



## CA – AMADOR

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### Case Name: CA-Amador-Volcano-Cannon-M1835-FieldGun

**State:** California  
**County:** Amador  
**Location:**  
 Corner, Charelston Road and Consolation St., in a shelter, Volcano, CA

**Latitude:** North 38.44284° (Google Earth)

**Longitude:** West 120.63140°

**Reported by:**  
 Stark list & Armistead 1998, Kirby Morgan 1999

**Researched by:**

**Status:**

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|   | Under Assessment                          |
| X | Needs Further Investigation               |
|   | Completed                                 |
|   | CWM-61 (assessment form) available        |
|   | Form CWM-62 (grant application) available |

**Type:**  
 6-pdr, bronze field gun, M1835, cast 1837, "Old Abe"

**Photos:**  
 Right: Photo postcard, circa 1950  
 [additional photos needed]



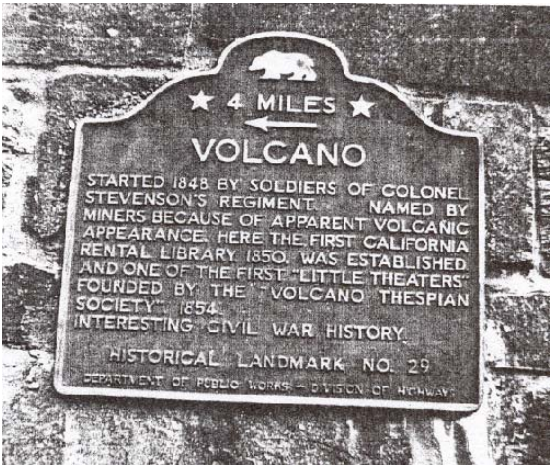
**Notes:**

A real historical piece. It was brought from San Francisco in a hearse and was a surprise to the Confederate faction when they confronted the Union group.

Bronze plaque mounted on base of nearby flagpole inscribed as follows:

THIS FOUNTAIN | WITH | "OLD ABE" | THE CANNON | DEDICATED JULY 15, 1934 | TO THE MEMORY OF | VOLCANO BLUES | VOLUNTEERS | IN THE CIVIL WAR



| Case Name: CA-Amador-Volcano-Plaque-CSHL29                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <b>State:</b> California<br><b>County:</b> Amador<br><b>Location:</b><br>Intersection of Main St. & Consolation St., Volcano, CA.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>Type:</b><br>Plaque - California State Historical Landmark No. 29                                                                                               |
| <b>Latitude:</b> North 38.44261° (Google Earth)<br><b>Longitude:</b> West 120.63149°                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Photos:</b><br>Right: Early photo of the plaque. [additional photos needed]  |
| <b>Reported by:</b><br>Tad D. Campbell, Camp 4, May 2002                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Researched by:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Status:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Under Assessment<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs Further Investigation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Completed<br><input type="checkbox"/> CWM-61 (assessment form) available<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form CWM-62 (grant application) available                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Notes:</b><br>NO. 29 VOLCANO - The spot was discovered in 1848 by Colonel Stevenson's men, who mined Soldiers Gulch in 1849. By 1853 the flats and gulches swarmed with men who named them picturesquely. Hydraulic operations, begun in 1855, brought thousands of fortune seekers to form a town of 17 hotels, a library, a theater, and courts of quick justice. During the Civil War, Volcano's gold served the Union - Volcano Blues smuggled the cannon 'Old Abe' in by hearse to quell rebels.<br><br>Inscription:<br>4 MILES   VOLCANO   STARTED 1848 BY SOLDIERS OF COLONEL   STEVENSON'S REGIMENT. NAMED BY   MINERS BECAUSE OF APPARENT VOLCANIC   APPEARANCE. HERE THE FIRST CALIFORNIA   RENTAL LIBRARY, 1850, WAS ESTABLISHED,   AND ONE OF THE FIRST "LITTLE THEATERS"   FOUNDED BY THE "VOLCANO THESPIAN   SOCIETY", 1854.   INTERESTING CIVIL WAR HISTORY.<br>HISTORICAL LANDMARK NO. 29   DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS |                                                                                                                                                                    |