



CA - NEVADA

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Case Name: CA-Nevada-Grass Valley-DowAlexanderMemorialPark-8in-Columbiad-1854

State: California County: Nevada

Location:

Dow Alexander Memorial Park (AKA, City Square, G.V. Jaycee Park) Bank and Bennett Streets, Grass Valley, CA

Latitude: North 39.21791° (Google Earth)

Longitude: West 121.05845°

Reported by:

Kirby Morgan, M.O., Gen. George Wright Camp #22, 1999.

Researched by:

Kirby Morgan, Dept. M.O. and D.M.O. Camp #22, essentially complete.

Status:

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

Type:

Cannon, iron, 8" Columbiad, Model 1844, foundry C.A. & Co. [Alger], foundry no. 868, registry no. 28, inspector BH [Benjamin Huger], cast 1854, weight 9130 pounds. Formerly in a battery at Fort Point.

Photos:

Right: Photo of cannon, 5 December 1999. Courtesy Kirby Morgan, DMO.



Form 61 link:

Notes:

1911 "When the Square was completed it was dedicated to the pioneers and to the Memory of Nevada County boys of Company I, Regiment 8, Volunteers for the Spanish American War." Included in the park is the Columbiad from Fort Point and/or Alcatraz Island Fort via Benicia. KRM/17Aug2008

Inscription on associated plaque:

COLUMBIAD CANNON -1850 | Last on duty at Fort Point on San Francisco | Bay. Grass Valley Women's Improvement Club | arranged with the US War Department for | donation to be placed in City Square, now | Dow Alexander Park. Transferred from Benicia | Arsenal to here in 1911. Only known example | of its type to exist, Weight 9,100 pounds. | Marker placed by City of Grass Valley and | Wm. Bull Meek - Wm. Morris Stewart, #10 | E Clampus Vitus, Nevada City, California. | October 2, 2004

Faces South, toward Bank Street.



Case Name: CA-Nevada-Nevada City-Cannons-1912			
State: California County: Nevada Location: Nevada City, CA. Status and location not known.	Type: Two "pieces of ordnance" with carriages and a set of twelve cannon balls. A 3" ordnance rifle, Model 1861 is reported to be in a private collection in the Nevada City area. Additional identification details on file.		
	Photos:		
Latitude: North °	[photos needed]		
Longitude: West °			
Reported by:			
Dean Enderlin (DMO), Ellsworth Camp 23, 11 January 2014			
Researched by:			
Status:			
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X Needs Further Investigation			
Completed			
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Notes:

Status unknown. One of a number of cannons requested for delivery to various California GAR Posts and towns in a bill passed by Congressman John Raker. On 16 Feb. 2013, the site of the cannon display had still not been selected, and one of the two had cannons had gone to Downieville. By 27 July 2013, the cannon had still not been delivered to Nevada City, raising the question of whether it was ever delivered. Associated with Chattanooga Post, No. 115, G.A.R., based in Nevada City.

Excerpt from the Sixty-second Congress, Sess. II, Chapter 384, August 24, 1912 [H.R. 24458]:

CHAP. 384. – An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War, in his discretion, to deliver to certain cities and towns condemned bronze or brass cannon, with their carriages and outfit of cannon balls, and so forth. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,

"To the city of Nevada City, California, two obsolete piece of ordnance, together with their carriages for mounting, and twelve cannon balls, for use at Chattanooga Post, Numbered One hundred and fifteen, Grand Army of the Republic, the same to be subject at all times to the order of the Secretary of War."