

LETTER FROM MAJOR MURDOCK. — In another column will be found a letter from our representative. Our member does not quote us correctly; we said in our issue of February 14th:

We hope that our member of the Assembly will introduce a resolution calling upon the Governor for information, as to what steps have been taken by him towards settling the affair.

We said nothing about a "communication", we knew nothing of one, though we have since learnt that "such communication" was forwarded to the Governor, and that at the time spoken of by Maj. Murdock, that is after the receipt of our paper of that date, every man in California who could read, knew, that there were Indian disturbances on the Klamath and that the blood of our citizens had been shed. Some of the San Francisco papers of that date even stated that the difficulties were settled, and if the Governor was not apprised of the fact of existing hostilities, he is more obtuse than we gave him credit for. On the other hand we published in January the account of the killing of Messrs. Procter, Durham, J. Smith, Wheeler, O'Neal and others, which was copied into all of the San Francisco and Sacramento papers and was known to Governor Bigler, who however made no move in the matter until the tenth of March, a day or two after our paper, of the 17th of Febr., censuring him and our efficient Quartermaster General for their neglect, was received in Sacramento, he then sending in a message to the Legislature with the information, that hostilities existed between the Indians and whites, about forty days after every school boy in the State knew the fact.

In relation to the Quartermaster General or rather the adjutant General of the militia—both offices being combined in one—we have to say, that we think it was the duty of the Governor to have despatched him to the seat of the difficulties and that he should have reported thereon, instead of his remaining around the Legislature, drawing his pay without rendering an equivalent.

We did not intend to charge, either directly or indirectly, our representative with neglect of our interests, though we would be led to suppose that we had done so from the tenor and tone of the letter we published to day from him.

The letter was forwarded to us by the uncertain and untrustworthy Postoffice Department, and was not in our hands until the 1st of April, as were papers from the same source, it only arriving in time for this

