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Sub: CA-LA-Long Beach-"Parker House Cannon"-7" M L Rifled Cannon  
Parrott type

Greetings Mrs. Chodyniecki,

I just noticed that your email address was a bit changed so may have to forward the email again for this morning. I hope the above address will get this packet to you. Please let me know by email if the packet arrives.

The following information has been found in the field since my last packet dated 22 September 2007 and hard copies are forwarded for your files and use:

Transfer information, War Department, Chief of Ordnance, WA to GAR Post #181, Aug 3 1915.

Transfer of Ordnance Property, Benicia to Jas. R. Milner (GAR) in Long Beach, no date, some time in after 3 Aug. 1915 and prior to 6 Dec 1915.

News paper article Dec. 6 1915. Gun was at Depot on this date and much history included in the article.

Note sheet from the Long Beach Library. The Lincoln Statue were dedicated 3 July 1915. No date given for mounting or dedication of cannon.

Article, Circa 1989, CIVIL WAR CANNON by Dave Denevan

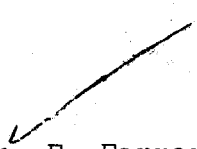
This information should fill in some of the gray areas, thanks to the research efforts of Floyd Farrar, General Sedgwick-Granger Camp #17, Dept. CA & Pac., SUVCW.

Respectfully,



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CA-LA-Long Beach-"Parker House Cannon"-7" M.L. Rifle  
Cannon, Parrott type.

**Loan Authorization**

**FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS. Ser. I. Chs. 225-227-230-231, 1896**  
**Pgs 133-34**

**Cap. 231.**-An Act to authorize the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to make certain dispositions of condemned ordnance, guns, and cannon balls in their respective Departments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy are each hereby authorized, in their discretion, to loan or give to soldiers' monuments associations, posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, and municipal corporations, condemned ordnance, guns, and cannon balls which may not be needed in the service of either of said Departments. Such loan or gift shall be made subject to rules and regulations covering the same in each Department, and the Government shall be at no expense in connection with any such loan or gift.

Approved, May 22, 1896

**SIXTY-THIRD CONGRESS. Sess. III. Ch. 178 1915,**  
**page 1212**

LONG Beach, Cal. Grand Army Post.

To Long each Post, Numbered One hundred and eighty-one, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of California and Nevada, a cannon or fieldpiece, with its carriage and suitable outfit of cannon balls, not needed for present service;

Provisos.

*PROVIDED,* That no expense shall be incurred by the United States through the delivery of any of the foregoing condemned military equipment: *And provided further,* That each and every article of condemned military equipment covered by this act shall be subject at all times to the order of the Secretary of War.

Approved, March 4, 1915

The foregoing information was selected from copies of original Congressional Record pages provided by email through the assistance of Mrs. Rebecca L, Chodynieski, and courtesy of the U.S. Army Static Display Unit, 1 May 2008.

This presentation by Kirby R. Morgan, Memorials Officer, Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1 May 2008.