Fairfield

Fairfield, Chauncey Perkins, born at Cambridge, Lamoille County, Vermont, March 16, 1833; son of Stanton and Almeda (Hall) Fairchild; married Phoebe Adel Welles (1840-1935) at Castile, Wyoming County, New York, August 29, 1866; children, Frank Welles, Hiram Perkins and Myra Alice (Mrs. Chamberlain to find).

Commissioned as 2d Lieutenant, Captain Eugene B. Gibbs' Company E, 2d California Infantry, at San Francisco, California, September 17, 1861; went by sea to Fort Vancouver, Washington Territory, and stationed there from October, 1861 until May, 1862; went by sea to Humboldt County, California, where he was promoted 1st Lieutenant and transferred to Company A, same Regiment, at Fort Gaston, October 2, 1862; stationed with the Company at Fort Humboldt until July, 1863; returned by sea to San Francisco, where he was promoted to Captain and assigned to Company B, same Regiment, December 13, 1864; stationed in San Francisco until he embarked with the Company on the S. S. Senator, August 19 and arrived at Drum Barracks, near San Pedro, August 21, 1865; marched from Drum Barracks early in September and went via Fort Yuma and the Pima Villages to the site of old Fort Breckinridge on the San Pedro River, A.T., arriving in October, 1865; the name of the Post was changed to Camp Grant and he was stationed there until March, 1866; returned with the Company to California and was honorably discharged at the Presidio of San Francisco, May 10, 1866.

Died at Los Gatos, Santa Clara County, California, November 13, 1923, aged 90; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, San Jose, California.

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