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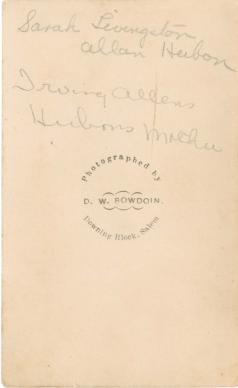
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Sarah Livingstone allen - Hubon was borne in Prince Edward's Island - B. M. a. Clot. 27 - 1829

my husband (Sliphin Frederic Hubon) and y with our five children arrived in Som thigs can Sept. 23-1868- coming from Salem mass. for the benefit of my husband's health. He had been in San Francisco " Du The Days of 49" and had longed to return. If it had not been for the cause of our journey. I fear I shaved never have seen aur beloud San Aligo, as I dreaded having have and friends for an unsettled country so far any The ment by stranner from new yark to-Panama, crassing the Iselumo, this trak a Sterner 6- Same Francisco where we stapped for four months, my husband looking for a Silvation when he met nor. M.g. Wheeler and a man named Danis who were about to buy ar had bought a rauch near the Sweet that Rive he Sam alingo Co. They manted my husband to buy in as a Third partner, he wak a trip down by Stramer, decided to leny and came back to S.T. We came to Sam Digo an the 3.S. Chazaha. Im. Wheeler met up and toak us to nash's Store which strad an the conver of G. and State Sto. Where Mr. Danis mas maiting. The started for the ranch in a farm magon. In spile of the lonely Sept. day, and the cuthersian

Page 2 of my family, I was a sad and lonely woman when we arrived at the rauch, as there was not another house in sight.

Mr. Harten (the failur of hew Som klings) wanted us to stay in the town, and had offered us the block bounded by C and D (now Braadway) 7th and 8- sto for \$25000 but my husband thought he would like to try farming. He soon found that it was not the life for him, and I was much relieved when he decided to go to San Alingo and buy a lot and build us a home.

He payed \$25000 for a lot 50×100 ft. a part of the black that had been offered him for that price three months before.

Aluring aur stay at the rauch I saw only one woman, the children were and playing when they saw her in the distance, her skirts blowing in the breeze, They came running to tett say "There's a woman coming mama, there's a would but when she came marer we found that she was an Andian and we canedit understand Each where.

When the men more all away from the ranch I kipt the children near the house so that I night get there in quickly if Indians came, Une day I saw an Indian coming very fast are horse-back, I called to the children to come quickly, suit them all up stairs, becked the dwars, put down The shades, wak the stone paker in my hand and mailed. I pecked out when the came near and saw That he was druck; he rode around the back

Page 3 a few times and almost backed his horse through a window, called and something us, his law guage and rode away. What a relief it was where I saw him disappearing in the destance, but the children played in the house the rest of the day. I never shall forget that fearful days at the rauch, my husband was very ill while we were there and no dactor nearer than all Jown, I used to pray that I might keep my senses. I jelt much safer when we neve in the where, It was good to see a few hunses, and have a little sacial life. Families kept coming by straner and coursed magon, Soon the Streets more cheved of brush, and we more bild that me more wed that me more to have a rail. road hefore long, but year after year me Kept hoping and mailing in name. The Leligow family camped by our house when they first arrived in Same Aligo, also the Juck family, In Those days me formed Friendships That have lasted through life. nor. Juck was the only one of his family who could speak English, The athers speaking Spanish and Jerman, They rended a house no the same block with us and when nor. Juch was at have I cauld risit Ims. Juch as he was aur mperpreter, intil the cheldren harned ho Speak English and it was surprising how quickly

Jage 4 They learned, the took are home paper The "Salem Register" for a number of years, my husband wrote a few articles for it, ou Some of the strange and startling happen-Ingo of the "Wild and Woolly West" The papers came in handy to use al mallpaper mile the town grew large enough to offerd such huxures. For some time we baught mater by the hucket Quagine doing The laundry for a family of seven using mater baught by the hucket. Later we had a well dug but the maker mas not good for drinking. after a while we began to have dances and a lat of good times, I was quite astonished when, at one of the first parties & attinded in San Diego, I saw the Spanish ladus smoking cigarettes, but this more so very nice and refined, That I soon realized it mas their custom and thought no more of it, The "Juin Hauses" on I and First Streels mere the scene of a very large and Enjoyable party given before the partition was put be-Tween. all of ald Jour twined aut as well as new Jown, There was always a bounteous Supper at those parties and dancing milil moning, after nor. Horlen built his hall on The corner of sight and F. Streets all public dances Jestinals and concerts more held there. year after year San hligo grew dearer to me

Tage 5 and I ceased longing for an Easton have. my husband grew strong again and lived many years, the raised aur fin children to man bind and womanboard. The hardships of the early days have passed and many of this for goeen. I have lived to see the wildomess of 1568 Turne into this beautiful city of Same aliego and have seen citelization advance from ail taper lamps and candles to electricity, and from primitive horse drawn conveyances to automobiles and flying machines. Talked our helphones and heard radios. The proneers are my tried and true friends The Prover Saciety and my church are my favorile cutictanuments, and about all I need at the age of ninety years. Sarah allen Hubon passed away act. 2141923 at the age of muly faur years.

Lannie Huban Stidman.