

## Richard Frederick Beck and the Cornelius Dalve Families

Richard Beck was a native of Flensburg, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. He was born in 1841. He became a sailor and came to San Francisco on a ship from which he departed and did not return on the ship's departure. After living in San Francisco for awhile, he sent back to Germany for Christina Scharrenberg who was born in 1845 in Neustadt in Holstein, Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. The two



*Frederick Beck*

were married in San Francisco in 1872 where they produced several children before Christina passed away in 1884 from tuberculosis and was buried in plot 9B, in Union Cemetery. She left behind, as well as her husband, 5 children, the children were, Frederika, Louisa Beck, Louis Beck,

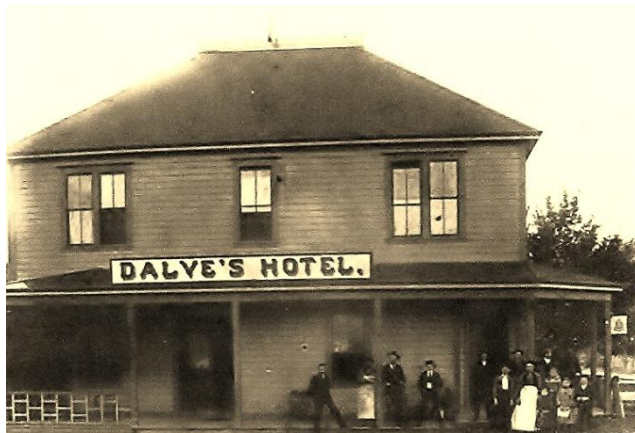


*Christina  
Louisa  
Scharrenberg*

Julius Beck and William Beck.

Fred sent for her sister Susanna Scharrenberg who came to Redwood City, she came to help take care of the children. After a short a period of time Susanna met Cornelius Dalve who lived in Woodside. The two married and eventually Cornelius purchased the market building built by Claus Hadler and turned it into what he called, the Dalve Hotel, (which we call today the Pioneer Hotel at the corner of Woodside Road and whiskey Hill Road).

Cornelius and Susanna kept busy with their growing family, eventually the couple brought ten children into the world.



*The Dalve Hotel at Woodside Road & Whiskey Hill Road.*

Frederick Henrich Volkman was born in Hanover, Germany on July 31, 1862, the son of a blacksmith. During this period Hanover was part of Austria until 1866 and Bismark's

adventures. Frederick Volkman was the oldest son and he decided to come to the United States because he was going to be resented when Dad gave him the blacksmith business over his brothers because of the progenitor law required at the time. Frederick arrived in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1884 and took up the blacksmith trade. He traveled to California arriving in San Francisco in 1888 and taking up his trade there. He soon changed to the bar tender's trade and was working in that capacity at 7<sup>th</sup> and Market. While he was working at the bar he met Fredreka (known as Reka) Beck and the two married eventually. Thus the Eldest of the Becks children was married off.

The second child, Louis, born in 1875, lived a long and valuable life, dying at age 65 years in 1907 and being buried in plot 9B. Julius was born in 1876 and was the third child of Frederick and Christina, he lived until 1917. Frederick Beck was born in 1878 and died in 1892. All these children were buried in plot 9B in Union Cemetery. There was another son, William who was born in 1880 and died in 1882 who was buried in 9B as well.

Susanna Beck Dalve, Cornelius' wife worked at the Dalve Hotel for many many years following his death.