

DISBANDING THE VOLUNTEERS.—A report is current here, which appears to have grown out of a correspondence between Gen. Clark and Gov. Weller on the subject, that the volunteer expedition now operating against the Indians in this section, is to be disbanded to make room for a batch of recruits lately imported to California. We should not be at all surprised, if such a move was in contemplation by the officer in command of this division of the U. S. Army, for army officers as a general thing have a prejudice against volunteer movements. Before the volunteers now so actively and so successfully operating against the Indians were called out by Gov. Weller, not a corporal's guard of soldiers could be furnished by the army, to take the field against the Indians. Our petitions to the garrison here were answered "no troops." But so soon as the Governor, acting under our earnest solicitation for aid, had called out volunteers, and in fact before they had taken the field, a squad of soldiers arrived destined for the same service. Since then different detachments have been sent here, and no doubt with a view to supercede Gen. Kibbe.

Now, we would respectfully suggest to Gov. Weller, if consistent with his duty, not to disband the volunteers until it shall appear from the officer in command that there is no farther need for their services. The energetic manner in which the campaign has so far been conducted has inspired our citizens with confidence in its ultimate success, and perfectly intimidated the Indians, and to disband the expedition now, when the work is but half done, would only place the Indians in antagonism to a foe they do not fear, and trust their subjugation to a power in which our people have but little confidence.

