

OCCGS Civil War Veteran's Project

Veteran's Information

Veteran's Name: Mark Alonzo PENNEY

Birth Date: 8 July 1838

Location: New Gloucester, Cumberland County, Maine

Death Date: 29 February 1928

Location: Orange County, California

Buried at: Evergreen Memorial Park & Mausoleum, Riverside County, California

Service: UNION

Rank: FIREMAN, 2nd Class

Navy – USS Canandaigua

Occupation: Farmer

Family Information

Parents –

Father: Mark Penney

Birth Date/Location: 7 July 1793, Cumberland County, Maine

Death Date/Location: 8 January 1889, New Gloucester, Cumberland County, Maine

Mother: Sally Parsons Whitham

Birth Date/Location: 5 December 1811, Cumberland County, Maine

Death Date/Location: 12 January 1855, New Gloucester, Cumberland County, Maine

Spouse: Mary J Brown

Birth Date / Location: 1841, New Hampshire

Death Date/Location: 1887, Riverside County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 11 August 1865, Lawrence County, Massachusetts

Children: None

Spouse: Ella A Armstrong

Birth Date / Location: 17 March 1839, Warren County, Ohio

Death Date/Location: 12 January 1927, Orange County, California

Marriage Date / Location: 1890, California

Children: None

Additional Information

Mark Alonzo Penney enlisted as a Fireman 2nd Class on the USS Canandaigua on 18 June 1862 and was discharged on 17 May 1865. He also served on the USS Ohio. He applied for Pension as a Navy Invalid on 9 August 1892.

Mark Penney's father was a veteran of the War of 1812

In 1904 Mark Penney was attributed to having the first automobile in Huntington Beach. It was described as a big black touring car that could hurdle along the 'boulevards' equipped as it was with tires made of eucalyptus blocks.

Sources

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- Record for Mark Penney and Sally P Witham

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- Record for Mark A Penney and M Jennie Brown

Maine Birth Records, 1715-1922. Augusta, Maine: Maine State Archives. Maine Birth Records, 1715-1922, Maine State Archives, Augusta, Maine.

- Record for Mark A Penney, Mother: Sally Penney, Father: Mark Penney

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- Record for M A Penney
- Record for Ella A Penney

Find A Grave, database and images - <https://www.findagrave.com>

- Memorial 7235859, Created by Michael S Emmett, Record for Mark A Penney
- Memorial 7567842, Created by Michael S Emmett, Record for Jennie Penney
- Memorial 7567844, Created by Michael S Emmett, Record for Ella A Penney
- Memorial 57507361, Created by Will Haskell, Record for Mark Penney
- Memorial 57507401, Created by Will Haskell, Record for Sally Parsons *Witham* Penney

The San Bernardino County Sun, San Bernardino, California, Sunday, April 27, 1924, Pg 21, Col 2

- Horseless Carriage of Twenty Years Ago Used Eucalyptus Tire

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Thursday, March 1, 1928, Section 2, Pg 13, Col 6

- Two Pioneers of Huntington Beach Called By Death – Record for Mark A Penney

Santa Ana Register, Santa Ana, California, Friday, March 2, 1928, Section 2, Pg 15, Col 8

- Pioneer of H. B. Is Laid To Rest – Record for Mark A Penney