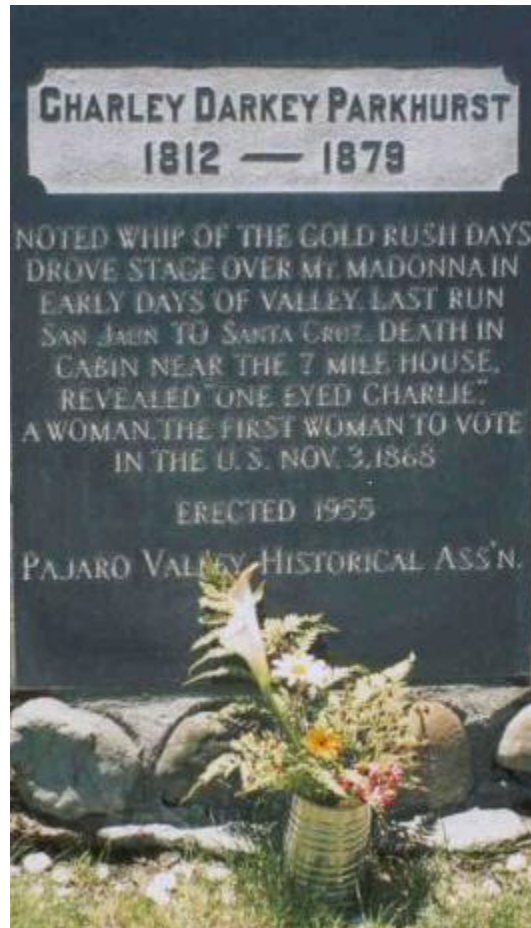


“CHARLEY” PARKHURST (CHARLOTTE PARKHURST)



1812



Charlotte Darkey Parkhurst (“[Charley](#)” [Parkhurst](#)) was born in New Hampshire. After being raised as an orphan, she would run away to Worcester by posing as a boy, and would then for the rest of her life work with horses while passing herself off as a man, “Charley” Parkhurst.

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1840

At some point during the 1840s, [“Charley” Parkhurst](#), 5 foot 7 inches and wiry, would move from Worcester, Massachusetts to [Providence, Rhode Island](#) and become a coachman to the upscale swells of that vicinity.





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Table of Altitudes






Yoda	2' 0 "
Lavinia Warren	2' 8 "
Tom Thumb, Jr.	3' 4 "
Lucy (Australopithecus Afarensis)	3' 8 "
Hervé Villechaize (“Fantasy Island”)	3' 11"
Charles Proteus Steinmetz	4' 0 "
Mary Moody Emerson per FBS (1)	4' 3 "
Alexander Pope	4' 6 "
Benjamin Lay	4' 7 "
Gary Coleman (“Arnold Jackson”)	4' 8 "
Queen Victoria with osteoporosis	4' 8 "
Queen Victoria as adult	4' 10 "
Margaret Mitchell	4' 10 "
length of newer military musket	4' 10"
Charlotte Brontë	4' 10-11"
Harriet Beecher Stowe	4' 11"
Laura Ingalls Wilder	4' 11"
a rather tall adult Pygmy male	4' 11"
John Keats	5' 0 "
Clara Barton	5' 0 "
Isambard Kingdom Brunel	5' 0 "
Andrew Carnegie	5' 0 "
Thomas de Quincey	5' 0 "
Stephen A. Douglas	5' 0 "
Danny DeVito	5' 0 "
Immanuel Kant	5' 0 "
William Wilberforce	5' 0 "
Mae West	5' 0 "
Mother Teresa	5' 0 "
Deng Xiaoping	5' 0 "
Dred Scott	5' 0 " (±)
Captain William Bligh of HMS <i>Bounty</i>	5' 0 " (±)
Harriet Tubman	5' 0 " (±)
Mary Moody Emerson per FBS (2)	5' 0 " (±)
John Brown of Providence, Rhode Island	5' 0 " (+)
Bette Midler	5' 1 "
Jemmy Button	5' 2 "
Margaret Mead	5' 2 "
R. Buckminster “Bucky” Fuller	5' 2 "



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	Yuri Gagarin the astronaut	5' 2"
	William Walker	5' 2"
	Horatio Alger, Jr.	5' 2"
	length of older military musket	5' 2"
	the artist formerly known as Prince	5' 2 ¹ / ₂ "
	typical female of Thoreau's period	5' 2 ¹ / ₂ "
	Francis of Assisi	5' 3"
	Voltaire	5' 3"
	Mohandas Gandhi	5' 3"
	Sammy Davis, Jr.	5' 3"
	Kahlil Gibran	5' 3"
	Friend Daniel Ricketson	5' 3"
	The Reverend Gilbert White	5' 3"
	Nikita Khrushchev	5' 3"
	Sammy Davis, Jr.	5' 3"
	Truman Capote	5' 3"
	Kim Jong Il (North Korea)	5' 3"
	Stephen A. “Little Giant” Douglas	5' 4"
	Francisco Franco	5' 4"
	President James Madison	5' 4"
	Iosef Vissarionovich Dzugashvili “Stalin”	5' 4"
	Alan Ladd	5' 4"
	Pablo Picasso	5' 4"
	Truman Capote	5' 4"
	Queen Elizabeth	5' 4"
	Ludwig van Beethoven	5' 4"
	Typical Homo Erectus	5' 4"
	typical Neanderthal adult male	5' 4 ¹ / ₂ "
	Alan Ladd	5' 4 ¹ / ₂ "
	<i>comte de Buffon</i>	5' 5" (-)
	Captain Nathaniel Gordon	5' 5"
	Charles Manson	5' 5"
	Audie Murphy	5' 5"
	Harry Houdini	5' 5"
	Hung Hsiu-ch'üan 洪秀全	5' 5"
	Marilyn Monroe	5' 5 ¹ / ₂ "
	T.E. Lawrence “of Arabia”	5' 5 ¹ / ₂ "
	average runaway male American slave	5' 5-6"
	Charles Dickens	5' 6?"
	President Benjamin Harrison	5' 6"





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	President Martin Van Buren	5' 6"
	James Smithson	5' 6"
	Louisa May Alcott	5' 6"
	Johann Wolfgang von Goethe	5' 6 ¹ / ₂ "
	Napoleon Bonaparte	5' 6 ¹ / ₂ "
	Emily Brontë	5' 6-7"
	Henry Wadsworth Longfellow	5' ?"
	average height, seaman of 1812	5' 6.85"
	Oliver Reed Smoot, Jr.	5' 7"
	minimum height, British soldier	5' 7"
	President John Adams	5' 7"
	President John Quincy Adams	5' 7"
	President William McKinley	5' 7"
	“Charley” Parkhurst (a female)	5' 7"
	Ulysses S. Grant	5' 7"
	Henry Thoreau	5' 7"
	the average male of Thoreau's period	5' 7 ¹ / ₂ "
	Edgar Allan Poe	5' 8"
	President Ulysses S. Grant	5' 8"
	President William H. Harrison	5' 8"
	President James Polk	5' 8"
	President Zachary Taylor	5' 8"
	average height, soldier of 1812	5' 8.35"
	President Rutherford B. Hayes	5' 8 ¹ / ₂ "
	President Millard Fillmore	5' 9"
	President Harry S Truman	5' 9"
	President Jimmy Carter	5' 9 ¹ / ₂ "
	Herman Melville	5' 9 ³ / ₄ "
	Calvin Coolidge	5' 10"
	Andrew Johnson	5' 10"
	Theodore Roosevelt	5' 10"
	Thomas Paine	5' 10"
	Franklin Pierce	5' 10"
	Abby May Alcott	5' 10"
	Reverend Henry C. Wright	5' 10"
	Nathaniel Hawthorne	5' 10 ¹ / ₂ "
	Louis “Deerfoot” Bennett	5' 10 ¹ / ₂ "
	Friend John Greenleaf Whittier	5' 10 ¹ / ₂ "
	President Dwight D. Eisenhower	5' 10 ¹ / ₂ "
	Sojourner Truth	5' 11"
	President Grover Cleveland	5' 11"



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President Herbert Hoover	5' 11"
President Woodrow Wilson	5' 11"
President Jefferson Davis	5' 11"
President Richard M. Nixon	5' 11 ¹ / ₂ "
Robert Voorhis the hermit of Rhode Island	< 6'
Frederick Douglass	6' (-)
Anthony Burns	6' 0"
Waldo Emerson	6' 0"
Joseph Smith, Jr.	6' 0"
David Walker	6' 0"
Sarah F. Wakefield	6' 0"
Thomas Wentworth Higginson	6' 0"
President James Buchanan	6' 0"
President Gerald R. Ford	6' 0"
President James Garfield	6' 0"
President Warren Harding	6' 0"
President John F. Kennedy	6' 0"
President James Monroe	6' 0"
President William H. Taft	6' 0"
President John Tyler	6' 0"
John Brown	6' 0 (+)"
President Andrew Jackson	6' 1"
Alfred Russel Wallace	6' 1"
President Ronald Reagan	6' 1"
Venture Smith	6' 1 ¹ / ₂ "
John Camel Heenan	6' 2"
Crispus Attucks	6' 2"
President Chester A. Arthur	6' 2"
President George Bush, Senior	6' 2"
President Franklin D. Roosevelt	6' 2"
President George Washington	6' 2"



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Gabriel Prosser	6' 2"
Dangerfield Newby	6' 2"
Charles Augustus Lindbergh	6' 2"
President Bill Clinton	6' 2 ¹ / ₂ "
President Thomas Jefferson	6' 2 ¹ / ₂ "
President Lyndon B. Johnson	6' 3"
Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.	6' 3"
Richard "King Dick" Seaver	6' 3 ¹ / ₄ "
President Abraham Lincoln	6' 4"
Marion Morrison (AKA John Wayne)	6' 4"
Elisha Reynolds Potter, Senior	6' 4"
Thomas Cholmondeley	6' 4" (?)
Franklin Benjamin Sanborn	6' 5"
Peter the Great of Russia	6' 7"
Giovanni Battista Belzoni	6' 7"
Thomas Jefferson (the statue)	7' 6"
Jefferson Davis (the statue)	7' 7"
Martin Van Buren Bates	7' 11 ¹ / ₂ "
M. Bihin, a Belgian exhibited in Boston in 1840	8'
Anna Haining Swan	8' 1"





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1849

Not just every lady in Amherst was locking herself in her room, because in this year Louise “Shirley” Clappe of Amherst, Massachusetts went off to California with her husband, Dr. Fayette Clappe, to provide medical care to the miners at Rich Bar on the Feather River:

In the short space of twenty-four days, we have had murders, fearful accidents, bloody deaths, a mob, whippings, a hanging, an attempt at suicide, and a fatal duel.

“... and a fatal duel” — For a period in California dueling would be a major source of public entertainment and private grief.¹ Dueling was regional, like the chewing of tobacco; it was associated with the South. However, an interesting exception is the association of dueling with the gold rush in California, because Southerners there played a dominant role. Although only 17% of the white population of California in 1850 had been born in a slave state, and although this might seem a relatively small %age of the population, among all the Northern states and territories this was second only to the Oregon Territory.²

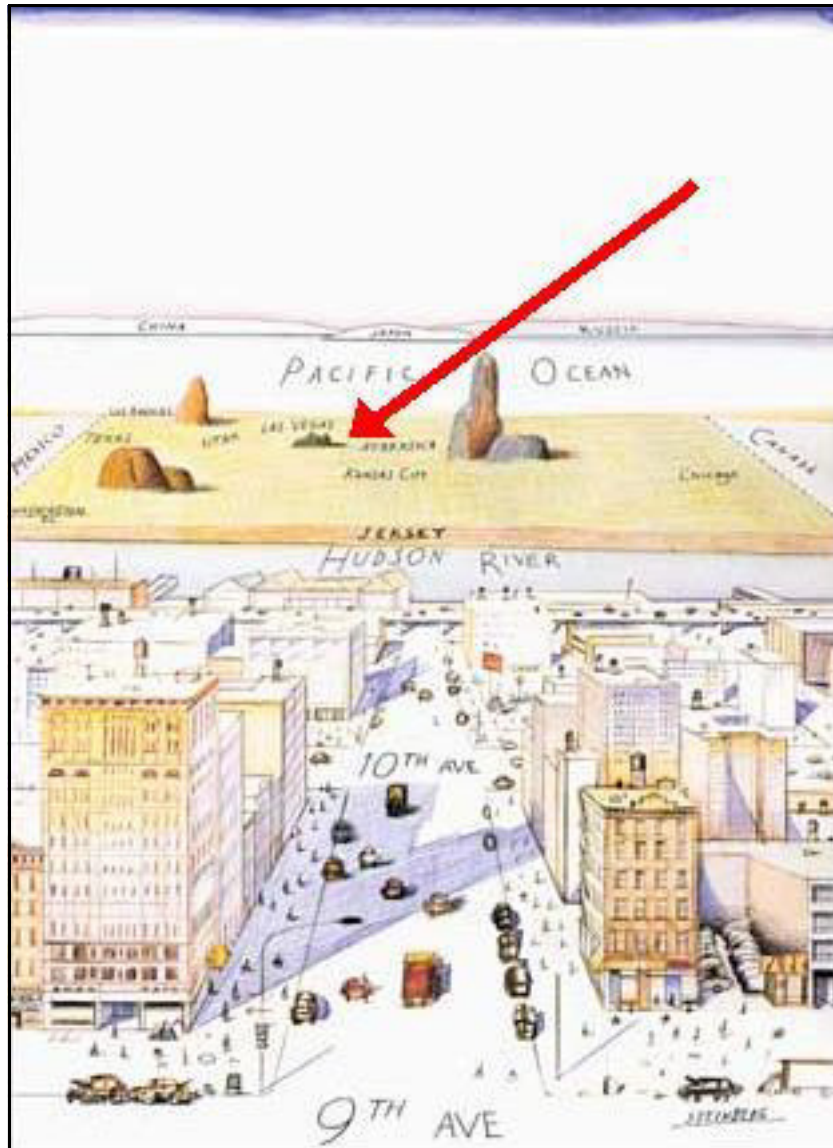
“Charley” Parkhurst went to California and got a job driving for the California Stage Lines. At some point she would lose an eye after being kicked by one of her horses.

1. Secrest, William B. BLOOD AND HONOR (Fresno CA: Saga-West Publishing Company, 1970, pages 3ff)

2. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE CENSUS FOR DECEMBER 1, 1852 (Washington: Robert Armstrong, 1853, pages 16-19)

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1860

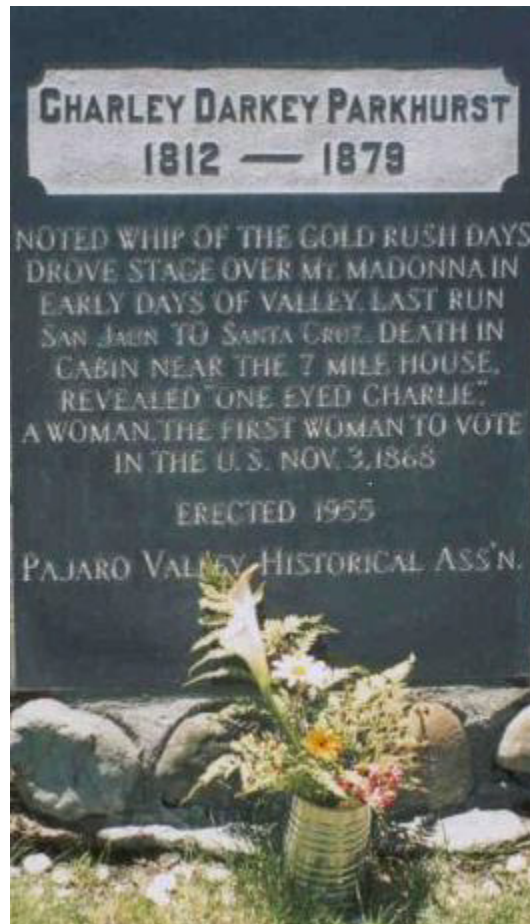
During the decade of the 1860s in California, ["Charley" Parkhurst](#) did something she very rarely did, she got drunk one night with her boss Andrew Clark. Putting her to bed in his house, pulling her clothing off her [drunken](#) body, her boss discovered that his stage driver was a woman. Well, but he kept her secret.

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1868

November 3, Tuesday: [“Charley” Parkhurst](#), still driving a California stagecoach as a man’s man, still as tough as nails despite the loss of one eye to the kick of a horse, registered and voted as “Charles D. Parkhurst, age 55, born in New Hampshire and a farmer.” (She thus made herself the 1st woman presently known to have voted in a US national election.)

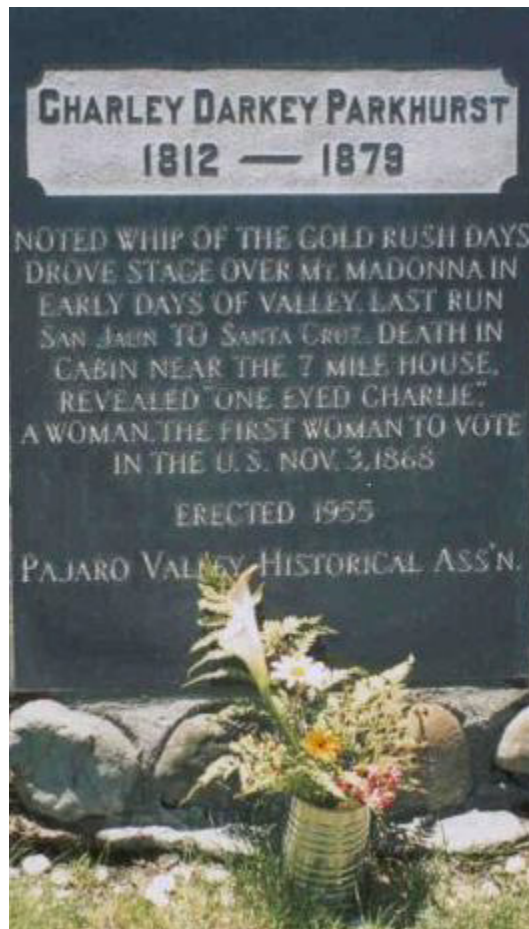


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1879

December 29, Monday: The body of “Charley” Parkhurst was discovered in her California cabin after she had died of tongue cancer evidently induced by her lifelong constant indulgent in manly cigars and chewing tobacco. Preparing her body for burial, her gender was revealed for the 2d time. In the cabin, in a trunk, was a pair of baby shoes and a little red dress — could this have been what she had worn as a child in New Hampshire in the 1810s, before she had run away from the orphanage disguised as a boy?





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“It’s all now you see. Yesterday won’t be over until tomorrow and tomorrow began ten thousand years ago.”

– Remark by character “Garin Stevens”
in William Faulkner’s INTRUDER IN THE DUST



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