Captain Kazimierz (Casimir) Bielawski
4 March [name day] [Born 25 Feb or 27 Feb] 1815–18 (or 19) (or 1807) – 8 March 1905

Born 4 March 1815, Galicia, Austrian-occupied Poland
a former captain of military engineers in the Austrian army in 1846;
quit Austrian Poland after “the terrible massacre of landowners” in 1846;
sent an address to the congress in Berlin, Germany, demanding the restoration of Poland. Organized American financial assistance for the Uprising in the 1860s;
Friend of Sienkiewicz, Julian Horain, and Helena Modrzejewska; man of integrity

1844  Built fort in Venice
Dem Hauptmann Bielawski war eine sehr schwierige Aufgabe übertragen worden. ... bei den Fortineations-Local-Directiouen in den respectiven festen Plätzen, Verona, Mantua, Peschiera und Legnago ohnehin angestellt und commandiert, ...

To captain Bielawski had been transferred a very difficult task. ... employed by the Fortifications projects-- Verona, Mantua, Peschiera and Legnano

1846  Witnessed the massacre at Galicia

1850 Arrived in the USA

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About 1853-1854: arrived in California
1854: Steamship Golden Gate

Started working for the Surveyor General in San Francisco

1856

1857: **Naturalized, 26 May 1857:**

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Name: Casimir Bielawski

Event Type: **Naturalization**

Event Date: **1857**

Birthplace: Austria

Affiliate Publication Title: Index to Naturalization in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, 1852-CA 1989
C.P Masters, Witness #1. And Mr. Vackenrender, Witness #2

Vincent/Witus/Victor Wackenreuder, Witness #2
June 30, 1857

San Francisco California

Hon. Lewis Cass
Secretary of State
of the United States

Sir,

In this year 1850 I held the Commission of Captain of Engineers in the Austrian Army. While on leave of absence, I visited the United States, and determined to become an American Citizen. Enclosed are certified copies of my naturalization papers.

The Austrian Government refuses to accept my resignation unless I sign the usual ‘Quittungsscheine’—a paper in which all military benefits, pensions, etc., are renounced and by which the signer binds himself never to fight against the Archducal House of Austria or their Allies or in any way to afford aid or assistance to their enemies.

Convinced the latter condition to be incompatible with my oath and obligations as an American Citizen, I cannot, of course, comply with it, and my failure to appear at the expiration of my term of leave, subjects me to the penalties of the Austrian laws.

I have therefore respectfully requested your aid in my behalf, so as to enable me to visit my relations in Europe.

If the Charge d'Affaires of the United States at Vienna could procure from the Austrian Government, the acceptance of my resignation and formal discharge from the Austrian service, I could accomplish the desired object without annoyance.

If, on the other hand, I visit Austria without such unconditional discharge, all the rigors of the law would be inflicted upon me, and it might give rise to difficulty on the part of this Government to protect my rights as an American Citizen.

I have the honor to be
Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant
Casimir Bielawski

[Signature]

M. S. Disd. Lab.
May 8, 1857
1857: Charles and Maria Clark to USA (perhaps) but age is off for Charles (could be 29 vs. 19)

Charles Clark = soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark

1859

Charles Clark = soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark

1860 Census Maria Clark (future wife) and her then-husband Charles Clark and Kazimierz Bielawski, SF
According to this record, Charles was born in 1829 and Maria was born in 1828.

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**Birthplace** Poland

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1861 Soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark
1862  Living with his soon-to-be-wife’s 1st husband, Charles H. Clark
Meeting of the Polish Association.—The friends of Poland held a meeting last evening at their head- quarters, corner of Montgomery and Bush streets, which was very largely attended. Corvin Piotrowsky called the meeting to order. Carl Blasowski was elected Chairman and J. W. Andrzejowski Secretary. A report of the doings of the Executive Polish Committee for this coast was read and adopted. Communications were read from delegates at the East and placed on file. Addresses were made by J. W. Andrzejowski, Joseph Newman, G. Valinien, J. Wolfson, Corvin Piotrowsky and others. A good deal of enthusiasm was excited, a handsome collection taken up, and arrangements made to induce further subscription.
1865 [Maria Clark is listed as a widow in 1865]

DEATHS.

In this city, April 22d, William T. Bryan, son of the late Thomas Bryan of Dunmanway, and grandson of the late Samuel Bateman of Clonakilly, Ireland, aged 21 years.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his mother Mrs. Nicholas Reynolds, corner of Powell and Filbert streets, to morrow (Tuesday) at 1 o'clock P.M. without further notice.

At Chino, Alameda county, April 22d, of apoplexy, Charles Henry Clark, a native of Ipswich, Suffolk county, England, aged 41 years.

In Clinton, Alameda county, April 22d, Charles Henry Clark, a native of Ipswich, Suffolk county, England, aged 41 yrs.

Possible, though age is off by 5 years
(she became Bielawski’s wife)
1865. — New Railroad Map of California. Compiled by C. Bielawski, J. D. Hoffman and A. Poett, civil engineers

1866

Name: Casimer Billwski
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 26 Jun 1866
Event Year Range: 1816
Event Place: 1615 Clay, San Francisco, California, United States
Age: 50
Birth Year (Estimated): 1816
Birthplace: Austria
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Name: Casimir Bielawski
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 26 Jun 1866
Event Year Range: 1816
Event Place: 422 Stevenson, San Francisco, California, United States
Age: 50
Birth Year (Estimated): 1816
Birthplace: Austria

November 1866

In this city, 1st inst., by the Rev. F. Mooshake, Casimir Bielawski to Maria Clark, both of San Francisco.
Germans started flocking to the San Francisco Bay area during the gold rush of 1849. The dedication of the present church building in 1895 marked three decades of effort by German immigrants to establish Lutheranism in California. Rev. Frederick Mooshake from Goettingen University arrived in 1849 to minister to the immigrants. Initially, services were held in homes, then in the Congregational Church of Christ, which was later bought by Rev. Mooshake and his followers, and the First German Evangelical Lutheran Church was formed in 1859.

First German Evangelical Church

| Bielawski, Casimir | 50 | Austria | Draughtsman | 422 Stevenson | 10 | May 26, 1857 | San Francisco | U.S. Dist |

1866 marriage of the widow, Mrs. Charles H. Clark, and Kazimierz Bielawski)
U. S. Surveyor-General.

SHERMAN DAY, Surveyor-General.
Office 320 Sansom. Office hours from ten o'clock
A. M. to four o'clock P. M.
Frank H. Skinner, Clerk of Records; Rufus C.
Hopkins, Keeper of Archives; J. H. Wilkes, C.
Bielański, and R. Gibson, Draftsman; George
Chambers, Messenger.

Answer.—My name is Casimir Bielański; my age is fifty-five
years; I am a civil engineer and draughtsman, and reside in the
city of San Francisco, California.

Interrogatory 2d.—Are you connected with the office of the
Surveyor-General of the United States for the State of Califor-
nia; and if so, please state in what capacity and how long have
you been so connected?

Answer.—I am now, and have been since February, eighteen
hundred and fifty-four, (1854) with two intermissions, connected
with that office in the capacity of draughtsman, and during the
greater portion of that time I was principal draughtsman.

Interrogatory 3d.—How long and when were the intermissions
you speak of?

Answer.—The first intermission was for about six months, be-
ingin in the latter part of the year 1858, and the other for
about one year and a half, beginning in the summer of 1862.

Interrogatory 4th.—Since you have been connected with the
office of the Surveyor-General, as you have stated, have you al-
ways had free access to the papers of that office?

Answer.—I have. The maps of the office were under my special
charge while I was principal draughtsman.

Interrogatory 5th.—Since you have been connected with the
office of the Surveyor-General, as you have stated, have you al-
ways had free access to the papers of that office?

Answer.—I have. The maps of the office were under my special
charge while I was principal draughtsman.

Interrogatory 5th.—Did you, ever, as draughtsman in that office,
make a map or plat of a survey, or pretended survey, of the
Panoche Grande Grant, so-called?

Answer.—I did.

Interrogatory 6th.—Please state when, and at whose request,
you made it, and all the particulars in regard to the making of
it.

Answer.—I made it in September, 1863, under the order of E.
F. Beale, the Surveyor-General. I made it from the field notes
made it out of office hours, and as extra work, and was paid
for it by William McGarrah.
Interrogatory 7th.—Please state any further facts within your knowledge in connection with this map or plat and said survey.

Answer.—In examining the field notes of survey from which I compiled this plat, I found that one-half of the corners of the exterior boundaries of said grant had not been established by the Deputy Surveyor on the ground, and for this reason I wrote in pencil on the map, when finished, my remarks to that effect, and advised that the surveys should not be approved. I then handed the plan to Mr. William McGarrah, who submitted the same to Mr. Beale for inspection. Mr. Beale overruled my objections, and on the eleventh (11th) day of September, 1862, approved the plat and survey.

Interrogatory 8th.—Have you any knowledge as to the time occupied in making said survey; and if so, please state it?

Answer.—From the field notes of said survey, on file in the United States Surveyor-General's office, I see that the survey was made between the 24th and 26th days of July, 1862.

Given under my hand, at the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, this thirteenth day of November, A. D. 1863.

A. D. GRIMWOOD,
U. S. Commissioner District of California.

1870
Sacramento Daily Union, Volume 40, Number 7062, 31 December 1870 — REP. CALIFORNIA. [ARTICLE]
Bielawski Cassimir, draftsman U. S. Surveyor-General, dwl 242 Stevenson

Anniversary of the Polish Revolution.

Yesterday was the anniversary of the Polish Revolution of 1830 for Independence. To commemorate that day in an appropriate way, the members of the Polish Society of California, of which the well-known and esteemed citizen, Mr. Bielawski, is the President, assembled at about 6 o'clock P.M. at Hunt's Hotel, corner of Washington street and Montgomery avenue, animated by the best feelings. Shortly after, they sat down to a sumptuous dinner, and heartily partook of all the delicacies spread before them by the hospitable host.

By unanimous vote, Alexander Bednawski was elected as Chairman, and R. Korwin Piotrowski as Vice-Chairman—the only two survivors who took an active part in that memorable war, and at present residents of San Francisco.

The following gentlemen were prominent as speakers: Capt. Korwin Piotrowski and General Krzyzanowski, of the Grand Army; Mr. Euselman, Secretary of the Polish Society; Mr. Redlich, Mr. J. Ussynski and Capt. F. T. Lessen.

Hunt's Hotel, Corner of Washington and Montgomery

1876

Rudolph Korwin Piotrowski lived on 550 Stevenson in 1876

1877

rattlesnake infested Mount Diablo, which Sienkiewicz visited with Captain Kazimierz Bielawski in May 1877 mentioning it later as "a trip of several days, very pleasant, joyful and full of various things." The visit included a stop at the Strentzel estate in Martinez. (Modjeska was in SF in 1877.)
27 June 1897, SF Chronicle
Recalls Modjeska stay in SF with Kazimierz Bielawski in 1877

Mme. Modjeska came up from Southern California to San Francisco, and taking up her abode with a Polish nobleman, Mr. Bielawski, who has been for many years a resident of this city, she began the study of the English language, and finally made her debut in "Adrienne Lecouvreur," with what success we already know.
A meeting of Polish citizens was held last night at 1082 Market street, to consult about the proper means by which the attention of our Government could be called to the recent atrocities committed by the Russians upon Poles in Turkey. Dr. Pawlicki acted as Chairman and Professor Al Eigass as Secretary. An address in the Polish language was read, after which Capt. Bielawski recited the grievances of their government. The meeting adjourned.

Daily Alta California, Volume 30, Number 10464, 5 December 1878

Mr. Bielawski, deputy in the Land Office, stated that the surveys were defective. In the case of old Spanish grants there are instances in which they have suddenly grown to very much more than their former size. How this increase was effected is not known.

1880 Census Record, 1615 Clay St., San Francisco
Worked for Surveyor General’s Office as a Draughtsman (Servant: Agnes Kirby from England)

December 1880 letter from Bielawski to John Strentzel, M.D.

1882 Palace Hotel
banquet tendered to Mr. A. A. Sargent

September 1883 letter from Bielawski to Helena Modjeska
http://www.polishclubsf.org/BielawskiLetterToModjeska.pdf

1884

1885: Civil Service Register
# U.S., Register of Civil, Military, and Naval Service, 1863-1959 for C. Bielawski

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Kazimierz Bielawski, Józef Paudler, Aleksander Bednawski (veteran), Łucas Kryński (2925 Mission)

1888

Bielawski, Casimir

1890

Name: Casimir Bielawski
Location 2: r. 2302 1/2 California
Business Name: U. S. Surveyor General's Office
Occupation: draughtsman
Year: 1890
City: San Francisco
State: CA

Name: Casimir Bielawski
Event Type: Voter Registration
Event Date: 09 Aug 1890
Event Place: 2302 1/2 California, San Francisco, California, United States
Age: 75
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Birthplace: Austria
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1891 List of unclaimed letters
1892:  2302-1/2 California St., San Francisco

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Department of the Interior,
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,
Office of U. S. SURVEYOR GENERAL,
FOR THE DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA,

San Francisco, April 25th, 1892

John Main Esq.

Dear Sir,

I beg to be excused for not keeping my appointment yesterday. From the wet streets, the sky overcast with threatening clouds and the wind blowing from the South West, prognosticating a rainy day, I stayed home, and was aware of having felt very sorry indeed, when it about rained. The rising sun by his warm rays dispelled the clouds as if by enchantment, and made yesterday a day inviting pleasant excursions.

But as delayed pleasure is not an abandoned one, my wife and myself will have the consolation of surprising our Atheneum friends on one of the Sundays in the next future.

With our best respects to your ladies and yourself, I remain

respectfully yours

L. A. Biedowskii
1894 Death of Marie Bielawski

BIEŁAWSKI—In this city, November 19, 1894, Maria, beloved wife of Capt. Casimer Bieławski, a native of England, aged 65 years.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral TO-MORROW (Wednesday), at 10 o'clock A.M., from her late residence, 2302½ California street, near Webster. Interment Cypress Lawn Cemetery.
San Francisco Nov. 29, 1894

Mr. John Muir
Dear Sir,

Receive my best thanks for your book published about “The Mountains of California” presented to me.

The deeply thought observations about their formation, and the masterly description of the beauties of nature contained therein, form a fit and very interesting sequel to the series of “Picturesque California” published previously under your editorship.

With kindest regards to all my friends in the Alhambra valley. I remain respectfully,

Yours

E. Beikowski
The following well-known Slavonian residents have been chosen to act as vice-presidents: John Ivancovich, N. Barovich, I. Cleek, I. Slavich, Marco Rabasa, Marco Malovoz, Dr. Joseph Prosek, Joseph Korbel, F. Lastnka, Captain Bielawski, Luca Janevich, Z. V. Mudina, J. Kucich, J. Vostrovice, F. Oldunovich, Marco Glubetich, N. Milev, Dr. Pawlicki, V. Snajder, Hugo Fisher, Domo Mengola, T. V. Tadic, F. Truhlar, A. Gecan, Boza Radovic, N. Planotich.

Among these present were the following: Dr. W. Pawlicki, Captain Bielawski, Colonel and Mrs. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Holaday, Mrs. Hearst, Mr. E. Martin, Mrs. P. Donahue, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tevis, Colonel L. F. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Jewett, Mr. and Mrs. Payan, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. de Young, Mrs. W. Pawlicki, Dr. and Mrs. Cushing, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan, the Russian Consul-General, Mrs. John Corning, Sir Henri Hayman and many others. Mine. de Kontski was assisted in receiving the distinguished guests by Mrs. H. Jewett and Mrs. W. Pawlicki.

1895

Bielawski and Ladislaus (Wladyslaw) Borejko/Boreiko at same address, 1895 - 1898

1896 Kazimierz Bielawski living with Wladyslaw Borejko

Boreiko Wladislaus, office 336 Pine, r. 2302½ California
Polish Society of California. Organized January, 1873. Objects—Social, literary, free intercourse with native land and all Polish societies; also assisting those in need and in case of sickness, to which end there has been organized lately a section of mutual aid, under special rules, etc. Forms also a group or branch of the “Polish National Alliance” in the United States of America (headquarters at Chicago, Ill.), which is founded upon a federative system of individual societies, being assemblies or associations whose aim is to develop morally and materially the Polish element in the United States by establishing for that purpose institutions founded on the principle of the Catholic Church; also guardianship over the Polish emigration, etc. Polish Society of California meets on the first Sunday of each month at 3 Polk street. As group of the Polish Alliance, meets every third Sunday of each month. Officers—Captain C. Bieławski, President; Andrew Kópniakiewicz, Vice-President; Ignatz Kolaska, Secretary and Librarian; Gustav Helfman, Treasurer.

Madame Helene Modjeska, the actress, charming as ever, slender, graceful, fair and slow-speaking, is visiting San Francisco. This time she comes as a private personage, accompanied only by her husband, Count Charles Bozenta Czaplowski, and a Polish maid. The trio are the guests of Captain Cassimir Bieławski, 2302½ California street, and will remain but a few days.
Klondike breezes swayed the foliage in Golden Gate Park yesterday and turned the luxury of pleasure-seeking into a disagreeable pursuit. The crowds that gathered in the various resorts where amusement is usually found were small. Nevertheless, the surgeons at the Park Hospital were kept fairly busy. C. Bielawski, a man who has reached the allotted threescore and ten, residing at 2302½ California Street, was knocked down and severely injured by a cyclist. Jacob Harband, a
Kazimierz: Born March 1813 in **Russian-occupied Poland**
Lived on 2302 ½ California St.
87 years of age
**Widowed Banker**

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1901

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1904 directory

GUILD OF ARTS AND CRAFTS AT ST. FRANCIS [ARTICLE]
San Francisco Call 7 December 1905
... P.' Nellson, Maurice del . Mue, Maynard Dlxon, Madame Junosza, Florence . Butler, : May/ MottSmith Cunningham, . Frances Soule ...

SMART SET [ARTICLE]
San Francisco Call 11 November 1905
... that are prevailing, the pastels and tapestries of Mme. Junosza attracting much attention at the Occidental Hotel, as are ...

Artists, Their Work and Coming Exhibitions [ARTICLE+ILLUSTRATION]
San Francisco Call 16 October 1904
... Tuesday Madame B. de Areales and Madame I. de Junosza, two charming women fresh from the ateliers of Paris, ...

AUTOISTS DEFY RULE OF SPEED [ARTICLE]
San Francisco Call 3 March 1906
. Madame Junosza, 1119 Van Nee 3 avenue, informed' the' Commission by ...

Brave Showing of Western Artists [ARTICLE+ILLUSTRATION]
San Francisco Call 2 April 1905
Among the portraitists Sandona, Greenbaum, Ada Romcr Shawhan, Madame Junosza and Evelyn Almond Withrow are showing some interesting things. ...
1905: In January of 1905, he was living with his housekeeper and artist Josephine (de) Junosza

http://www.PolishClubSF.org/28PawlickiToKarol.pdf:

Name: Capt Casimir Bielawski
Birth Date: 27 Feb 1815
Death Date: 3 Mar 1905
Cemetery: Cypress Lawn Memorial Park
Burial Place: Colma, San Mateo County, California
Died 8 March 1905 as per newspaper obit below

Published 9 March 1905 (making the death date 8 March) “arrived in Calif. in 1853”
BUILDING OF AUSTRIAN FORTRESS IS DEAD.

Captain Casimir Bielawski Dies at His Home on California Street.

Captain Casimir Bielawski, who as an Austrian military engineer, won fame by building noted forts more than half a century ago, died yesterday morning at his home, at 2302 1/2 California street. He had passed his ninetieth birthday. Gastritis was the cause of death.

Bielawski superintended the construction of a famous fort at Venice in 1844, when that portion of Italy was under Austrian rule. He also directed the building of the Mantua fortress, as well as several other Austrian strongholds. He witnessed the massacre at Galicia in 1846, and as a result of the relentless haying was turned against those at the head of his native land. He secured leave of absence, visited France and England, and when the Austrian Government began to press him to return into service he came to the United States.

Captain Bielawski arrived in California in 1855. He secured a position in the Government Land Surveying Office here, and because of his expert knowledge in surveying held his position through various administrations covering forty-five years. He finally resigned because of old age. Mrs. Bielawski died about four years ago and from that time on the aged military Captain's health failed rapidly.

PIONEER PASSES FROM THE RANKS OF REMAINING FEW

Captain Casimir Bielawski, Well-Known Citizen, Dies at Advanced Age.

Captain Casimir Bielawski, a pioneer, who had for forty-five years been connected in the Surveyor General's office in this city, died at his home yesterday at the age of 90 years.

Captain Bielawski was a civil engineer and did faithful service in the department of the Surveyor General. He was a native of Galicia, Poland, and took an active part in the construction of some famous forts in Italy. He came to this country when quite young, coming to San Francisco and establishing himself.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, 2302 1/2 California street to-day and the interment will be at Cypress Lawn Cemetery.

In commemoration of the services a landmark near the cause in Colma Creek County was given his name, Mt. Bielawski. Bielawski died in San Francisco on March 3, 1905 and was buried in Cypress Lawn Memorial Park, Colma (lot 69, div. 3, sec. C).
Kazimierz Bielawski died in San Francisco at his home, 2302 1/2 California Street, on March 3 (or 8), 1905. He was 90 years old. He is buried at Cypress Lawn Memorial Park in Colma (Section C, Division 3, Lot 69, Grave 11 across the way from the De Young mausoleum). His wife, Maria, died on November 19, 1894, at the age of 65. They are interred side-by-side. The small monument over their graves was erected by the Polish Society of California (Towarzystwo Polaków w Kalifornii).
CAPTAIN CASIMIR BIELAWSKI  
BORN IN POLAND FEB. 27, 1815  
ARRIVED IN CALIFORNIA 1853  
DIED IN SAN FRANCISCO  
MARCH 8, 1905  
FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE POLISH  
SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA  
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8 March 1905 letter from Dr. Pawlicki to Karol Bożenta Chłapowski, husband of Helena Modjeska:
“At about 5.00 or 6.00 this morning, poor Capt. Bielawski, following a severe stomach haemorrhage, only minutes later gave up the ghost. While his death was expected, his sudden passing has left everyone in shock.”

Published 10 March 1905 (would make his death date 9 March)
Bielawski, Kazimierz
Cartographer: 1815 - 1905

A captain and engineer in the Austrian Army, Kazimierz Bielawski came to the United States in 1846 from Galicia. He proceeded to California and found employment as a draftsman in the United States Land Office in San Francisco. He remained at this post for over forty years.

He befriended actress Helena Modjeska* when she settled in California. She lived with the elderly Bielawski prior to her American debut.

NOTE: Bielawski was in his 60s in 1876.

In 1861, a 3369 foot-high mountain near Highway 101 in Santa Clara County was named the 'Bielawski Mountain.' He authored a topographical and railroad map of central California and Nevada, published in 1865.

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Probate records mention: Karol (Charles or Karl) Bielawski and Anton Bielawski; Anton Czarnecki

his former colleague to join the Colorado River Expedition. The actual surveying of the river would be carried out by Casimir Bielawski, a Polish American hydrographer from San Francisco. At Fort Yuma Ives
Captain Casimir Bielawski (1815-1905) did nearly all the surveying of old Spanish grants in California and was considered the greatest authority on real estate titles in that state in the second half of the last century. Helena Modjeska says of...

Casimir Bielawski, perhaps the state's most illustrious cartographer, was born in 1815 and served in the engineering branch of the Austrian Army until the peasant revolt of 1846. He resigned his commission in protest over government...

Casimir Bielawski, who did nearly all the surveying of old Spanish grants in California was considered the greatest authority on real estate titles in that state, and valued for his experience and exceptional honesty. Mount Bielaski in Santa Clara...

A monument was placed on his grave in 1937 through the efforts of the Polish Society of California. Helena Modrzejewska (Modjeska) mentions Bielawski in her memoirs; "He was thoroughly honest; it would have been easy for him to have accumulated a large fortune, but he was unusually scrupulous and never exploited for his own gain the possibilities which his government position gave him." (Memoirs and Impressions of Helena Modjeska, New York, 1910, pp 305-308).
Personal communication:
Possibly born in, or near, Sokal, in Lwów (once part of Poland)