

## Probate Court Records San Luis Obispo County, California

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The Information was recorded from Probate packets located in the Superior Court of San Luis Obispo County.

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Packet #1: Estate of Joaquin Blanco - Filed November 3 1851  
[Guardianship during divorce proceedings.]

Blanco, Maria Jesusa wife of Don Joaquin Blanco  
Maria Jesusa Blanco's father is Victor Linares [Linaris]

Children of Joaquin and Maria Blanco:

Jose Merihildo Blanco, about 16 yrs chooses Victor Lenares as guardian

Jose Miguel Blanco, ca 11 yrs

Dolores Blanco Pilar Blanco

Francisca Blanco

W J Graves, co Judge, appoints Victor Linares guardian, with the exception of Jose Merihildo Blanco, who is to choose own.

All live in County of SLO, Maria, her children, her husband, her father.

30 Nov 1851:

Wm Stenner, principal

James D Htton - Bonded

Jacob Schieferli [Shefferli] - Bonded

Bonded \$400.00 [Sureties]

27 May 1852:

Wm Stenner [Stanner], principal

Joseph Levey - Bonded

Wm Breck - Bonded

Bond \$500.00 [Sureties]

28 July 1852:

Wm Stenner, Admin of Estate of Joaquin Blanco, deceased. He asks Court for permission to sell inventory for creditors as he cannot pay admin expenses.

Packet #2: Estate of Trifon Garcia [Will in Spanish]

12 April 1851

Ramona Ortega, widow of Mercurial Garcia, late of said Co., deceased, married him in 1844. He died intestate 7 December 1850. He left three children all whom are living [not named]. Part of cattle now in care of Jose Maria Sanchez in San Juan; other cattle in care of Don Joaquin Estrada, Witnessed by Maria Antonia Ortega.

Book E, Folio 202

Wm Graves, Prob Judge, certifies that the Will of Trifon Garcia was written, subscribed and sworn to by Mariano Bonilla in open Court, 18 Day September 1851

Proof of Will recorded [In Spanish] 19 September 1851.

Advertised in SF Morning Post, 26 September 1851

September 1851

Andrew J Yates, Administrator [Office in San Jose]

Mariano Bonilla & Pio Linares - Appraisers

Inventory: "One lot in the Mission of SLO - \$300.00"

Signed: A J Yates "Rancho of Atascadero"

4 horses [stolen]

Maria Antonia Garcia de Ortega, widow of Trifon Garcia and now wife of Pio Linares of said County. The Attorney signed her name as Antonia Marie de ortega.

17 December 1852

Don J Mariano Bonilla, a surety, wants to be released. He is one of surities of Andrew j yates, admin of Estate of Trifon Garcia. James D Hutton, Clerk of Court. W J Graves, Attorney. O m Brown, Probate Judge of Co of SLO.

Packet #3: Estate of Thomas Olivera [aka Tomas Olivera]

20 September 1851

Maria Antonia Cota, Executrix

Advertised in S F Herald

Died in SLO County 25 June 1848.

Attornery for Maria is Juan de Dios Olivera.

Statement that 500 cattle in care of Don Joaquin Estrada since 1846

Estrada refuses to deliver cattle to settle estate.

Mariano Bonilla says he witnessed Will.

Said written by Jose Maria Valinsuela.

Maria Antonia Cota, Principal

Juan de Dios Olivera & Jose Olivera - Sureties

1852

Joseph M Levy, Public Admin for Co, appointed Administrator.

Maria Cota's letters of admin revoked.

[Estrada got cattle, she had no proof]

Packet #4: Estate of William Read [Reade, Reed]

W J Graves, Public Admin, Admin Estate

2 April 1852

Statement that in year 1848 William Reed, residing in San Miguel, was killed. he died at Mission of San Miguel, intestate [San Miguel Archangel]

5 April 1852

Joseph M Levey, Public Admin [later?] sold deceased's 1/2 of Mission [Value of Mission of San Miguel, incl land and improvements, \$7,000] to John Wilson.

John Wilson repr by Attorney Parker H French, asked that order of sale be rescinded.

9 Jun 1852

Statement by Petronilla Ruis [Rios?], with interpreter James D Hutton.

Says daughter was married to deceased.

She was not his daughter, but his adopted daughter [not named]

The adopted dau has a sister living now in Mission of San Antonio, county of Monterey [San Antonio de Padua].

"Heard that the money and clothing was found on the robbers who were taken in Santa Barbara".

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California Missions, ed by Ralph B Wright p 75

"The last Franciscan left San Miguel in 1840 and the last remnants of the Mission were sold by Pio Pica [Pico] in 1846. During the 1860 & 1870's the long monastery building was turned into a series of stores... In 1878, the property was taken over again by the Catholic Church... and structures gradually restored... The Franciscans returned to the Mission in 1928."

Packet # 5: Henry Amos Tefft\* Estate

\* Lawyer, Born in NY

Mentioned in the History of San Luis Obispo, Myron Angel

8 April 1852 - Estate Filed

Admin of Estate: Josefa Dana de Tefft, principal, of Nipoma

Capt William G Dana of Nipoma - sureties

William A Streeter - sureties

James D Hutton, Attorney

Henry Tefft died 6 February 1852 in SLO Co., intestate

Wm G Dana to be Administrator

22 April 1852

Advertised in L A Star

Packet #6: Estate of Thomas Park, deceased, late of SLO Co.

3 June 1854

Petition for letters of admin

Romauldo Pacheco, Probat Judge of Co.

Sometime in month of November 1851 Thomas Park, res of Co., died in Santa Clara , Co. of Monterey, while on a visit.

Intestate

Petition of Jose de Jesus Pico of the County

Packet #6: Joseph Goodson Estate

Filed 1 March 1853

Sam'l Pollard & Francisco Z Branch - [Partners of deceased to raise stock]

P H French, Attorney

Rancho of Huerhuera in Co of SLO

William R Hutton, witness

Richard Reed, witness

Elliot Libbey, Recorder

Robert Pollard, named as partner

No known heirs within this State

Died about 13-20 December 1852 in San Benito

Joseph M levey, public Admin, wants to handle Estate

S A Pollard & Francisco Z Branch - Principals

P H French & Wm G Dana - surties

2 July 1834

Pollard & Branch resign as Administrators

Packet #7: Estate of Joseph B Clemments [Clements] M D

24 October 1854

Luisa [Louisa] Elizabeth Clemments; widow; Administratrix

Joseph B Clemments died intestate; was of SLO Co.

Joseph B Clemments died 13 May 1854

"Other Names"

D F Mewsom, Probate Clerk

W J Graves, Attorney

B F Davenport, Attorney [Ben F Davenport, Appraiser]

John Wilson, Appraiser

William E Borland, Appraiser

Bernardo Lascano [Larcano?] Surety

Jose Miguel Gomez, Surety

Advertised in L A Star, January 12 1855

James S Waite, Dr [Receipt]

Note: There is a whole list of names that might be either a list of patients or a list of people to whom money was owed. [They are typed as is]

William Stanner

Antonia Maria Villa

Jesus Pico

John Wilson

A T McClure, Druggist

Hosea [Hose] M Lourlyo [Loureyo?]

Vincente Cané

Edward Eversfield

Lascano & Brothers

Wm L Beebee

C L Kellogg

James M Moore & Co

Wm J Graves

William Breck

Lewis Brazzolaro [many spellings]

Thomas J Harvey

Wm A Streeter

Dalldet

Bernardo Lascano & Brothers

F Z Branch

Charles Varien

Joaquin Estrada

Diego Olivera

Benera ?

Miguel Avila

William Butts

Sebastiana

Antonia Maria

Capt French

Harry Osgood

N ? Perry

E Bounce ?

Henry Osgood

Jerome A Linass?

Jose Ant Monigo

Inventory: 25 June 1854

Public Auction

Oath of Admin. dated: 3 July 1854

Packet #8: Estate and Admin of Will of Jose M Villa  
Will is in Spanish and is long.

Will filed August 18 1854

Will is recorded in Book E of Wills p 206-207, 27 November 1854

He is roman Catholic

Will executed 8 November 1853

Mentions:

José maria Villavicencio y de Serafina Espinosa

His wife Rafaela Rodrigues de Villa

Legitimate Children:

Clamados ? [written in pencil]

Jose Ramon Villa, Flujencio [Furtgencio?] Villa, Acencion [asencion] Villa, José Ygnacio Villa, José Villa, Antonio Villa and Ramona Villa

Names Mentioned:

Romaldo Pacheco, Co Judge of SLO Co

Dr Nicolas Carpio

Manuel Nevare [Nevares], witnessed will

W J Graves, Appraiser

True? De Jesus Pico, Appraiser

Luis Arenas

Jose ? Carlon

Antonio Landrin

Luis Arellanus?

Francisco Gacias [Garcias?]

Juan Gallado

Teodoro Yorba

Lisi Gacia

Chanot Gacia

Arnidio? Ortega "owed for 2 barrels brandy"

Jose M Muños, Co Judge of SLO

James Wirth [White] of SLO

Josefa Villa de Foncica [Fourcica?]

Mercfilda ? Fourcica?

D F Newsom, SLO Co Clerk

Jose Mequil Merchant, witnessed will; wrote will for dec'd.

J M Price

There is a descriptive deed in packet.

"Rancho Corral de Piedra" [Originally four square leagues] in the Mexican grant

14 May 1841 by Gov of Calif. Juan B Alverado and

28 May 1846 by Gov of Calif. Pio Pico

January 1855: Advert. In L A Star

"Jose Ramon Villa, son of said Jose Maria Villa"

Jose Maria Villa died 24 December 1853

Widow is named Executrix

Packet # 9: Estate of Gabrael Salazar

Will in Spanish, written 1 December [del año de mil y ocho cientos cincuenta ye cuatro]

Filed: 4 June 1855

He resided in SLO Co

Records Mention:

J M havens, Judge of Probate Court, SLO

26 December 1862: Victorino Chaves, an executor of will, resigns

7 June 1855?: Doña Dolores Marques de Salazar, named Executrix

D F Newsome, Clerk Probate

3 Aug 1855: Doña Dolores Marques appointed Executrix

Will Mentions:

Doña Maria Sesaria

Doña Ma Gurtrudes ?

Doña Maria Asencion

Don Jose Davied [David?]

Doña Maria? Caselda

Doña Virginia

Doña Ma Tomasa

Other Names Appearing:

Don Victor Chaves [Debt?]

O M Brown [Debt?]

Dolores Marquis, Guardian

Cuñado Juan Marques

Witnesses to Will:

J Mariano Bonilla

J de Jesus Pico

Tomas Herrera [Thomas Herrera

Isidora Villa

Inventory Appraisers:

Ernest Romie,

Clements

Sanz & Augstine Garcia

Appears in will that there were many children predeceased.



Packet #10: Estate of Victor Linares  
5 June 1853: Will in Spanish [aka Vitor Linares]  
[Micuela "x" Could not write

25 Jun 1855: Will Filed  
Names Mentioned:  
Miguela Garcia de Linares [wife] named as sole Legatee and Executrix  
Victor left Will  
Name of Ranch is Rancho del Santa Fe  
27 August 1856: Final Distribution - Wife sole benefactor

Court Records:  
Pedro Linares named special Administrator  
D F Newsome, Probate Clerk  
Pedro Linares, Principal  
Pio Linares & Augustine Albarelli - \$1,000 Sureties

Pedro Linares says he is eldest son and that Miguela has wasted, mismanaged, and embezzled the chattels and effects, and has, without order of the Court, sold and dispersed of property consisting of cattle, etc. He asks that her letter of Administration be revoked. He says widow has been ill a long time and is incapable of managing affairs. That she is bedridden.

Pio Linares says his sister Eudrofila Linares, youngest child of Victor Linares, is a minor about 13 years of age. Asks Court to appoint a guardian inasmuch as she [Eudrofila] is now living with her mother who is sick and infirm and incapable, etc, and that the child's education is being utterly neglected.

Widow says Victor Linares died in the Count on or about 5 June 1853.

Names Mentioned:  
Miguela Garcia de Linares, Principal [aka Meguela Garcia y Linares]  
Guadalupe Olivera & Isidro Balderamos? - Sureties  
Jose Antonio de la Guerra  
Mohn Murray  
Jose Ma Somegro [Witnessed Will]  
R Hubbard  
R G Glenn, J P for 2<sup>nd</sup> twp, Co of SB

Debts:	
Manuel Ortega	Dr Hedden
Francisco Pires	Ignacio Fonte
Gregoria cordero	Jose Maria Chincase? Choncase?
Parker H French	Reyes
Juan Rios	Francisco Guares

Appraisers: Augustin Albarelli, Latapec & Augustine Garcia

Item:

Victor Linares was a Roman Catholic.

He married Doña Micuela Garcia de Linares

Their legitimate children are:

Pedro, Pio, Fernando, Augustino & Eudrofila

Witnesses:

Jose Mawson? Louseyso or Somegro?

Opeter Sanchez?

Jose Antonia Guerra

Antonio Obieta

John Burra ?

Ramon Fiaaroff?

Packet #11: Estate of Juan Rios

First believed to have died intestate but will discovered later

May 30 1856: Will filed

Valentin Rios showeth that his brother, Juan Rios, a resident of SLO died in SLO in the month of October AD 1855 intestate [last part of October]

"leaving property which has mostly come to the possession of Rafael Villavicencio [a?] and one Felipe Armas" and that these two are going to take out of the County cattle now on ranch of Rafael Villavicencio.

Valentin Rios, Special Administrator presents list of Juan Rios' personal property.

W J Graves, Attorney for Valentin Rios

Romaldo Pacheco, Probate Judge

Felipe Armes, Appraiser

Valentin Rios, Principal [Executor & Administrator]

Francisco Villa & W J Graves - Sureties

Juan de la Cruz Topia witnessed "x" Will, says Juan Rios executed Will "on account of many favors which he had received from Felipe Armis.

Francisco Barra was present at the time.

Valentin Gaxiola [signature: Gajiola?] sworn. Says he was told by the deceased that he had made Will and had given all to Romualdo Pacheco, Probate Judge.

Packet #12: Estate of John Matlock who died intestate 12 June 1858

Names:

Henry M Osgood, Coroner and Ex-Oficio Public Administrator [28 September 1858]

Record:

Henry M Osgood, Appointed Administrator

P A Femester? Clerk of Probate Court of SLO Co

Francisco Castro, Sheriff in Co of SO

Capt D P Mallagh

Claims:

Roman Peña

Bertolo Brizzolara

James White, J P, Acting as Coroner

W E Borland, Deputy Sheriff

Names:

Wm J Grace, Notary Public

Benjamin P Brown, purchased hogs

P O Minor

Tombstone ordered from SF and came by steamship "Senator" 3 July 1858

Packet #13: Estate of Edward Eversfield

Names:

Jose M Muños, Probate Judge of SLO Co

J J Simmler, appointed Special Administrator to Estate - 8 December 1857

J J Simmler, Principal [aka Jacob Simmler] Coroner. He also J P

Edward Eversfield found dead at the Cienega of the Branches, "came to his death at his own hands with a musket loaded with powder balls." Premeditated.

Coroner: B F Davenport

Names: Jury

George stone

Solano Rodigas [aka Rodrigues]

M W Perry

Seferino Carlon

Antonio M Feliz

Hosea R Via

Wm Brock

"\$3.00 for burring the corps and for digging grave" rec'd by James ? Wells "x"

Claims:

M Dougherty "x" presented claim. He purchased property of the deceased

James Roberts

Ch Varrain

F Branch

J J Simmler

J Wells

Packet #14: Estate of Vincente [aka Bicente] Canet "x" of the County of SLO, age 68 years. A Will presented.

May 10 1858: Proof of Will

Mentioned in Will:

Wife, Rosa Butron de "x" Canet, who is named Executrix, one-half of Rancho San Bernardo - 4440 acres - Value \$7,000.00; and one half of dwelling

Daughter, Rita flora Canet

Son, Blas Vincente Canet

Son, Jose Augustin Canet - the house of San Luicito, also named as one Executor

Daughter, Maria Soledad de Lertora

Daughter, Maria Ignacia Cacilda Canet

Witnesses to Will:

Dr Ed Albert

Francisco Lertora

Pedro Ruperez

James White - An Attorney - and he states the will was written by him at the Rancho of San Bernardo on 10 April 1858

10 May 1858: Names on court Record

P A Forrester, Clerk

Wm J Graves, Caimant

Gerome A Linass? - Appraiser

V A Limass - Appraiser

Guadalupe Cantua - Appraiser

Claimants:

Carnet [Canet] vs Mc Kinlay

Pedro Ruperez

[Ruperes]

Merihildo Mogsa [Merejildo Moisen?] Same?

Walter Murray, Esq - Attorney

Ed Albert

An Indian named Nicholas "for services as Vaquero"

Charles W Dana

Wm Mallagh

Record:

Valentina Canet asks Court for partial distribution of Estate

More Names:

Jno Whicher

Samuel M Dyer

Jose M Muños, Probate Judge of said County

Francisco Castro "scheriff"

16 May 1859:

Ignacio Esquer? Appointed Guardian of minor heirs

Statement:

Capt John Wilson married Doña Ramona, Widow of Don Ramualdo Pacheco

More Names:

Wm C Parker, Deputy

Wm E Borland, Under Sheriff

Joaquin Estrada at Santa Margarita

Romie & Co, at the Cueva

Statement:

20 April 1859

J J Simmler wants appointment as Administrator. Says the Widow, Rosa's appointment ceased by operation of law.

July Term 1858

Rosa, the Widow, says she is left with three infant children, to wit: José, Rita, Vicente

Heirs: Names:

"Soledad Lertora and Maria Ignacia Raggio, tow of the heirs of ... " Want Estate divided before Creditors, Great Value.

More Names:

Jose Cantua & Jerome A Limass - Appraisers

Court at first gave Rosa \$5,000 and p.p. And \$50.00 a month for care of herself and the children.

April Term 1858

Statement: Rosa Butron de Canet says Vincente Canet died 11 April 1858 leaving widow and 6 children: to wit [Note] Louise lined out the above two lines of cursive.

Soledad, aged 28 years

Mara Ygnacia, aged 25 years

Joaquin, aged 23 years

Jose, age 18 & who is incompetent to act as Administrator due to being under 21 years.

Rita, age 16 years

Vicente, age 13 years

19 March 1894: In same Packet xxxx

[Valentina is surviving wife of Jose Canet who died 21 November 1888 in SLO Co.]

Petition of Valentina Canet shows that Vicente Canet died in said County on or about 29 April 1858 leaving widow Rosa Canet and 6 children:

Soledad Canet

Maria Ygnacia Raggio [alive]

Jose Canet [Wants land left Vicente's son]

Rita Soto [alive]

Vincente Canet

Statement:

"All dead, including widow, with the exception of JJ Simmler as Administrator with will of Vicente

Canet"

In same Packet:

Jose Canet's Will

"to Widow, Valentina Canet, during her life. After her death to Juan Jose, Vicente, Francisco, Elisa, Rita, Daniel, George, Juan Eduardo, Isabel", all children of Jose Canet.

Court Statement:

"cannot mortgage", etc. "until Isabel Canet attains her majority.

Statement:

That Jose Canet from first of January 1858 to his death 21 November 1888 was in exclusive possession of said real property [Rancho San Bernardo]. Widow asks for distribution of Vincent Canet's property.

Names: Graves and Graves, Attorney's

Statement: [Re-marriage]

Says Vicente Canet left all said Estate to Widow Rosa Butron de Canet now Rosa Butron de Simmler, Maria Ignacia Raggio, Soledad Lertora, Joaquin Canet, José Augustin Canet, Rita Canet & Vicente Canet.

Statement:

Rosa Butron de Canet married J J Simmler on 29 March AD 1859 whereby her authority as Executrix ceased leaving Estate un-administered. [Note, Mr Simmler's full name was Jean Jacques Simmler]

Statement:

That Jose Augustin Canet, the Co-Executor of said Estate is now 19 years old. J J Simmler says that Rosa wants [Simmler] him to administer.

A legal description of the land contained in Rancho San Bernardo is given at lenth.

Names:

JJ Simmler, Principal

Thomas Graves - Bonded \$ 7,170

Charles Pellerier - Bonded \$ 7,170

Ferdinand Quebriensk ? - Bonded \$ 7,170

Gerome A Limass - Bonded \$ 7,170

Statement:

Rosa says she was married to J J Simmler.

Statement witnessed by Alexander Murray

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Also in the Packet is a letter from Mrs C A Jackson [Mrs Perdita Jackson]

353 So Linwood Drive

Bountiful, Utah

The letter is dated 20 February 1964 and asks for a copy of the Death Certificate and copy of the

Will.

Packet #15: Estate of Francisca Garcia

Will written in Spanish

16 August 1858

Will presented to Court by Juan Comapla [res of SLO, and a Catholic Clergyman] and Inovente Garcia.

They ask permission to administer Will.

They are named as executors; principals.

Names in Court Record:

Francisco Castro, Sheriff of Co

Wm Borland, Under "Sherff"

P A Forester, Clerk of Probate Court

Jose Col [has fancy Col...] Note: Surname is not found anywhere else in hand-written notes]

Maria Antonia Ortega, res of SLO

Thomas Herraro & Julian Garcia - Appraisers

Statement:

On July 22 1858, Juan Comapla wrote Garcia's Will.

[Could not find date of death in packet]

Information typed: 29 November 2012

Martha A Crosley Graham

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