

9° But then came the Big Fires of 1850-51-52 - "the May Fires", and you will find in volume 6 - page 189 and others, of the Bancroft History of (San Francisco and California), that the several Warehouses of the firm, DeBoon, Gisan and Co. also vessels of theirs, in the docks were destroyed there.

10° In 1864 Cornelius DeBoon left San Francisco for Europe, where his mother (my Grand mother) could not live any longer, without seeing Him again. After her death, he made two more Business visits Here, but he kept his Country-Residence near Paris "Open" to his California Friends "always".

11° When the Franco-German War of 1870 broke out, and William was made "Emperor" at the Palace of Versailles, 12 of the Best known Americans, were sent from Paris, to implore the German Emperor, then at the "Ferrieres Castle", "not to destroy" or to bombard the City of Paris - But Bismark said "no"; Cornelius DeBoon was a member of said Deputation, and I have in my possession the "Passport" delivered by the United States Legation of Paris - He died during the Siege of Paris.

Very Respectfully yours
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