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First School in California

p 105. William F. Hartnell, an Englishman who arrived in California on an old Whaling-ship from South America in 1822, and who became a thorough Californian in every sense of the word. Even when trouble came between Mexico and the United States he did not forsake the country of his adoption and did every thing possible to aid the Spaniards in getting patents on their land grants. Hartnell not only took an interest in the government, but established the first school in California.

He opened it on his rancho near Manterey. He called it Seminario de San José. Hartnell received the grant of Rancho del Patrocinio, in the Manterey district. The United States engaged Hartnell to translate the old Spanish records into English.