery, Placerville, California – In Supplement to *A Traveler’s Guide to Pioneer Jewish Cemeteries of the California Gold Rush* (Morris, 1996, Commission for the Preservation of Pioneer Jewish Cemeteries and Landmarks of the West); Sue Silver, El Dorado County Pioneer Cemeteries Commission, 2005; unpublished manuscript:

**DREYFUS, Clemence** (September 26, 1862, aged 6 mos 2 days)

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Similar to the dilemma in identifying the family of Ernestine Cahn, we were unable to definitively identify the Dreyfus family associated with young Clemence. In the 1860 census there were two individuals who may have later become the father of Clemence Dreyfus. They were “L. Dryfuse”, a 26 year-old native of France who was enumerated in Diamond Springs Township. A merchant, he was possessed of \$10,000 in personal estate. “A. Drufuss” was a resident in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward in Placerville living in the household of Herman Glouber. Employed as a “packer”, he was a native of France.

“L. Dryfuse” was likely Leopold Dreyfus who was later enumerated in Woodland in Yolo County. A native of France, he was a 26 year-old merchant living at Diamond Springs with a stated personal estate valued at \$10,000. He was living in the household of B. Levy and wife, who were also natives of France. In 1880, an “L. Dryfus”, then 49 years old and a native of Alsace, was a saloon keeper in Woodland. In his household this year were: Mary Dryfus, wife, 47 yrs, born Germany, Rachael Dryfus, daughter, 13 yrs, born California, Julia Dreyfus, daughter, 10 yrs, born California and Rebecca Dryfus, daughter, 8 yrs, born California. Oldest daughter Rachael’s approximate year of birth is 1867, some five years after Clemence Dryfus was born and died.

“Lepole Dreyfus” was again enumerated in Woodland, Yolo County, in 1900. A 69 year-old widow and native of France, he was living in the household of his son-in-law Joseph Lee and daughter Rachel Lee. Daughter Rebecca E. Dreyfus was also living in the household. (Rebecca is later found in 1910 in San Francisco where she was working as a teacher.) While it is difficult to read the 1900 census page, it looks like “Lepole” stated he had come to the United States in 1848 and had lived here for 52 years. Still, it would be difficult to determine if this may be the father of Clemence Dreyfus.

“A. Drufuss” of the 1860 Placerville enumeration may have been “Alex Dreyfus” who was enumerated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward in Sacramento City in 1870. This year he was enumerated with Bertha, a 20 year-old native of Kentucky and Charles, one month old, who was born in California. By 1880 “Alexander Dreyfus” was residing in San Francisco with a substantial family that included wife Bertha and: son Charles (10 yrs, b. CA), daughter Pauline (8 yrs, b. CA), son Edgar (7 yrs, b. CA), daughter Claudia (4 yrs, b. CA) and son Leonard (2 yrs, b. CA). Alexander’s occupation was listed as that of Commercial Merchant. Alexander Dreyfus was again enumerated in San Francisco in 1910. Still a Commercial Merchant, he stated that he had come to the U.S. in 1865 which, if true, eliminates him from being the possible father of Clemence Dreyfus. (p. 11)

**FLEISHMAN, Benjamin M.**

**In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on page 132 showing ad for Fleishman & Kaufman, Aurora. Newspaper dated 9/16/1861.)

Business: Fleishman & Kaufmann, wholesale and retail dealers, groceries, provisions, etc.

Location: store known as the “Pioneer Brick Store”

Mountain Democrat (Placerville), 8/30/1856:

Our neighbor, Diamond Springs, we are pleased to learn, is rapidly recovering from the effects of the late fire. Handsome wooden buildings already occupy the places of many of those that were destroyed, and Mr. Boyle is building a fine fireproof brick, and

Messrs. Morrill, Fleishman and Levy are erecting stone buildings. The stone used by them is taken from a quarry within the town [unreadable], capable of furnishing sufficient material to build up a dozen cities.

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/21/1857:

Married. In San Francisco, Oct. 18 th, by Rev. H. Messinger, in the Broadway Synagogue, B. M. Fleishman, of Diamond Springs, to Jeanette Levy, of San Francisco. Placerville papers please copy.

Sacramento Daily Union, 5/8/1860:

**WASHOE AND MONO LAKE.**

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.**

**THE CITIZENS OF DIAMOND** Springs would respectfully announce to those who are visiting the newly discovered Silver and Gold Mines at Carson, Washoe and Walker River, that they have thrown open this day, the

**Diamond Springs and Brockliss' Turnpike,**

one of the finest Roads in the Mountains. It commences at Diamond Springs, and runs direct through Pleasant Valley, intersecting at the Junction House. This road offers great facilities to travelers—TOLL FREE—three miles shorter than the Placerville Road. Good feed, pure water, and the best accommodation can be had the entire distance. Several Hotels have recently been remodeled and enlarged—charges moderate, and the best accommodations will be offered to travelers.

The public are also informed that ONE LARGE PACK TRAIN will start every five days from this place direct for GENOA, CARSON and VIRGINIA cities, and GOLD HILL. Any goods consigned, ready packed for mules, to Mr. J. J. McHATTAN, PINSHOVER BROS., or FLEISHMAN, LEVY & DRYFEUSE, will be promptly attended to and delivered to its destination with the utmost dispatch.

Diamond Springs, May 1st, 1860. my3-1m

1860 Census, Diamond Springs P.O. and Township, El Dorado County, California:

B. M. Fleishman, 30 yrs, Grocer, RE \$2,000 PE \$5,000, b. Bavaria  
J. Fleishman, femaile, 22 yrs, b. France  
M. Fleishman, male, 1 yr, b. California  
S. Fleishman, female, 6 mos, b. California  
J. Dais, female, 24 yrs, nurse, b. Louisiana  
Stephen, 25 yrs, Packer, b. Mexico  
Simon, 30 yrs, Packer, b. Mexico  
Whoolan, 33 yrs, Packer, b. Mexico  
Joseph, 22 yrs, Packer, Mexico

San Francisco Bulletin, 9/16/1861:

From the Esmeralda Mines. (re: a letter from Aurora dated 9/8/1861 published in the Placerville Democrat) (excerpt) Our town is growing rapidly in improvements of a permanent character...Fleishman & Kaufman, well known to the citizens of Diamond Springs as energetic merchants, are doing a heavy grocery and provision business, which is constantly increasing as their facilities are of a superior character. Their new fire-proof brick building, 80 by 20 feet, will soon be ready for occupation. Haas & Co., of Placerville, are about commencing one of the same dimensions.

1865 San Francisco City Directory:

Benjamin Fleishman, merchant, dwl 318 Sutter

1869 San Francisco County Great Register of Voters:

Benjamin Martin Fleishman, 38 yrs, b. Bavaria, Merchant, Res-627 Green, Naturalized-8/28/1855, El Dorado Co., 11<sup>th</sup> Dist., Registered-9/23/1868

Daily Alta California, 2/15/1870:

Born. In this city, Feb. 11, to the wife of B. M. Fleishman, of a daughter.

1873 San Francisco, California City Directory:

Benjamin M. Fleishman, Merchant, dwl 622 Green

1875 San Francisco County Great Register:

Benj. Martin Fleishman, 38 yrs, b. Bavaria, Occupation-Merchant, Residence-627 Green, Naturalized-El Dorado Co., 11th Dist., 8/28/1855, Registered-9/23/1868.

1880 Census, Grove Street, San Francisco, California:

Benjamin M. Fleishman, 50 yrs, married, Poultry Dealer, b. Bavaria, Parents both born Bavaria

Jeanette Fleishman, wife, 45 yrs, Keeping House, b. France, Parents both born France  
Sarah Fleishman, daughter, 20 yrs, at home, b. California, Father b. Bavaria, Mother b. France

Bertha Fleishman, daughter, 19 yrs, at home, b. California, Father b. Bavaria, Mother b. France

Hattie Fleishman, daughter, 17 yrs, at school, b. California, Father b. Bavaria, Mother b. France

Samuel Fleishman, son, 13 yrs, at school, b. California, Father b. Bavaria, Mother b. France

Fred'k Fleishman, son, 12 yrs, at school, b. California, Father b. Bavaria, Mother b. France

Raphael A. Levy, nephew, 17 yrs, at school, b. California, Father b. France, Mother b. France

Samuel Levy, nephew, 15 yrs, at school, b. California, Father b. France, Mother b. France

Lee Sing, servant, 14 yrs, b. China, Parents both born China

1880 San Francisco County Great Register of Voters:

Benjamin Martin Fleishman, 51 yrs, b. Germany, Occupation-Clerk, Residence-726 Grove, Naturalized-Coloma, Cal., 4th Dist. L.P., Registered-10/4/1880.

San Francisco Call, 6/22/1897:

Died. FLEISHMAN – In Phoenix, Ariz., June 20, 1897, Maurice B., beloved son of Jeanette and the late B. M. Fleishman and brother of Mrs. Charles Goldman, Mrs. Leo Goldman, and S. G., Fred J. and Bertha Fleishman, a native of California, aged 38 years.

1901 San Francisco City Directory:

Mrs. B. M. Fleishman, widow, res. 2107 Pacific ave.

**FRIEDMAN, S.****In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: Fruit and Confectionary store

Location: in Manard's wooden building on Antelope street

1860 Census, Big Oak Flat, Township 4, Tuolumne County, California: POSSIBLE

S. Friedman, 25 yrs, Merchant, PE \$300, b. Prussia

(Note: Living near Albert and Elizabeth Mack who were also at Aurora in the early 1860s./ss)

**GALLICK, J. (Jacob)****In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: Aurora City Store, clothing, groceries and merchandise

Location: 1) west of the Exchange Stables; 2) south side of Pine street

Passenger and Immigration Lists Index, 1500s-1900s:

Jacob Gallick, San Francisco, arrived 1851

Daily Alta California, 3/2/1864:

Durand Mill and Mining Company, Esmeralda. (Notice of sale of delinquent shares of stock) included the name of Jacob Gallick

[Note: J. Gallick was also listed in 1863 as a delinquent shareholder for the Shiller Mining and Milling Company, but no location of the company's works was noted./ss]

U.S. Naturalization Record Indexes, 1791-1992:

San Francisco U.S. District Court – Jacob Gallick, Vol. 6, P-1950, Country of Birth-Prussia, Naturalized-11/5/1864, Witnesses – D. Golinsky and N. Goldner.

1864 IRS Tax Assessment Lists, 1862-1918:

May-Dec 1864 – J. Gallick, Antelope St, Aurora, Retail Dealer and Retail Dealer in Liquors

Daily Alta California, 9/12/1878:

List of Passengers sailing for various ports (ss): Mexican Ports – includes the name of Jacob Gallick

**GOLDMAN, Alexander****In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business: No information located

Location: No information located

U.S. Naturalization Record Indexes (1791-1992), Northern District of California (1852-  
Unk):

Alexander Goldman, Native of Bavaria, Naturalized-10/6/1868, Witnesses-B. W. Fleishman and L. Lindner.

1871 Yolo County, California Great Register of Voters:

Alexander Goldman, 26 yrs, b. Germany, Merchant, Residence-East Grafton, Naturalized-Oct. 1868, Sacramento Co., Cal, 6th Jud Dist, Registered-10/14/1868.

**GOLDNER, N.****In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by list of voters polled at Aurora in August 1861 and the First Directory of Nevada.)

Business: No information located

Location: No information located

San Francisco Ship Passenger Lists, Vol. II (1850-1851):

N. Goldner listed as a passenger on the SS Columbus; arrived San Francisco March 21, 1851 from Panama

Sacramento Daily Union, 8/1/1862:

Notice from Justice Court, No. 1 Township, Mono County, California

**S**TATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN THE JUSTICE'S COURT, NO. 1 TOWNSHIP, in and for the COUNTY of MONO.—The People of the State of California send Greeting to W. B. CAMPBELL: You are hereby summoned to appear before me, at my office, Township No. 1, in the county of Mono, on the 28th day of August, 1862, at 10 o'clock A. M., to answer unto the complaint of P. B. OPPENHEIM, who sues you to recover the sum of \$48 50, due him on a certain promissory note signed by you, and payable to N. GOLDNER & CO., said note being dated Aurora, September 22, 1861, and payable on or before the 1st day of January, 1862, as per note now on file in my office, when judgment will be taken against you for the said amount, together with costs and damages, if you fail to appear and answer.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of said County, Greeting: Make legal service and due return hereof. Given under my hand, this 28th day of July, 1862.

J. W. TYLER,  
Justice of the Peace of said Township.

Attest: A true copy of the original.  
M. CENTER, Constable Township No. 1.

It is hereby ordered that the above Summons be published in the SACRAMENTO DAILY UNION once a week for the space of three weeks from the date thereof.

J. W. TYLER,  
Justice of the Peace of Township No. 1,  
a1-law3wF Mono county.

Daily Alta California, 3/2/1864:

(Abstract) N. Goldner listed as delinquent stockholder in the Durand Mill and Mining Company.

**GOLDSTEIN, S.**

**In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: Cigar stand in Bilinas Store

Location: Northeast corner Pine and Silver streets

Nothing further identified. In the early years of Aurora, there was a Samuel Goldstein and a Simon Goldstein identified in California and Nevada. The former was a merchant at Austin in Lander County. Perhaps the stand in "Bilinas store" was a small franchise operated in the town, while Goldstein officially resided in Austin.

**HAAS, A. (Abraham)**

**In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada. Newspaper dated 9/16/1861.)

Business: Haas & Finlayson, dry goods and clothing store, etc.

Location: in stone building owned by J. Booth on Pine street; also frame house on N side of Pine; Clothing store on SE corner of Pine and Winnemucca.

[Note: In 1866, Haas & Finlayson were assessed by the IRS Tax Assessor at Austin, Lander County, Nevada./ss]

El Dorado County Recorder:

A. and/or Abraham Haas executed deed instruments from 7/10/1852 (as grantee) through 3/23/1869 (as Grantor).

1860 Census, Placerville, Ward 1, El Dorado County, California: POSSIBLE

A. Haas, 31 yrs, Merchant, RE \$5,000 PE \$5,000, b. France

H. Haas (female), 29 yrs, b. France

R. Haas (female), 3 yrs, b. California

J. Haas (female), 2 yrs, b. California

S. Haas (male), 8 mos., b. California.

San Francisco Bulletin, 9/16/1861:

From the Esmeralda Mines. (re: a letter from Aurora dated 9/8/1861 published in the Placerville Democrat) (excerpt) Our town is growing rapidly in improvements of a permanent character...Fleishman & Kaufman, well known to the citizens of Diamond Springs as energetic merchants, are doing a heavy grocery and provision business, which is constantly increasing as their facilities are of a superior character. Their new fire-proof brick building, 80 by 20 feet, will soon be ready for occupation. **Haas & Co.**, of Placerville, are about commencing one of the same dimensions.

1870 Census, City of Hamilton, White Pine County, Nevada: POSSIBLE

Abraham Haas, 41 yrs, Merchant Dry Goods, PE \$35,000, b. France  
Henrietta Haas, 40 yrs, Keeping House, b. France  
Rachel Haas, 14 yrs, at school, b. California  
Juliet Haas, 12 yrs, at school, b. California  
Samuel A. Haas, 10 yrs, at school, b. California  
Eugenie Haas (female), 8 yrs, b. California  
Minnie Haas, 2 yrs, b. California  
Rebecca Wolf, 31 yrs, b. France

[Note: James Finlayson was also in Hamilton in this census year. He was a 32 year old native of Canada and a dry goods merchant by occupation. His personal estate was valued at \$50,000./ss]

Daily Alta California, 8/24/1874:

Died. Sunday afternoon, August 23rd, Minnie Helena, youngest child of Abraham and Henrietta Haas, aged 5 years, 7 months and 17 days. Notice of funeral tomorrow.

1880 Census, San Francisco, California:

Abraham Haas, 51 yrs, married, Merchant, b. France, Parents both born France  
Henrietta Haas, wife, 50 yrs, Keeping House, b. France, Parents both born France  
Rachel Haas, daughter, 23 yrs, Single, at home, b. California, Parents both born France  
Juliette Haas, daughter, 22 yrs, Single, at home, b. California, Parents both born France  
Samuel Haas, son, 20 yrs, Single, Clerk, b. California, Parents both born France  
Eugenie Haas, daughter, 18 yrs, Single, at home, b. California, Parents both born France  
Kate Winn, servant, 29 yrs, Single, Servant, b. Ireland, Parents both born Ireland

San Francisco Call Index (Jim Faulkinberry):

Henrietta Haas, died 1882, aged 53 yrs

Daily Alta California, 4/29/1884:

Married. HADS (sic)-PEISER – In Oakland, April 27, Abraham Haas to Ellen Peiser.

Daily Alta California, 5/22/1889:

Married. BLOCK-HAAS – In this city, May 19, Joseph Block and Juliet Haas

1900 Census, Haight St, San Francisco, California:

Abraham Haas, b. 7/1828, 71 yrs, married 29 yrs, b. France, Parents both born France, to US 1850, Naturalized, Mfr. Bone work, Owns home free of mortgage  
Ellen Haas, wife, b. 10/1851, 7 children born/7 children then living, b. England, Father b. Poland (Russ), Mother b. Germany, to US 1862  
Morris Peiser, son (of Ellen), b. 12/1873, 26 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Germany, Mother b. England, Carpet layer  
Israel Peiser, son (of Ellen), b. 3/1876, 24 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Germany, Mother b. England, Bookkeeper (Bone works)  
Amelia Peiser, daughter (of Ellen), b. 6/1878, 21 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Germany, Mother b. England

Albert Haas, son, b. 6/1885, 14 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. France, Mother b. England, at school  
Milton Haas, son, b. 3/1888, 12 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. France, Mother b. England, at school  
Hortense Haas, daughter, b. 10/1893, 6 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. France, Mother b. England  
(also one boarder and one servant)

San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1895-1985:

N. Gray & Company funeral record for Hortense Haas Pracht (d. 6/18/1970) states that her mother's maiden name was Ellen Muraski. Hortense was survived by her brother Milton Haas.

San Francisco Call, 9/21/1908:

Died. HAAS – In this city, September 18, 1908, beloved wife of Abraham Haas, and mother of Albert, Milton and Hortense Haas, Sol, Morris and Israel Peiser and Mrs. Julius Meyerstein, a native of London, Eng., aged 56 years, 11 months and 17 days. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services today (Monday), September 21, 1908, at 10 o'clock a.m., at her late residence, 1043 Haight street. Interment Home of Peace cemetery, by 11:30 train from Third and Townsend streets.

San Francisco Call, 7/25/1909:

Children of Haas Make Accusations. (See pages 41 and 42 for full article.)

1910 Census, Haight St, San Francisco, California:

Albert Haas, 24 yrs, married once 3 yrs, b. California, Father b. France, Mother b. England, Manufacturer/Soap  
Sarah Haas, wife, 24 yrs, no children, b. Africa (Egypt crossed out; speaks Yiddish), Father b. Africa (Egypt crossed out; speaks Yiddish), Mother b. Africa (Egypt crossed out; speaks Yiddish), to US 1901  
Abraham Haas, father, 82 yrs, widowed, b. France, Parents both born France, to US 1845, Naturalized, no occupation

1910 Census, San Francisco, California:

Joseph Block, 50 yrs, married once 21 yrs, b. France, Parents both born France, to US 1875, Naturalized, Merchant  
Juliette Block, wife, 48 yrs, 1 child born/1 child living, b. California, Parents both born France  
Eugene Block, son, 19 yrs, Single, b. California, Father born France, Mother born California, Reporter  
Samuel A. Haas, roomer, 45 yrs, Single, b. California, Father born France, Mother born France, Merchant  
Eugenie Haas, roomer, 40 yrs, Single, b. California, Father born France, Mother born France

Hills of Eternity Memorial Park, Colma, California (Courtesy Find A Grave contributor Lester Letson):



Joseph Block (d. 1916) and Juliette Haas Block (d. 1943)

California Death Index:

Juliette Block, b. 11/14/1857-California, d. 5/5/1943-San Francisco, Mother-Godchaux, Father-Haas

San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1895-1985; Halsted & Co.:

Juliette Block, d. 5/5/1943; San Francisco Chronicle Obituary, nd.

**BLOCK**—In this city, May 5, 1943, Juliette Block, beloved wife of the late Joseph Block, loving mother of Eugene B. Block, devoted sister of Eugenie Haas, grandmother of George S., Edwin J., and Charles W. Block; a native of Placerville, Cal.  
Funeral services will be held Friday-morning at 11 o'clock from the mortuary of Halsted & Co., 1123 Sutter st., near Polk. Interment, strictly private.

Jewish Cemetery, Placerville, California – In Supplement to *A Traveler's Guide to Pioneer Jewish Cemeteries of the California Gold Rush* (Morris, 1996, Commission for the Preservation of Pioneer Jewish Cemeteries and Landmarks of the West), Sue Silver, El Dorado County Pioneer Cemeteries Commission, 2005; unpublished:

“In September of 1858 the Mountain Democrat published the announcement of the organization of a Hebrew Congregation, naming those who would serve as trustees. (*Mountain Democrat*, 9/25/1858, 3-1, “Organization of a Hebrew Congregation.”) Among the trustees named in the article was Abraham Haas, whose only son, five year-old Nelson Haas, had died less than two weeks previous to the Congregation’s formation. It is unclear if the two events were truly related, but it is certainly conceivable that Mr. Haas and his wife were terribly bereaved by the loss of their son that they sought spiritual comfort through the founding of the congregation.” (p. 2)

“In 1861, the trustees of Hebrew Benevolent Society in Placerville were A. Haas, H. Glouber and John A. Moch, when the society acquired a small property on Cottage Street from Charles J. and Roxanna A. Arvidson. (Deed Book F at p. 33.) When the Society received the property for the

second synagogue from Henry and Pauline Louis, the trustees named were M. Simon, E. Cohn, and S.S. Snow.” (p. 3)

## HAAS

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**Nelson** (May 16, 1853–September 14, 1858)

**Lucien Jacob** (July 9, 1863–December 12, 1863)

**Edmond** (September 24, 1864–November 20, 1864)

These are the sons of Abraham and Henrietta (nee Godchaux) Haas. The first recorded deed for “A. Haas” occurred in July of 1852. In 1853, Abraham Haas purchased property from Lazarus Godchaux, who was undoubtedly related to Abraham’s wife Henrietta in some way.

The family was first enumerated in 1860 when residing in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward in Placerville. A native of France, Abraham was recorded as “A. Haas”, a 31 year-old Merchant with real and personal property valued at \$10,000. The household included “H. Haas” (female, 29 yrs, b. France), “R. Haas” (female, 3 yrs, b. CA), “J. Haas” (female, 2 yrs, b. CA) and “S. Haas” (male, 8 mos, b. CA). The 1862 Placerville Directory lists “A. Haas, dry goods, north side Main street, near the Plaza; house, west side Coloma street.

By 1870, the family had joined the booming mining rush to Nevada and they were enumerated at Hamilton City in White Pine County. Abraham Haas was then 41 years old and occupied as a dry goods merchant. While he had no real property to declare, Abraham’s stated personal worth was \$135,000. With him in the household were: Henrietta (40 yrs, b. France), Rachel (14 yrs, b. CA), Juliet (12 yrs, b. CA), Samuel ?C.? (10 yrs, b. CA), Eugenie (female, 8 yrs, b. CA) and Minnie (2 yrs, b. CA).

In 1880, the family was living in San Francisco, minus little Minnie Haas who would have been 12 years old in that year. Still a merchant by trade, Abraham’s age was listed as 57 years old. Oldest daughter Rachel died that year in San Francisco at the age of 24. Abraham’s wife, Henrietta Godchaux Haas, died two years later in 1882 at the age of 53 years. In 1889, second daughter Juliette Haas was married to Joseph Block. [SF Genealogy, SF Call Index.]

At 71 years old, Abraham was enumerated on Haight Street in San Francisco on the 1900 census. He had remarried to Mrs. Ellen Peiser, who brought to the marriage three children (Morris, Israel and Amelia). The couple also became the parents of Albert (b. 1885), Milton (b. 1888) and Hortense (b. 1893). In 1910, Abraham was living with son Albert Haas and his wife Sarah. Abraham Haas, one of the earliest documented Jewish residents and merchants of Placerville, died in San Francisco on February 17, 1913 at the age of 85 years.

The surviving Haas children from Abraham’s first marriage were found in 1900 all living together in the household of “Joe Block” in the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward of Oakland in Alameda County. A native of France, Mr. Block was a 40 year-old cigar dealer who had come to the U.S. in 1880. With him were his wife, “Julia” (30 yrs, b. CA, parents b. France) and son Eugene (10 years, b. CA). Next door to the Block family were “Sam A. Haas” (32 yrs, b. CA), a bookkeeper by trade, and his sister “Eugenia” (30 yrs, b. CA). Ten years later the Block-Haas family members were enumerated together again on the 1910 census living in San Francisco. In this year both Joseph Block and Samuel Haas were merchants and Eugene Block was a newspaper reporter. Samuel Haas died March 24, 1914 in San Francisco at the age of 51. Joseph Block, 56 years old, died July 30, 1916, also in San Francisco. [California Death Index.]

In 1920, the widowed Juliette Block and her sister Eugenie Haas were enumerated living together in San Francisco. Living next door to the two sisters was Eugene Block, Juliette’s only child, who was then employed as a journalist for a newspaper. Juliette Block died in San Francisco on May 5, 1943 at the age of 85 years. Her sister, Eugenie Haas, also died in San Francisco on January 28, 1954 at the age of 87 years.

Joseph and Juliette (Haas) Block’s son was veteran San Francisco *Call-Bulletin* reporter and author of numerous books, Eugene B. Block. After retiring from the newspaper in 1939, Mr. Block later became the editor of the *Jewish Community Bulletin* newspaper in 1945, where his son Charles W. Block also worked as the advertising manager.

The Eugene Block Award for Human Rights in Journalism is named for Abraham and Henrietta Haas' grandson. Eugene Block would have been the nephew of Nelson, Edmond and Lucien Jacob Haas had they lived. (p. 12)

**HEILBRON, F. (Frederick)**

**In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: Butcher

Location: shop under Merchant Exchange Bldg.

New Orleans, Passenger Lists, 1820-1945:

Clamor F. Heilborn, 23 yrs, male, Occupation-Butcher, Country to which they belong-Boheme, Destination-New Orleans

Sacramento Daily Union, 9/2/1857:

Naturalization. The following were naturalized yesterday in District Court, before Judge Barber, on the testimony of witnesses whose names are annexed: ...Adolph Heilbron, a native of Hanover, Augustus Heilbron and Fred. Heilbron...

1860 Census, Forest Hill P.O. & Township 3, Placer County, California:

Fred Heilbron, 41 yrs, Saloon Keeper, b. Hanover  
Elizabeth Heilbron, 25 yrs, b. New York  
Emma Heilbron, 17 yrs, b. Missouri  
Charlotte Heilbron, 15 yrs, b. Missouri  
Laura Heilbron, 6 yrs, b. California  
Louis Heilbron, 4 yrs, b. California  
William Heilbron, 1 yr, b. California

IRS Tax Assessment Lists:

Jul-Dec 1864: F. Heilbron, Aurora, Butcher  
May 1865: F. Heilbron, Aurora, Butcher  
Jan-Dec 1865: F. Heilbron, 152 S F St., Dayton?

1868 Santa Cruz County, California Great Register of Voters:

Frederick Heilbron, 49 yrs, b. Hanover, Occupation-Butcher, Residence-Santa Cruz

1870 Census, Nebraska House, Watsonville, Santa Cruz County, California:

Frederick Heilbron, 51 yrs, Hotel Keeper, RE \$6,000 PE \$1,650, b. Hanover  
Mary Heilbron, 32 yrs, Keeping House, b. California  
Laura Heilbron, 15 yrs, at home, b. California  
Louis Heilbron, 13 yrs, at home, b. California  
William Heilbron, 11 yrs, at home, b. California  
Charles Heilbron, 10 mos, at home, b. California, b. Aug. 1869  
Julia Lyons, 9 yrs, at home, b. California

1880 Mono County Great Register of Voters:

Frederick Heilbron, 62 yrs, b. Germany, Occupation-Butcher, Residence-Bodie, Naturalized-8/1/1853, St. Louis, Mo., Crim. Ct., Registered-9/21/1880

William Heilbron, 22 yrs, b. California, Occupation-Butcher, Residence-Bodie, Registered-9/21/1880.

1882 Sacramento County Great Register of Voters:

“C.” Frederick Heilbron, 63 yrs, b. Germany, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pct, Naturalized-8/1/1853, Mono County, Registered 8/3/1882

William Fred Heilbron, 23 yrs, b. California, 4 ½ Pct, Registered-Jan [unreadable]

1888 Sacramento County Great Register of Voters:

Clamor Frederick Heilbron, 69 yrs, b. Germany, Residence-410 Q St, Naturalized-8/1/1853, St. Louis, Mo. Registered-6/29/188?

William Fred Heilbron, 29 yrs., b. California, Residence-410 Q St., Registered-3/10/188?

1888 San Diego County Great Register of Voters:

Frederick Heilbron, 69 yrs, b. Hanover, Butcher, Residence-5th Ward San Diego City, Naturalized-8/1/1853, St. Louis, Mo. Criminal, Registered-11/3/1888.

1892 Los Angeles County Great Register of Voters:

Frederick Heilbron, 74 yrs, 5' 8", Fair Complexion, Hazel Eyes, White Hair, Scar on left hand, near thumb and one on forehead over right eye, Occupation-Butcher, b. Germany, Residence-National, Post Office-Soldiers' Home, Naturalized-8/1/1853, St. Louis, Mo., Crim., Registered 8/13/1892.

U.S. National Homes for Disabled Soldiers, 1866-1938, Sawtelle, Los Angeles County, California – Register H:

Frederick Heilborn, Co. K., Illinois Infantry, Mexican War, Rank-Sergeant, Enlisted-6/18/1846, Chicago, Illinois, Discharged-6/18/1847, ?Cassarg?, Mexico, Expiration of Service, Born-Germany, Age-71 yrs, Height-5' 8", Ruddy complexion,

Occupation-Butcher, Residence subsequent to Discharge-Sacramento, Cal., Married, Nearest Relative-August Heilbron, Sacramento, Cal.

Date of Admission-7/18/1890, Date of Discharge-1/30/1895, Own Request

Date of Re-Admission-3/30/1896

Date of Death-1/19/1897

Location of Grave: Section 3, Row B, No. 1 (Los Angeles National Cemetery)

1896 Los Angeles County Great Register of Voters, Soldiers' Home:

Frederick Heilbron, Occupation-Butcher, 77 yrs, 5' 8", Fair Complexion, Hazel Eyes, White Hair, b. Germany, Residence-Soldiers' Home

Note: It isn't certain that Clamor Frederick Heilbron was Jewish. However, Dr. Robert E. Levinson in *The Jews in the California Gold Rush* (1978, 1968, 1994) identified Leopold Heilbron, of Coloma, El Dorado County, as being of the Jewish faith, so Frederick Heilbron, once of Aurora, is included in this identification listing.

**KAUFMAN, Gabriel****In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Mono County voter's lists for 1861 and 1863.)

Business: Fleishman & Kaufmann, wholesale and retail dealers, groceries, provisions, etc.

Location: store known as the "Pioneer Brick Store"

Sacramento Daily Union, 9/5/1859 (Monday):

Naturalized. (admitted to citizenship in the District Court on Saturday 9/3/1859) ...Gabriel Kaufman, native of Bavaria; witnesses L. Korn, L. Lewis, and A. D. Park. (also naturalized on same date: Leopold Dreyfois, native of France; witnesses L. Korn, T. H. Cunningham and A. D. Park; and also: Nathan Levy, native of France; witnesses L. Korn, T. H. Cunningham and A. D. Park.

Mountain Democrat (Placerville), 6/4/1859:

Court House Saloon. (ad) Next door to the Court House. G. Kaufman, formerly of Diamond Springs, respectfully announces to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above popular Saloon, and will continue to keep it supplied with the BEST wines, Liquors and Segars to be had in the State.

1860 Census, Diamond Springs P.O. and Township, El Dorado County, California:

E. Berg, 33 yrs, Merchant, RE \$1,500 PE \$1,000, b. Bavaria

Elizabeth Berg, 21 yrs, b. Bavaria

Theresia Berg, 3 mos, b. California

**G. Kaughfman**, 28 yrs, PE \$1,500, b. Bavaria

J. Kalbell?, 30 yrs, tailor, b. Wartenburg (sic)

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/30/1862:

Married. At Diamond Springs, July 29th, by Rev. Z. Newstadt of Sacramento, Gabriel Kaufman of Aurora and Jetta Fleishman of Diamond Springs.

Minutes of the Esmeralda County (N.T.) Commissioners:

10/27/1863: Among the list of bills audited by the Commissioners was a bill received from "Fleishman & Kaufman for "20 yds of carpet." This presumably may have been for the Court House recently rented by the Board at Pine and Silver Streets.

11/18/1863: Sitting as the Board of Equalization, the Commissioners raised the assessed value on merchandise owned by Fleishman & Kaufman from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

11/30/1863: "G. Kaufman a member of the Firm of Fleishman and Kaufman" appeared before the Board of Equalization and swore to the Board that the merchandise on hand at the time of the assessment was made was \$15,000 and no more and "that the cash value of their lot Situated on the South Side of Pine St is \$1,000..." The Board laid the matter over until the next day. The minutes of the following day appear to have fixed the valuation at \$20,000, despite the appeal.

Sacramento Daily Union, 11/27/1865:

Fire at Aurora. (dispatch dated Aurora, 11/26 says) About daylight this morning a fire was discovered in the fireproof store of Fleishman, Kaufman & Co., and before the

flames could be subdued almost everything in the store was consumed. (loss about \$40,000; insured for about half of that)

1865 IRS Tax Assessment Roll, Aurora, Nevada:

Fleishman, Kaufman & Co.; Retail Dealers

Sacramento Daily Union, 2/23/1866:

Born. In Aurora (Nev.), the wife of G. Kaufman, of a son. (\*\*added 6/5/2012)

1867 Yolo County Great Register of Voters: (also 1871 Great Register)

Gabriel Kaufman, 37 yrs, b. Bavaria, Occupation-Merchant, Residence-Woodland, Naturalized-9/3/1859, Sacramento Co., Cal, District Court, Registered-5/26/1867.

1868 San Francisco, California City Directory: (also 1871 directory)

Kaufman, Gabriel (Fleishman & K.) res Woodland

1870 Census, Woodland, Cache Creek Township, Yolo County, California:

Gabriel Kaufman, 40 yrs, Dry Goods Merchant, RE \$8,000 PE \$12,000, b. Bavaria

Jetta Kaufman, 28 yrs, Keeping House, b. Bavaria

Sophia Kaufman, 7 yrs, b. Nevada

Bettie Kaufman, 6 yrs, b. Nevada

Solomon Kaufman, 4 yrs, b. Nevada

Moses Kaufman, 2 yrs, b. California

Fanny Kaufman, 1 mos, b. California

Adel Sherp, 20 yrs, b. France

Daily Alta California, 11/5/1872:

Notice to creditors of Fleishman & Kaufman, of San Francisco and Woodland...(file claims by the 15th of November to M. H. Myers, Secretary of San Francisco Commerical Association)

1900 Census, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave N, Fargo Ward 5, Cass County, North Dakota:

G. Kauffman, b. 5/1830, 70 yrs, married 39 yrs, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1850, Retired, Owns home

Yetta Kauffman, wife, b. 1/1838, 62 yrs, 8 children born/8 children living, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, in U.S. 39 yrs

Mary McLaughlin, servant, b. 2/1868, 32 yrs, Single, b. Canada, Parents both born Canada, Servant

1900 Census, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave N, Fargo Ward 5, Cass County, North Dakota:

M. (Moses) Kauffman, b. 3/1868, 32 yrs, married 5 yrs, b. California, Parents both born Germany, Merchant, Owns home

Sarah Kauffman, b. 11/1872, 27 yrs, no children, b. Illinois, Parents both born Germany

Ellen Johnson, servant, b. 12/1865, 35 yrs, Single, b. Norway, Parents both born Norway, Servant

U.S. Passport Application of Bertha A. Stern, 2/26/1923:

Application of Bertha A. Stern, Cass County, North Dakota:

*"I, Bertha A. Stern, a native and loyal citizen of the United States, hereby apply to the Department of State, at Washington, for a passport. That I was married to Alexander Stern July 5th, 1885. I solemnly swear that I was born at Aurora, in the State of Nevada, on or about the 26th day of August, 1864, that my husband Alexander Stern, was born in Geissen, Germany and is now residing at Fargo, North Dakota, that he emigrated to the United States from the port of Hamburg, Germany on or about August 5th, 1871; that he resided 42 years, uninterruptedly, in the United States from 1871 to 1923, in Fargo, North Dakota...."*



**Bertha Kaufman Stern**

A statement by Sam Stern was included with this application/ss:

*"I, Sam Stern, being first duly sworn, depose and say: That Bertha Stern is my mother; that I have heard my grandfather, Gabriel Kaufman (my mother's father), repeatedly state that my mother, Bertha Stern, was born at Aurora, in the State of Nevada, on the 26th day of August, 1864 (sic)..."*

**KAUFMAN, Jonas**

**In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business: Fleishman & Kaufman, wholesale and retail dealers, groceries, provisions, etc.

Location: store known as the "Pioneer Brick Store"

JewishGen Online Jewish Burial Registry:

Jonas Kaufman, b. about 1837, Germany

Died July 10, 1901, San Francisco, California

Aged 64 years

Buried July 11, 1901, Plot O, Sec. 1, Lot 8, Row 3

Hills of Eternity Memorial Park Congregation Sherith Israel

1301 El Camino Real, Colma, California

**LEVISON, Jacob****In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business: J. Levison & Co., Bee Hive Saloon

Location: in Bechtel's building north side of Pine Street

El Dorado County Recorder:

Marks Davidson, **Jacob Levison** and Wm. Price to Isaac Levy, 3/10/1855, Book of Deeds C, p. 16.

Sacramento Daily Union, 5/26/1864:

Born. In Aurora, N.T., May 8th, to the wife of Jacob Levison, a son.

1867 Yolo County, California Great Register of Voters:

Jacob Levison, 36 yrs, b. Prussia, Salesman, Residence-Woodland, Naturalized-5/22/1855, El Dorado Co., Cal., 11th Dist Ct, Registered-6/19/1867

1868 Sacramento County, California Great Register of Voters:

Jacob Levison, 38 yrs, b. Germany, Merchant, Residence-Sacramento, Naturalized-5/22/1855, El Dorado Co., Cal., 11 th Dist., Registered-9/14/1868.

1870 Census, Sacramento Ward 3, Sacramento County, California:

Jacob Levison, 34 yrs, Wines & Liquors, b. Prussia

Joanna Levison, 32 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia

Henry Levison, 7 yrs, at school, b. California

Willie Levison, 6 yrs, at school, b. California (at 6 yrs, Willie was born 1864)

Emanuel Levison, 2 yrs, b. California

Henrietta Levison, 5 mos, b. California, b. in Feb. 1870

1880 Census, Octavia St., San Francisco, California:

Jacob Levison, 49 yrs, married, Broker, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia

Johanna Levison, wife, 42 yrs, Keeps House, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia

Henry Levison, son, 17 yrs, Single, Bookkeeper, b. California, Parents both born Prussia

William Levison, son, 16 yrs, Single, Clerk in Store, b. California, Parents both born Prussia

Emanuel Levison, son, 12 yrs, Single, at school, b. California, Parents both born Prussia

Hattie Levison, daughter, 10 yrs, Single, at school, b. California, Parents both born Prussia

Evelyn Levison, daughter, 8 yrs, Single, at school, b. California, Parents both born Prussia

Rebecca Levison, daughter, 6 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia

Elesar Colby, female, servant, 22 yrs, Servant, b. Hanover, Parents both born Hanover

San Francisco Call, 10/14/1895: WEEKLY FRATERNAL INDEX.

The Anniversary of the Organization of B'Nai B'rith. Carnival for a Charity Fund. Grand Encampment at Stockton, Activity in the Improved Order of Red Men.

## I. O. B. B.

To-morrow night there will be a celebration in Oakland in honor of the anniversary of the founding of the order....



One of the most indefatigable workers in the order at this time is Jacob Levison, the grand secretary, who has held the office since last January. During the time that he has been in office he has done much to advance its interest, and has produced results that have agreeably astonished the members of the order. Mr. Levison came to California from Savannah, Ga., in 1853, and since then, with one exception, when he went East for a few months, he has been a resident of this coast. Shortly after his arrival in this City he went to Auburn, Placer County, where he engaged in mercantile business and then went to El Dorado, then to Nevada City. He was also in Woodland, Yolo County, and was christened "the father of Woodland," being the prime mover, in the long ago, in organizing the town.

During the time William Raabe was United States Marshal for California, Mr. Levison, without any solicitation on his part, was appointed a deputy marshal. When the discoveries on the Comstock became widely known, Mr. Levison started for the State of Nevada and located in Aurora, Esmeralda County, where he became very popular by reason of his courteous dealings with everyone. In that county he was Under Sheriff during the incumbency of D. B. Francis, Sheriff. At other time he was Tax Collector and Treasurer, which positions he filled to the satisfaction of all. He was a member of the first State Legislature. Upon his return from Nevada he located in Grass Valley and afterward came to this City. The grand secretary, who is a member of the Masonic fraternity, of the Odd Fellows, the American Legion of Honor and the Chosen Friends, has been a member of the I.O.B.B. since 1861, when he became the organizer of the Garizim Lodge No. 43, which was instituted October 6, 1861. He was its first president and was one of the first to petition for a grand lodge for this jurisdiction. Mr. Levison is affable, obliging and always ready to give attention to all who have a call upon his time. He is also a methodical and good executive officer.

1900 Census, Post St., San Francisco, California:

Jacob Levison, b. 5/1831, 69 yrs, married 38 yrs, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1853, Naturalized, Insurance Broker, Rents House  
Johanna Levison, wife, b. 2/1837, 63 yrs, 7 children born/6 children then living, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1860  
Hattie Levison, daughter, b. 2/1870, 30 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany  
Evelyn Levison, daughter, b. 11/1871, 28 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany, School teacher  
Rebe Levison, daughter, b. 7/1873, 26 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany, Stenographer

San Francisco Call, 5/11/1913:

Died. LEVISON – In this city, May 9, 1913, Johanna Levison, wife of the late Jacob Levison, mother of Henry M. F. (Henry Marquis Fischel Levison/ss), William G., Horatio (Emanuel Horatio Seymour Levison/ss), Hattie and Evelyn Levison, grandmother of Rebe L. Britton (daughter of Rebecca Levison and unknown Britton/ss), and sister of William and Ben Wilson, of San Francisco, Gabriel Wilson, of Posen, Germany and Mrs. Henrietta Euphrat, a native of Strasberg, Germany, aged 76 years, 2 months and 17 days. (Note: funeral held by Gray's Chapel, S.F.; interment was private./ss)

Note: Find A Grave identifies several of the Levison family members as buried at Cypress Lawn Memorial Park in Colma, California, but does not give dates of death. The list does not include Johanna Levison's name. Names included are: Jacob Levison, Hattie Levison and Evelyn Levison (d. 5/12/1960). No other Levison family members are listed on Find A Grave but might be found through other sources.

**LEVY, Davis S.**

**In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by list of voters polled at Aurora, Mono County in June 1, 1861 and roster of the Esmeralda Rifles as of May 1862 as compiled by Robert E. Stewart.)

San Francisco Bulletin, 5/15/1861:

Letter from Esmeralda. Aurora, Esmeralda District, May 11, 1861. Editor Bulletin: Knowing your Union-loving sentiments, I cannot help keeping you posted on any demonstrations of loyalty to our glorious Confederacy. Last Thursday will not be forgotten by the citizens of this little burgh. On that day, under the immediate auspices of Capt. George R. Barclay, the stars and stripes were unfurled from a fine pole erected at the corner of the Recorder's office. Every preparation had been made for a large meeting, and before 6 o'clock in the evening, amid the boom of cannon and the enthusiastic cheers of the assembled multitude, the glorious banner of liberty and right was thrown to the winds of heaven. In the evening the only topic was the flag. Woe be the man who should lay a desecrating hand upon it!

Next to the state of the Union, the leading topic is the coming county election. Candidates are legion – all being anxious to serve their country, and themselves. The Union test is insisted upon, and Sessionists, or in honest words, rebels, would have but a poor show in this district.

Mining work is steadily progressing. The Esmeralda tunnel is nearly in, and the First North and South extensions are being pushed ahead day and night. Fine ore is being

taken out by the Antelope, St. Louis and other companies, and all are waiting chances for shipment. Notwithstanding Carson and Virginia accounts, we will yet prove ours to be the richest mineral district east of the Sierra Nevada.

We are making strong efforts to have a mail route established here. D. S. L.

See also, San Francisco Bulletin, 6/1/1861 with letter dated May 23, 1861 from D. S. L. and another in the Bulletin dated 6/8/1861 dated June 4, 1861 also from D. S. L.

**LEVY, Isaac and Nathan**

**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by newspaper and Mono County 1863 Tax Roll.)

Business: Levy & Co's. "Aurora Emporium", dry goods, clothing, groceries, etc.

Location: one story brick building with basement

J. LEVY, San Francisco, NATHAN LEVY, } Aurora.  
E. LEVY, Diamond Springs, IRE LEVY, }

**LEVY & CO.,**  
**AURORA EMPORIUM.**

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**YOUR ATTENTION** is respectfully called to the following facts: We have opened a warehouse in this place, and are prepared to sell at

**Wholesale and Retail,**

From our large and recently increased Stock, any article at a price as cheap as any other Establishment this side of the Pacific. Our assortment of,

**DRY GOODS,**  
**Clothing, Boots and Shoes,**  
**FURNISHING GOODS, HATS AND CAPS,**  
**CARPETS,**  
**OIL CLOTHS, GROCERIES, LIQUORS,**  
**SEGARS, TOBACCO, WOODEN WARE, &c.,**

Have been nearly all bought for Cash. One of the firm whose residence and experience for the past fourteen years in the great Metropolis of the Pacific, and having connected himself with us in business, enables us to regularly receive new and fresh assortments of all kinds of merchandize, and which we guarantee to be what we represent.

We solicit your examination of our Stock as to assortment, Quality, and PRICE.

Respectfully, yours,  
april **LEVY & CO.**

El Dorado County Recorder:

Marks Davidson, Jacob Levison and Wm. Price to **Isaac Levy**, 3/10/1855, Book of Deeds C, p. 16.

Minutes of the Esmeralda County (N.T.) Commissioners:

11/30/1863: Sitting as the Board of Equalization the Commissioners heard the appeal of "Levy of the Firm of Levy & Co." of the increased assessment fixed by the Board. Levy stated that the value of his merchandise on the day of the assessment was \$12,800 and no more. The matter was laid over to the next day. The following day the Board fixed the assessment valuation on the merchandise at \$20,000.

**Note: For more see article about Isaac's wife, Lottie Poor Levy.**

**MARKS, M. (Moses?)**

**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business: Marks & Co. Saloon

Location: in LaRue building on Pine Street

IRS Tax Assessment Lists (abstract):

In 1864 and 1865 listed variously as Marks & Co., M. Marks & Co., Moses Marks & Co., at Aurora.

Note: There were at least two Moses Marks identified as California residents prior to the Esmeralda mineral discoveries. One lived in Stockton, San Joaquin County, a city known for its Jewish populace. The other was a resident in Sacramento in 1861 and after who was owned a Saloon under the name M. Marks & Co. It would be difficult to know which of these Moses Marks opened business in Aurora, although given the occupation of the San Joaquin Moses Marks, a jeweler, it is most likely the Sacramento Moses Marks.

**NEWFIELD, A. (Aaron)**

**In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by list of voters polled at Aurora in August 1861)

Business: No information provided

Location: No information provided

1865 San Francisco City Directory:

Aaron Newfield, dwl 272 Tehama

Joseph Newfield, peddler, dwl 272 Tehama

1882 Mendocino County Great Register of Voters:

Aaron Newfield, 46 yrs, b. Prussia, Residence-Bridgeport, Naturalized-3/7/1864, Nevada 3rd Dist Ct, Registered-8/28/1882

Passenger and Immigration Lists, 1500s-1900s:

Aaron Newfield, Year Naturalized-1864, Place-Nevada (per Mendocino County Great Register, 1898)

Note: Joseph Newfield, b. 1792, d. 1870, was probably Aaron's father. It wasn't until after Joseph's death that Aaron moved to Mendocino County, although it appears that he maintained a merchandize store in San Francisco at the same time. Aaron married Theresa Mendelsohn in San Francisco, California in 1872. The marriage record was recorded in Del Norte County, California.

**OPPENHEIMER, Julius****In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) by Second Directory of Nevada.)

Business:

Location: Pine Street, Aurora

1860 Census, Stockton, San Joaquin County, California:

Julius Oppenheimer, 25 yrs, Tobacconist, b. Bavaria

IRS Tax Assessment List, May-Dec 1864:

Julius Oppenheimer, Pine St, Aurora, assessment for Income

**PRICE, William****In Aurora by: 1864**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: Last Chance saloon

Location: Antelope Street, Aurora

El Dorado County Recorder:

Marks Davidson, Jacob Levison and **Wm. Price** to Isaac Levy, 3/10/1855, Book of Deeds C, p. 16.

1860 Census, El Dorado P.O. and Township, El Dorado County, California:

William Price, 33 yrs, Variety Store, PE \$1,800, b. Prussia

M. Harris, 24 yrs, Clerk, b. Prussia

G. Nelson, 29 yrs, Clerk, b. Prussia (may also be Melson or Wilson)

New York Passenger Lists, 1820-1957, SS Bavaria, arrived New York 7/9/1860:

Eva Levysohn, 25 yrs, b. Germany

IRS Tax Assessment Lists, Nevada:

May-June 1864 – Wm Price, Aurora, 1 Billiard Table

Jan-Nov 1864 – Wm Price, Aurora, 1 Billiard Room; Retail Liquor Dealer

May-Dec 1864 – Wm Price, Antelope St, Aurora, 1 Billiard Table, Retail Dealer in Liquors, Billiard Room 1 table

1867 Yolo County, California Great Register of Voters:

William Price, 40 yrs, b. Prussia, Saloon Keeper, Residence-Woodland, Naturalized 8/22/1855, El Dorado Co., Cal., 11th Dist., Registered-6/14/1867

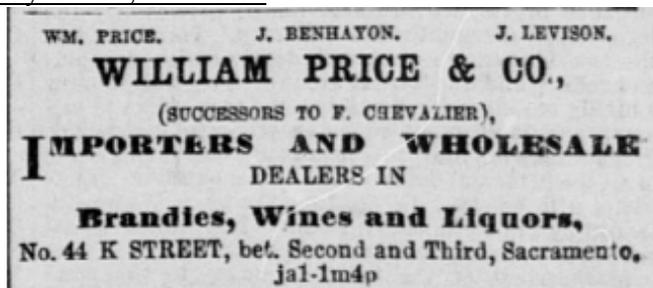
Sacramento Daily Union, 7/14/1868:

Born. In Woodland, July 9th, the wife of William Price, of twin daughters.

1868 Sacramento County, California Great Register of Voters:

William Price, 41 yrs, Merchant, Naturalized, Locality of Residence-K St., bet 2nd & 3rd

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/1/1869:



1870 Census, Sacramento Ward 5, Sacramento County, California:

W. Price, 40 yrs, Liquor Dealers (whlse), RE \$6,000 PE \$5,000, b. Prussia  
Eva Price, 32 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia  
Hattie Price, 9 yrs, attend school, b. California  
Henry Price, 10 yrs, attend school, b. California  
Louis Price, 4 yrs, b. California  
Sarah Price, 2 yrs, b. California  
Nettie Price, 2 yrs, b. California  
Pauline Spooner, 17 yrs, Domestic, b. New York  
Kate Milligan, 18 yrs, Domestic, b. Ireland

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/14/1870:

Born. In Sacramento, the wife of William Price, of a daughter.

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/2/1871:

Marriages, Births & Deaths (in 1870). July 9, 1870 to wife of William Price, a daughter.

Sacramento Daily Union, 11/12/1873:

Dissolution – Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name of Wm. Price & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent, and the business will be continued under the same firm name by William Price and Jacob Levison, to whom all claims due the late firm will be paid and who will liquidate all demands against the same. Sacramento, November 11th, 1873. (signed) Wm. Price, J. Benhayon, Jacob Levison.

Sacramento Daily Union, 3/3/1874:

Hebrew Benevolent Society. – At the annual meeting of the Ladies' Hebrew Benevolent Society, held March 1st, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. L. Elkus; Vice-President, Mrs. J. Levison; Secretary, Mrs. H. Arnold; Treasurer, **Mrs. William Price**; Trustees, Mrs. L. Levy, Mrs. A. Nachman, Mrs. R. Levy.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/4/1874:

Certificate of Partnership. (abstract) in the business in Sacramento under the name of William Price & Co.; Partners-William Price and Jacob Levison, both of Sacramento.

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/1/1875:

B'nai B'rith. Etham Lodge No. 37. – This lodge is reported to be in a flourishing condition, having 63 members and \$2,600 in the treasury. It was instituted January 22d,

1859. Following are its present officers: T. S. Newmark, President; M. Robitchek, Vice-President; Julius Lippitt, Secretary; S. Goldman, Financial Secretary; William Price, Treasurer; N. Nachman, Monitor; A. Abrams, Assistant Monitor; H. Ross, Guardian; S. Sinaz, Warden. Trustees – A. Nachman, M. Robitchek, and S. Zekind.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/24/1875:

Whiskey Ring on the Pacific Coast. The following is an extract from the long-suppressed report of Revenue Agent Joyce, who visited this coast in 1874, and examined different localities in the State in the interest of the Government. We extract what he says about Sacramento: (reports on seven liquor and drug dealers/ss) ... William Price & Co., wholesale liquor dealers, Sacramento, failed to write up their books properly. Several stand casks were in the house, and one containing spirits was unstamped.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/4/1877:

In the District Court of the United States – District of California. In the matter of William Price and Jacob Levison, bankrupt. In Bankruptcy. (notice to creditors/ss)

Note: After this Jacob Levison, brother-in-law of William Price, moved to San Francisco where he lived out his life, dying before May 1913.

Sacramento Daily Union, 1/26/1880:

Delinquent Tax List – City Roll. ...No. 146 – William Price and north 60 feet of lot 5, M and N, Sixth and Seventh streets, north 60 east half of lot 6, M and N, Sixth and Seventh streets, in the City of Sacramento, improvements and personal property; tax \$43.87, costs \$3.79. (see also Sacramento Daily Union, 2/7/1881 where delinquent tax listing identifies Germania Building and Loan and the same property; William Price and wife, mortgagors./ss)

1880 Census, Sacramento City, Sacramento County, California:

William Price, 53 yrs, married, Clerk, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia  
Eva Price, wife, 45 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia  
Harriet Price, daughter, 18 yrs, Single, at home, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Henry Price, son, 17 yrs, Clerk, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Louis Price, son, 14 yrs, at school, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Sarah Price, daughter, 11 yrs, at school, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Nettie Price, daughter, 11 yrs, at school, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Adelina Price, daughter, 9 yrs, at school, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Sophie Price, daughter, 8 yrs, at school, Single, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Mark Anison?, boarder, 17 yrs, Clerk, Single, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/29/1884:

(Abstract) article about a pleasing night of entertainment at the residence of William Price on Eighth Street.

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/5/1885:

Mr. and Mrs. William Price celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at their residence 821 Eighth street, last evening, assisted by many friends.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/8/1887:

Miss Hattie and Evelyn Levison, of San Francisco, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. William Price, at 821 Eighth street.

1888 & 1890 Sacramento County, California Great Register of Voters:

William Price, 61 yrs, b. Prussia, Residence-821 8th St, Naturalized-8/2/1855 El Dorado Co., Cal., Registered-4/3/1888

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/18/1892:

Death of a Popular Young Man. Louis Price, for a number of years a resident of Sacramento, died at his home in this city at a late hour last night. Mr. Price had been employed as a clerk for B. Wilson & Co., and was a well-known and popular young man.

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/21/1892:

Card of Thanks. We hereby desire to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to the many friends who so kindly assisted us during our recent bereavement. William Price and Family.

Sacramento Daily Union, 10/14/1896:

A local circle of the National Council of Jewish Women has been formed, with the following officers: President, Mrs. Abram Simon; Vice-President, Mrs. William Price; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Sara Lavenson; Board of Directors, Mrs. B. Steinman, Mrs. S. Ginsberg and Miss Sophia Price.

1900 Census, Sacramento Ward 6, Sacramento County, California:

William Price, b. 5/1827, 73 yrs, married 41 yrs, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1852, naturalized, Solicitor, Rents House

Eva Price, wife, b. 9/1835, 66 yrs, 7 children born/6 children then living, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1861

Hattie Price, daughter, b. 7/1864, 35 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany, Music teacher

Nettie Price, daughter, b. 7/1869, 30 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany, School teacher

Sarah Price, daughter, b. 7/1869, 30 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany

Adel Price, daughter, b. 7/1871, 28 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany

Sophie Price, daughter, b. 5/1874, 26 yrs, Single, b. California, Parents both born Germany, School teacher

Ben Wilson, Roomer, b. 3/1855, 45 yrs, Single, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US "unk", Merchant

California Pioneer and Immigrant Files, 1790-1950:

William Price (submitted June, 1952)

b. May 27, 1827, Strasberg, Germany

Married: Eva Levison, 1860, Sacramento, California  
Father: Wolf Price  
Mother: Johanna Levison  
Date of Pioneer's arrival in California: 1850  
States lived in before (?/ss) coming to California: Nevada  
Places of residence in California: El Dorado (Placer Co.), Mud Springs, Woodland, Sacramento  
Profession or occupation: watch-maker in Switzerland, men's tailoring in Germany.  
While in Placerville he kept a general merchandise exchanging goods for gold dust  
Politics: Democrat  
Where educated: Strasberg  
Place and date of death: Sacramento, Calif., Feb. 25, 1904  
Descendants: Henry, Louis, Hattie, Nettie and Sara (twins), Adele, Sophie  
Miscellaneous Notes: Voted for Abraham Lincoln; Called himself a "mugwump";  
Owned important business in Woodland; Sold same and rented "East Park" for an amusement spot (Above is now McKinley Park); Next bought Chevalier Fine Liquor Store.  
Information given by: Miss Sophie Price, daughter  
Address: 1100 N St., Sacramento, California

**SCHEIER, Gabriel**

**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified as Shier, Scheir and Scheier by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on Second Directory of Nevada and 1863 Mono County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: General Merchandise; Clothing, shoes and boots, dry goods, liquors

Location: Fire-Proof Brick Store on Antelope street, second door from Pine street (16 feet front on Antelope street

San Francisco Call, 8/15/1895:

Ophir Lodge Banquet. Members of B'nai B'rith Celebrate a Memorable Anniversary. (Asbtract) Founded 40 years ago; first Jewish Lodge on the Pacific Coast; Ophir Lodge instituted on August 14, 1855; among early members were Lewis Abraham, M. B. Aschim, ...Gabriel Scheier...; of these none remain.

Daily Alta California, 1/19/1857:

Complimentary Benefit to Miss Mary Provost. (G. Scheier among the list of names requesting Miss Provost perform in San Francisco.)

Daily Alta California, 12/23/1858:

Sheriff's Sale...the entire stock levied on as the property of G. Scheier.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/14/1859:

By Telegraph to the Union. (from San Francisco re: United States Circuit Court) ...Gabriel Scheier, dealer in clothing, cigars, boots and shoes, filed a petition for the benefit of the insolvent law. His liabilities are near \$10,000; his assets, nothing.

Daily Alta California, 1/12/1864:

Election. (officers elected in the Durand Mining Company) included G. Scheier

Daily Alta California, 9/2/1865:

Assignee's Sale. ...Gabriel Scheier vs His Creditors. (included shares in several Esmeralda District mines, including the Durand Mill and Mining Company and Mount Braly Gold and Silver Mining Company.)

1870 Census, 2nd Precinct, 10th Ward, San Francisco, California:

Gabriel Schier, 49 yrs, Crockery merchant, RE \$9,000 PE \$1,500, b. Prussia  
Hanna Schier, 43 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia  
Abraham Schier, 15 yrs, attending school, b. Prussia  
Henrietta Schier, 6 yrs, attending school, b. Prussia  
Rose Schier, 3 yrs, b. Prussia

Daily Alta California, 7/7/1875:

Passengers. From San Pedro - ...Gabriel Scheier

1880 Census, Sixth St., City of San Francisco, California:

Gabriel Sheuer, 64 yrs, married, Retired Merchant, suffers Heart & Liver complaint, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia  
Hannah Sheuer, wife, 54 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia  
Hatty Sheuer, daughter, 15 yrs, at school, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Rose Sheuer, daughter, 12 yrs, at school, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Abraham Sheuer, son, 24 yrs, married, Works in H(?at) Store, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Annie Sheuer, wife (of Abraham), 20 yrs, at home, b. California, Parents both born Prussia  
Ralph Sheuer, son (of Abraham and Annie) 2 mos, b. March, b. California, Parents both born California.

San Francisco Bulletin, 8/23/1880:

Deaths. SCHEIR – In this city, August ?20 or 22?, Gabriel Scheier, a native of Prussia, aged 64 years.

Note: There are several San Francisco City Directory listings, but no Great Register of Voters listings for Gabriel Scheier. Son Abraham Scheier died in 1900. Grandson Ralph B. Scheier became a doctor and lived in Hillsborough, California.

**SCHWAB, A.**

**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on Second Directory of Nevada and 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: 1) Stockbroker; 2) Auction Sales; 3) Retail Dealer

Location: Commission Office on north side of Pine St; lot on south side of Del Monte

Daily Alta California, 12/4/1859:

Notice – the Copartnership heretofore existing under the name A. Carrere & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All bills against the firm will be settled by A. Schwob (sic), to whom all parties indebted to us will please make prompt payment. (signed) A. Carrere, A. Schwob, San Francisco, Dec. 3d, 1859.

1860 Census, San Francisco, California:

Adolph Schwab, 36 yrs, Liquor Merchant, RE \$3,000 PE \$2,000, b. France  
Annette Schwab, 26 yrs, b. France  
Baptistine Schwab, 18 yrs, b. France

IRS Tax Assessment Lists:

Sep-Oct 1864 – A. Schwab, Aurora, Auction Sales  
May 1865 – A. Schwab, 3 S “C” St, Virginia City, Auctioneer

1870 Census, San Francisco, California:

Adolph Schwab, 46 yrs, Real Estate, PE \$1,000, b. France  
Annette Schwab, 46 yrs, Keeping House, b. France

1880 Census, San Francisco, California:

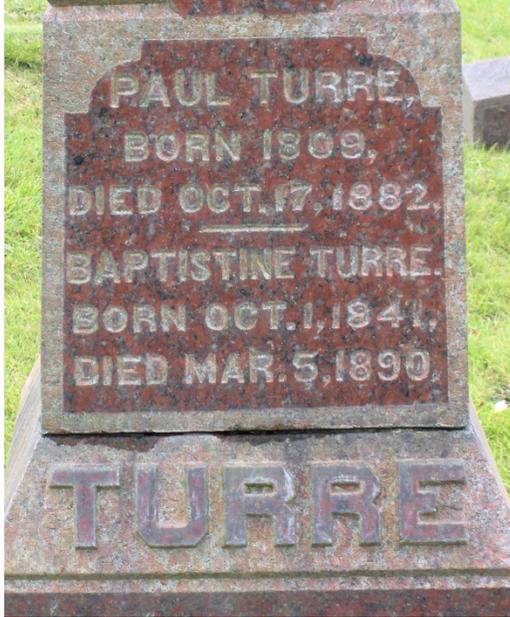
Adolph Schwab, 57 yrs, married, Accountant, b. France, Parents both born France  
Annette Schwab, wife, 57 yrs, Keeping House, b. France, Parents both born France  
Josephine Torre, granddaughter, 18 yrs, single, at home, b. California, Father b. Italy,  
Mother b. France  
Silvia Torre, granddaughter, 17 yrs, single, at home, b. California, Father b. Italy,  
Mother b. France  
Odon Torre, grandson, 14 yrs, single, at school, b. California, Father b. Italy, Mother  
b. France  
Babtistina Torre, granddaughter, 10 yrs, single, at school, b. California, Father b.  
Italy, Mother b. France  
Charles Torre, grandson, 9 yrs, single, at school, b. California, Father b. Italy, Mother  
b. France  
Cecilia Torre, granddaughter, 7 yrs, single, at school, b. California, Father b. Italy,  
Mother b. France

Note: Annette Schwab was listed on the 1896 San Francisco City Directory as a widow. She died 2/19/1898 in San Francisco, the victim of a fire while she was mentally incompetent. A year earlier, she had sued her granddaughter Sylvia and Sylvia’s husband, Adam Karl (married in 1885) when they failed to provide for her during her lifetime after she had transferred her real property to them under those terms.

Adolph and Annette’s daughter, Baptistine Turre died in 1890 at the age of 48. Baptistine Schwab Turre’s husband, Paul Turre, died in 1881 at the age of 65 years. In the 1880 census, Paul listed his occupation as Capitalist and held real estate valued at \$40,000 and personal estate valued at \$10,000.

Granddaughter Baptistine Turre married A. J. Brettonel in 1891. Granddaughter Cecelia M. Turre married W. T. Taylor in 1895. Josephine P. Turre married Harry U. Jaudin in 1888. Charles J. Turre married Clara M. Schaertzer in 1895. Grandson Odon E. Turre died in 1893 at the age of 26 years.

Cypress Lawn Memorial Park, Colma, California:



**Baptistine Schwab Turre (1841-1899)**  
(Photo courtesy of Larry White, Find A Grave)



**Adolph Schwab's grandsons, Odon E. and Paul Turre**  
(Photo courtesy of Larry White, Find A Grave)

**SCHWARTZ, M. (Mitchell)**

**In Aurora by: 1863**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) on 1864 Esmeralda County Tax Assessor Roll.)

Business: Books and Stationary

Location: 1) in Shier's (Gabriel Scheier/ss) bldg on Pine; 2) next door to Wells & Fargo's Express Office, Aurora, Esmeralda

Sacramento Daily Union, 6/19/1863:

The Sacramento Daily Union. Can be had of the following booksellers and Newsmen: Aurora, Mono Co....M. Schwartz

Minutes of the Esmeralda County (N.T.) Commissioners:

The minutes of the Board of County Commissioners beginning in September 1863 through October 4, 1864 document that M. Schwartz was among those vendors who supplied the County Offices with stationary, paper and books for the recordation of the County's business.

Sacramento Daily Union, 7/13/1864:

Married. In San Francisco, July 10th, M. Schwartz to Mary Peisner.

Sacramento Daily Union, 4/27/1865:

Born. In Aurora, Nevada, April 22d, the wife of M. Schwartz, of a son.

1869 San Francisco City Directory:

Mitchell Schwartz (Peiser & S.), dw 14 Stockton

1870 Census, San Francisco, California:

Michael Schwartz, 30 yrs, Retail Clothier, PE \$1,000, b. Prussia

Mary Schwartz, 25 yrs, Keeps House, b. Prussia

Israel Schwartz, 6 yrs, b. California

Esther Schwartz, 4 yrs, b. California

Solomon Schwartz, 2 yrs, b. California

Flora Schwartz, 8 mos, b. California

Pauline Peiser, 50 yrs, at home, b. Russia/Prussia?

1880 San Francisco City Directory:

Mitchell Schwartz, clothing, 104 Third, r(esidence) 206 Seventh

1880 Census, Seventh St., San Francisco, California:

Mitchell Schwartz, 44 yrs, married, Clothing Merchant, b. Russia, Parents both born Russia

Mary Schwartz, wife, 33 yrs, Keeping House, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia

Isreal (sic) Schwartz, son, 15 yrs, Single, Clerk in Store, b. Nevada, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Esther Schwartz, daughter, 13 yrs, Single, attending school, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Solomon Schwartz, son, 12 yrs, Single, attending school, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Flora Schwartz, daughter, 11 yrs, Single, attending school, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Henry Schwartz, son, 8 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Bella Schwartz, daughter, 5 yrs, Single, at home, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Rachel Schwartz, daughter, 3 yrs, Single, at home, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Nathan Schwartz, son, 1 yr, Single, at home, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Prussia

Paulina Pieser, mother-in-law, 60 yrs, Widowed, at home, b. Prussia, Parents both born Prussia

Daily Alta California, 3/28/1885:

Born. SCHWARTZ – In this city, March 26, to the wife of M. Schwartz, a son.

Daily Alta California, 7/7/1886:

The Fire Bell. ...At 10:50 a.m. (7/6/1886) box No. 73 turned in an alarm for fire at Nos. 204 and 206 Seventh street, owned by Thomas Enright and occupied by M. Schwartz and A. Michaels. Damage, \$75.

1900 San Francisco Directory:

Mitchell Schwartz, r(esidence) 1718 Geary  
Israel Schwartz (Schwartz & Fogel), r. 1718 Geary  
Solomon Schwartz (Schwartz & Goodman), r. 1718 Geary

1900 Census, Geary Street, San Francisco, California:

Mitchell Schwartz, b. 12/1837, 62 yrs, married 27 yrs, b. Russia, Parents both born Russia, to US 1850, Naturalized, Capitalist, Rents House  
Mary Schwartz, wife, b. 7/1840, 59 years, 9 children born/9 children living, b. Germany, Parents both born Germany, to US 1851  
Israel Schwartz, son, b. 4/1864, 36 yrs, Single, b. Nevada, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany, Live Stock Merchant  
Solomon Schwartz, son, b. 4/1868, 32 yrs, Single, b. Nevada, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany, Dry Goods Merchant  
Flora Schwartz, daughter, b. 9/1870, 29 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany  
Belle Schwartz, daughter, b. 8/1875, 24 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany  
Ray Schwartz, daughter, b. 6/1877, 22 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany  
Nathan Schwartz, son, b. 3/1879, 21 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany, Druggist  
Percy Schwartz, son, b. 2/1886, 14 yrs, Single, b. California, Father b. Russia, Mother b. Germany, at school

San Francisco Call, 4/21/1907:

Mrs. Meyer announces the engagement of her daughter, Clara, to Israel Schwartz. A reception will be held Wednesday, April 24, at 1376 Hayes street.

1920 Census, O'Farrell Street, San Francisco, California:

Mitchell Schwartz, 82 yrs, married, to US 1850, Naturalized in 1900, b. Russia, Parents both born Russia, no occupation  
Mary Schwartz, wife, 78 yrs, to US 1850, Naturalized in 1900, b. Poland, Parents both born Poland, no occupation  
Esther Clymo, daughter, 52 yrs, Widowed, b. California, Father born Russia, Mother b. Poland  
Henry Wyatt, lodger, 60 yrs, widowed, b. California, Parents birthplaces unreadable, Occupation-Nurse/Private family

JewishGen Online Burial Registry:

Mitchell Schwartz, b. about 1838, Poland, died 4/1/1920, San Francisco, California, aged 82 yrs, Buried-4/4/1920, Hills of Eternity Memorial Park Congregation Sherith Israel, Colma, California.

San Francisco Area Funeral Home Records, 1895-1985:

Harry Schwartz, b. 7/20/1872, San Francisco, CA; d. 9/21/1959, aged 87 yrs; Occupation-Pharmacist; Religion-Protestant; Father-Mitchell Schwartz, b. Germany; Mother-Mary Peiser, b. Germany; widowed husband of Lulu E. Schwartz, father of Everett A. Schwartz, Mrs. Leta Glavan and Mrs. Helene Johnson; Interment Cypress Lawn Memorial Park.

Note: Daughter Belle Schwartz married Morris E. Aron, March 22, 1903 in San Francisco. She died in San Francisco on March 10, 1949. Daughter Esther Schwartz married William O. Clymo prior to 1900. In 1900, William and Esther resided at Butte, Silver Bow County, Montana where William listed his occupation as Mining Expert. The couple had been married 11 years by this time and were childless. A native of England, William may have been the "Wm. O. Climo" enumerated at Cherry Creek, White Pine County, Nevada on the 1880 census, where he worked as a miner and resided with his father and two uncles. William died in February, 1911 in Montana. Wife Mary Peiser Schwartz died September 23, 1925, widow of the late Mitchell Schwartz and mother of Israel Schwartz, Esther Clymo, Flora Leveridge, Harry Schwartz, Belle Aron, Ray (Rachel) Jordan, Nathan and Percy Schwartz and the late Solomon Schwartz.

Hills of Eternity Memorial Park, Colma, California:



**Israel Schwartz and wife Clara Meyer Schwartz**  
(Photo by Diane Reich, 2/13/2008, Findagrave.com)

Note: Israel Schwartz died in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on July 13, 1944. (See next page for funeral notice.)

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 Funeral services will be held Tuesday morning, 11 o'clock, at the mortuary of Halsted & Co., 1123 Sutter St., near Polk.

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Funeral Notices placed by Halstead & Co., San Francisco, California

**ZELNER, J.**

**In Aurora by: 1861**

(Residence or presence identified by Cliff Shaw in his 1864 Directory and Guide (2006) as "I.(?) Zealner" on list of voters polled at Aurora, Mono Co., California on June 1, 1861.)

Business: No information provided

Location: No information provided

1860 Census, Virginia City, Carson County, Utah Territory:

J. Zelner, 28 yrs, Cigar Dealer, b. Prussia

No further information found in Nevada or California by any variation of spelling.

# CHILDREN OF HAAS MAKE ACCUSATIONS

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Old Man Is Charged With De-  
pleting Business of More  
Than \$8,000  
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Sons and Daughters Contest  
Suit of Father for Main-  
tenance  
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An accusation of misappropriation of money was made against their father by four of the children of aged Abraham Haas in a pleading filed with the county clerk yesterday. Samuel A. Haas, Juliette Block (wife of Joseph Block), Eugenia Haas and Milton Haas are the quartet of sons and daughters who prefer the charges against their parent. Abraham Haas was for 18 years president and manager of the Pacific bone, coal and fertilizing company, and he is alleged to have drawn \$8,187.46 of the funds of the company beside his salary.

Haas is suing the four sons and daughters to have the court compel them to pay \$150 a month for his support. He says he is penniless and that his children, with the exception of Albert Haas, whom he does not sue, have refused to contribute anything to his maintenance. The four who were sued filed this answer yesterday, making the charge of misappropriation and denying their father's poverty.

Haas, who had been drawing a salary of \$300 a month as president and manager of the company, was dismissed April 14, 1909, by a vote of three to two of the directors. The three who voted for his dismissal were Samuel A. Haas, his son, Solomon Peiser and Israel Peiser. In their answer, Haas' children say he was dismissed for two reasons—because he had drawn the overdraft of \$8,187.26 and because for eight months continuously he had been in feeble health and incapacitated from discharging the duties of manager, which required an active and energetic man. The withdrawal of the money by Haas constituted a very serious drawback to the success of the business, Haas' four offspring assert. They say also that Haas was offered his position back upon condition that he would apply \$150 a month of his salary of \$300 to the liquidation of the overdraft. They deny that he was dismissed because he refused to abandon a suit to establish his right to certain stock in the company.

It is also denied in the answer that Haas distributed his property among his children, except that he supported Albert during his minority. He is now dominated by Albert, the other children say. As to Haas' statement that he made over a life insurance policy to his children they admit they are each drawing a dividend of \$31-3 cents a month from it.