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Acquisition Information
The California Lettersheets were assembled from various sources.

Scope and Content
The 53 pictorial lettersheets in this collection date from 1849 to ca. 1870. Many of the lettersheets lack dates, but were likely produced within the above period. A variety of places, events, and topics are depicted. City and landscapes and mining scenes predominate. Also included are events of the day (fires, earthquakes, etc.). Places featured include San Francisco, Marysville, Sacramento, Calaveras County, and other northern California towns. The medium of the bulk of the illustrations are wood engravings or lithographs, featuring the work of the likes of Hutchings & Rosenfield, Barber & Baker, Britton & Rey, and others.

Assassination of James King of Wm. by James P. Casey. San Francisco, May 14th, 1856
BANC PIC 19xx.097:01--B--A

Additional Note
San Francisco: Britton & Rey, 1856
4 lithographs; 12 x 17 cm. each
Four illustrations. Down left to right: Assassination, Funeral of Js. King, Surrender of the Jail, Execution

Adventures of a Pike in California
BANC PIC 19xx.097:01--A--A

Additional Note
San Francisco: Britton & Rey
Lithograph: 25 x 18 cm. [overall]
Includes 17 illustrations, left to right, top to bottom: Coming in from the Plains; Winter Experience; Disturbers of his Rest; Wet Diggings; Dry Diggings; buys a Quartz Claim; Daming; Making acquaintance with the natives; Visits Sacramento; Buys a horse; and Stockton; Going back to the Mines; Other parties Claim him next day; Dead broke; Sinks in a deep hole; Makes a rais; and takes the Railroad for home

[Number not used] BANC PIC 19xx.097:02--A
Appearance of Morse & Heslep's Flour Mill, Hayward's, as left by the Earthquake of Oct. 21, 1868. Loss $12,000
BANC PIC 19xx.097:03--A--A

Additional Note
Lithograph: 13 x 18 cm.

Articles in a Miner's Creed
BANC PIC 19xx.097:04--A--A

Additional Note
[N.p.]: James M. Hutchings, 1855
Wood cut: 24 x 18 cm.

Bachelor in a Tight Place
BANC PIC 19xx.097:05--A--A

Additional Note
San Francisco: Hutchings & Rosenfield
Wood engraving; 12 x 18 cm.
Calavaras Big Tree Grove Hotel  BANC PIC 19xx.097:06--A--A  ark:/13030/tf0s20082m
Additional Note
[N.p.]: Mdss-Eng. Co. N.Y. (?)
Lithograph; 10 x 17 cm.

California Politicians  BANC PIC 19xx.097:07--A--A  ark:/13030/tf3489p38n
Additional Note
For Sale, ... at the Noisey Carrier's
Lithograph; 24 x 16 cm.

Coining Money At The San Francisco Branch Mint  San Francisco: Hutching [sic] and Rosenfield  BANC PIC 19xx.097:08--A--A  ark:/13030/tf0f59p12m
Additional Note
A. Nahl, Butler, Eastman, Herrick Sc. [in various blocks]
Wood engraving; 22 x 22 cm. [overall]
Includes 7 illustrations, left to right, top to bottom: Making The Granulations; Front View Of The San Francisco Branch Mint; Cleaning the Planchets; Running The Gold Into Ingots; Rolling And Cutting Room; Adjusting Room; Stamping Into Coin

Col E. D. Baker. We mourn his loss.  BANC PIC 19xx.097:09--A--A  ark:/13030/tf7f59p67s
Additional Note
illiam [William] Keith [in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving; 13 x 10 cm.

Day & Night Of A Miner's Life  BANC PIC 19xx.097:10--A--A  ark:/13030/tf0x0nb4gv
Additional Note
San Francisco: Britton & Rey
Lithograph; 24 x 17 cm. [overall]
Includes 3 illustrations. [2 copies]

Departure For El Dorado  BANC PIC 19xx.097:11--A--A  ark:/13030/tf5k4011b2
Additional Note
San Francisco: Quirot
Lithograph; 25 x 21 cm. [overall]
Includes 9 illustrations: Corresponding Agent; Cheap and easy way of going to the mines; Delmonico; To Admirers of Music; Departure for El Dorado; Life preserver in the mines; As I am in want of patients for my Sarsparilla, and it is the only thing I have to live upon, I shall swallow it myself; Director of the X... Mining Company; A Company of prospecting miners; Gamblers
BANC PIC 19xx.097:12--A--A
Additional Note
San Francisco: Britton & Rey
4 Lithographs; 10 x 13 cm.
Wreck of Steamship Tenessee [sic] Indian Cove, March 6th, 1853;
Wreck & Burning of the Steamer Independence, Island Marcarita Feb. 16th 1853. 150 Lives Lost;
Collapse of Flu on Board Jenny Lind off San Francisquito, April 11th 1853. 50 Lives Lost;
Wreck of Propellor [sic] Steamship S.S. Lewis, Duxburg Reef April 9th 1853
Also 2 small lithographs.
[Two copies]

Downieville At The Forks Of The North Yuba River
BANC PIC 19xx.097:13--A--A
Additional Note
[N.p.]: S. W. Langton
Sketched by A. W. Grippen
Justh & Quirot Lithographers
Lithograph; 17 x 26 cm.

Earthquake In San Francisco, Cal. Oct. 21st 1868
BANC PIC 19xx.097:14--A--A
Additional Note
San Francisco: D. Appleton & Co.
3 Lithographs, left to right; 9 x 5 cm.; 11 x 11 cm.; 9 x 5 cm.

The Frazer River Thermometer
BANC PIC 19xx.097:15--B--A
Additional Note
San Francisco: Sterett & Butler, 1858
Lithograph; 41 x 25 cm. [overall]
Includes 18 illustrations: across top: Leaves his family; Widest anticipations realized; Gold by the cart l oad; down left side: Jonathan takes the Fever; Law limit 400; Excited Speculators; $500 per day to the man; Gets a Letter from his friend; Reports confirmed; The Bulletin Board; Country Merchant; down right side: Interior view Victoria Hotel; Waits for the River to Fall; The Water Falls; A Bare prospect; Hair-breadth escape; Bone of a grizzly, not a gristly bone; down center: illustration of thermometer

Great Fire In San Francisco June 14th 1850. 500 Buildings Burned Loss $5,000,000
BANC PIC 19xx.097:16--A--A
Additional Note
[N.p.]: WB Cooke & Co.
C. J. Pollard Lithograph Lithograph; 12 x 23 cm.

The great Fire in San Francisco in the morning of the 17 of September 1850
BANC PIC 19xx.097:17--B--A
Additional Note
Grand incendie á San Francisco Le 17 Septembre 1850. (au matin).
El gran Incendio en la mañana del 17 de Setiembre 1850
[all 17's are blurred as if artist were not sure of date]
Lithograph; 20 x 36 cm.
**Hutchings’ California Scenes. The Mammoth Trees** BANC PIC 19xx.097:18--A--A

Additional Note

[N.p.]: James M. Hutchings, 1854
Sun Print
Anthony & Baker Sc. [in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving; 22 x 18 cm.
[Three copies. See also no. 35]

**Hydraulic Method of Mining** BANC PIC 19xx.097:19--A--A

Additional Note

W. C. Butler, Engraver [in block, l.r.]
C. Nahl. [in block, l.l.]
Wood engraving; 23 x 18 cm.

**Iowa Hill** BANC PIC 19xx.097:20--A--A

Additional Note

[N.p.]: Barber & Baker
G. H. Baker del. [in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving; 11 x 19 cm.

**Jose Forner, Aged 32 Years, a Native of Valencia, Spain** BANC PIC 19xx.097:21--B--A

Additional Note

San Francisco: Bonestell & Williston
Published under the direction of the keepers of the County Jail
Lithograph; 21 x 18 cm.

**La Porte, Sierra County** BANC PIC 19xx.097:22--A--A

Additional Note

La Porte: J. C. Lester
AE S. F. [monogram in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving; 10 x 13 cm.

**The Late Hon. David C. Broderick, United States Senator From California** BANC PIC 19xx.097:23--A--A

Additional Note
Butler [in block, l.r.]
From a Photograph by Selleck, being the only one ever taken from life
Wood engraving; 11 x 10 cm.

**Mammoth Grove Hotel** BANC PIC 19xx.097:24--A--A

Additional Note
Sperry & De Briges, Proprietor
Calaveras County, Cal ...... 187 [1870s]
T. J. Pettit [in both blocks, l.r.]
2 Lithographs (?); 10 x 8 cm.
Mammoth Grove Hotel BANC PIC 19xx.097:25--A--A  ark:/13030/tf187008jw
Additional Note
Sperry & Perry, Proprietor
Calaveras County, Cal. ..... 187 [1870s]
Stockton (Cal.) Independent print
Lithograph (?); 8 x 5 cm.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year BANC PIC 19xx.097:26--A  ark:/13030/tf1r29p1vs
Additional Note
San Francisco: Hutchings & Rosenfield
Wood engraving; 9 x 11 cm.

Michigan City BANC PIC 19xx.097:27--A--A  ark:/13030/tf3j49p2cb
Additional Note
Sacramento: Barber & Baker
Wood engraving; 10 x 19cm.

Miner's Hotel and Bakery, Mormon Island BANC PIC 19xx.097:28--A--A  ark:/13030/tf367nb63g
Additional Note
Dallas A. Kneas
Avery, Sc. N.Y. [under block, l.r.]
Lithograph; 11 x 17 cm.
(? "Early Woodcut by Samuel Putnam Avery, 185- ?, hand-written in pen)

Miner's Map of Frazer River And Its' Tributaries With The Gold Bearing Country BANC PIC 19xx.097:29--A--A  ark:/13030/tf729011wp
Additional Note
San Francisco: Towne & Co's Print
S. F. Baker, Engr.
Sold by J. W. Sullivan, News Agent, San Francisco
Wood engraving; 25 x 21 cm.

Miner's Ten Commandments BANC PIC 19xx.097:30--A--A  ark:/13030/tf1779p18q
Additional Note
A New Verse-ion, Including A Preamble, By-Laws and Decree
by Cadez Orion
Downieville: S. W. Langton & Bro'[thers] Sierra County
Lithograph of Britton & Rey, San Francisco
3 Lithographs; across top: 7 x 8 cm. Good Years Bar; 7 x 5 cm. [untitled]; 7 x 8 cm.
Downieville

[Mining Scene, untitled] BANC PIC 19xx.097:31--A--A  ark:/13030/tf087007j3
Additional Note
[N.p.]: Chas. P. Kimball
Noisy Carrier's Publishing Hall, San Francisco
ECR [backwards, in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving;(?) 13 x 16 cm.
Nevada City  BANC PIC 19xx.097:32--A--A  ark:/13030/tf1k4007s0
Additional Note
[N.p.]: Forrest & Borden
Wood engraving; 16 x 28 cm.

Placerville  BANC PIC 19xx.097:33--A--A  ark:/13030/tf709nb8sq
Additional Note
San Francisco: Quirot & Co.
Lithograph; 19 x 26 cm.

Der Riesenbaum der Welt  BANC PIC 19xx.097:35--A--A  ark:/13030/tf1489p1cm
Additional Note
Die Mammoth=Bäume
San Francisco: Hutchings & Rosenfield
Anthony & Baker Sc. [in block lower right]
Wood engraving (?); 22 x 18 cm.
[See also no. 18]

Sacramento City, From The R Street Levee  BANC PIC 19xx.097:36--A--A  ark:/13030/tf9s20143f
Additional Note
Sacramento: Barber & Baker
Barber & Baker [in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving; 10 x 18 cm.

San Francisco in 1849  BANC PIC 19xx.097:37--A--A  ark:/13030/tf4z09p3nw
Additional Note
Taken from Broadway near Kearny Street
Wood engraving; 10 x 16 cm.

San Francisco Court House, Alameda Co. as left by the Earthquake of Oct. 21, 1868  BANC PIC 19xx.097:38--A--A  ark:/13030/tf6t1nb8g0
Additional Note
Lithograph; 13 x 20 cm.

Sonora Jany. 1853  BANC PIC 19xx.097:39--A--A  ark:/13030/tf400010hg
Additional Note
San Francisco: Britton & Rey
George H. Goddard del.
Lithograph; 18 x 25 cm.

Southern Approach to Jamestown Tuolumne County Cal.  BANC PIC 19xx.097:40--B--A  ark:/13030/tf738nb8gg
Additional Note
Lithograph by Britton and Rey, San Francisco
Entered by L. Jones, 1853
G. H. Goddard del.
Lithograph; 11 x 34 cm.
[Table of distances to the fork of the Thompson’s River. Transferred to book collection. Cataloged as pfPM849.T3] BANC PIC 19xx.097:41--A

View of Minnesota with Orleans Flat in the distance, taken from the hill in the rear of the Spring House BANC PIC 19xx.097:42--A

- Additional Note
  - Downieville: Wm. B. Monmonier, June 1st 1856
  - Lithograph by Britton & Rey
  - Lithograph; 10 x 20 cm.

View of Montgomery St. From Sacramento Wharf The Morning After The Great Fire BANC PIC 19xx.097:43--A

- Additional Note
  - Lithograph by Justh & Co., San Francisco
  - Lithograph; 14 x 26 cm.

View Of The Conflagration Of Marysville, On The Night Of August 30th - 1851. BANC PIC 19xx.097:44--A

- Additional Note
  - Three entire squares consumed - Loss estimated $ 500,000
  - Marysville: R. A. Eddy
  - Lithograph by Justh, Quirot & Co., San Francisco
  - Lithograph; 19 x 27 cm.

View Of The Plaza Marysville Alt. California BANC PIC 19xx.097:45--A

- Additional Note
  - [San Francisco: Cooke & Le Count]
  - Lithograph of Pollard & Perrgoy [sic] San Francisco
  - Lithograph; 18 x 25 cm.

View On Second Street, Sacramento City BANC PIC 19xx.097:46--A

- Additional Note
  - Sacramento: Barber & Baker
  - Barber & Baker [in block, l.r.]
  - Wood engraving; 11 x 19 cm.

Winter In The Mines BANC PIC 19xx.097:47--B

- Additional Note
  - San Francisco: Hutchings & Rosenfield
  - Printed by S. H. Wade, [San Francisco]
  - C. Nahl [in several blocks] C.N. [in one block]
  - A [Thomas Armstrong monogram, in three blocks]
  - Wood engraving; 39 x 25 cm. [overall]
  - Includes 7 illustrations

Additional Note
San Francisco, Feb. 11, 1851
Boyd [under block, l.r.]
Wood engraving (?); 4 x 10 cm.

Banking House of Page, Bacon & Co. BANC PIC 19xx.097:49--A--A ark:/13030/tf109nb401

Additional Note
Sacramento, 185 [1850s]
Offices Sacramento, Stockton, San Francisco
Wood engraving (?); 28 x 24 cm. [overall]
Includes 4 illustrations

Banking House of Page, Bacon & Co. BANC PIC 19xx.097:50--A--A ark:/13030/tf8v19p6cs

Additional Note
Sacramento, 185 [1850s]
Offices Sacramento, Stockton, San Francisco
Wood engraving (?); 28 x 24 cm. [overall]
Includes 4 illustrations
[Variant of :49--A]

Banking House of Page, Bacon & Co., BANC PIC 19xx.097:51--A--A ark:/13030/tf1m3nb483

Additional Note
San Francisco........18 [after 1850]
Correspondents.
American Ex. Bank, New York
Duncan, Sherman & Co.
Atlantic Bank, Boston
Philadelphia Bank, Philadelphia
La State Bank, New Orleans
Page & Bacon, St. Louis
2 Wood engravings (?); 5 x 5 cm.

Office Of The Mining and Scientific Press. BANC PIC 19xx.097:52--A--A ark:/13030/tf8p30120z

Additional Note
Government House, San Francisco
San Francisco......1861
Wood engraving (?); 5 x 22 cm.

Stockton Female Seminary, Stockton BANC PIC 19xx.097:53--A--A ark:/13030/tf7199p5wh

Additional Note
18 [1866?]
D'Van Vleck, Del - Sc. [artist and engraver in block, l.l.]
Wood engraving (?); 10 x 18 cm.
"True Delta" Depot. Sacramento City ..........1851 BANC PIC 19xx.097:54--A--A

Ark:/13030/tf329008nr

Additional Note
W. Onensbury (?) del [in block, l.r.]
Wood engraving (?); 10 x 12 cm.