

The Gold Rush

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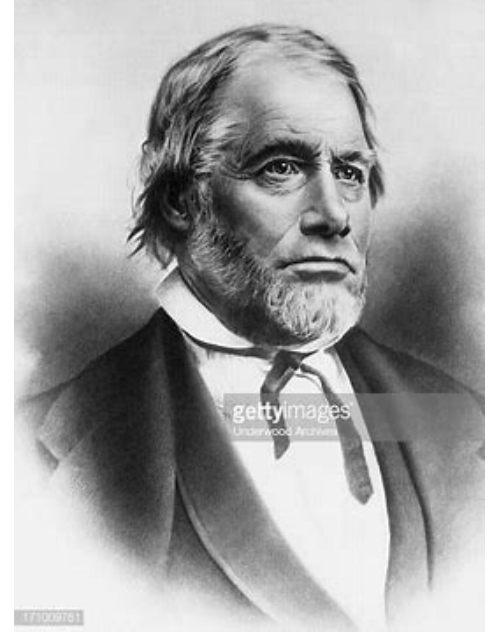


Who started the Gold Rush?

On January 8, 1848 James W. Marshall overseeing the construction of a sawmill at Sutter's Mill **literally struck gold!**

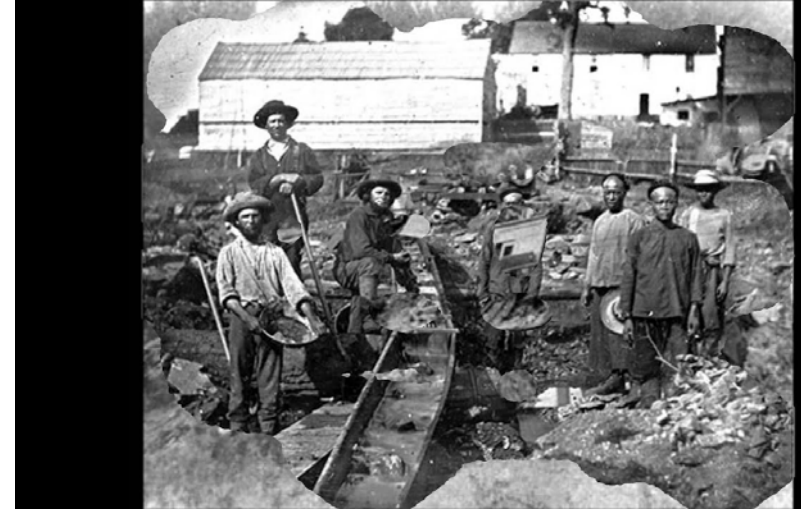
His discovery of gold was a big reason to California being like it is today.

The Gold Rush would change California forever.



All about the Gold Rush.

In 1848 the discovery of gold in California prompted 300,000 people to go into the country to find and claim it . These people were called forty Niners (because of the year they came into America (1849). This massive migration transformed the population and landscape of California. The Gold Rush also caused brutal fights between Settlers , Miners and Native Americans over land.



A bit about forty Niners.

Arriving in covered wagons, clipper ships and on horse back. Some forty Niners staked claims on spots of land all around the river, where they used pans to extract gold from silt deposits.



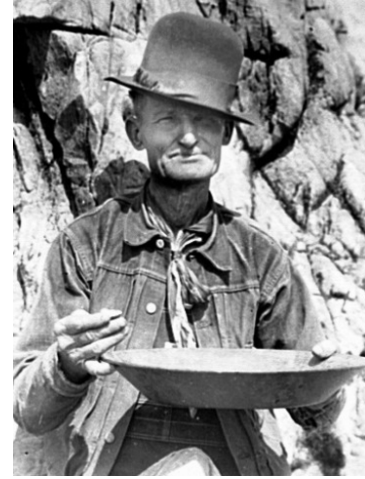
Forty Niners clothing.

MEN

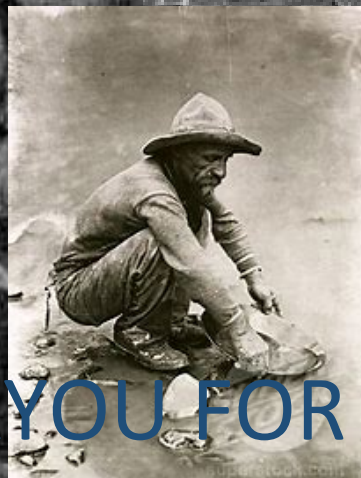
European miners wore loose fitting trousers or Levis jeans with a loose fitting shirt and strong mining boots.

WOMAN

Women wore long dresses and shawls.



Henry Hunter, daughter Mary Bulger and family, 1903; l. to r. Maude



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