

Good News for the Volunteers.

It affords us pleasure to announce that a bill passed both branches of the Legislature before adjournment, appropriating \$52,000 out of the State Treasury to defray the expenses of the expedition just closed against the Indians in this country. The entire cost of the expedition, aside from the pay allowed the men foots up \$30,406 93. With ninety men in service for more than five months, and heavy expense incurred in providing for the wounded, we challenge comparison with other expeditions in this State in point of economy and actual service performed.

We learn from gentlemen who arrived here on the steamer this week that the \$52,000 appropriated is sufficient to cover compensation to the men, of \$50 per month. Gen. Kibbe, in his "Report of the Expedition against the Indians in the Northern part of this State," urges upon the Governor the just demands of the men for extra compensation, to which his Excellency calls the attention of the Legislature in the following language:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Sacramento, April 8, 1859.

To the Senate of California:

I transmit, herewith, a report, received yesterday, from the Adjutant-General, in regard to the late Indian War in the north-western part of the State. These troops were in the field some five and a half months, and during a season of the year when they were compelled to endure great hardships. They have rendered very valuable services to the State, and I trust it may be the pleasure of the Legislature to make provisions at once for the payment of their just demands.

The compensation fixed by law is wholly inadequate for the services these patriotic men have rendered, and I therefore recommend an additional allowance. A just and liberal spirit on the part of the State will always secure volunteers when Indian disturbances occur.

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ducted.

In compliance with a resolution adopted
by the Military Committee of your honora-
ble body, I transmitted to them, some weeks
since, all the information then in this De-
partment, touching this Indian War. To
that communication I respectfully refer.

JOHN B. WELLER

Gen. Kibbe further recommends that an
appropriation of \$1,500 be made to cover
~~the expenses of wounded men who are still~~
under charge of Dr. Hatch, surgeon to the
expedition, and who cannot be discharged
for some time to come. He speaks in his re-
port in high terms of the officers and men,
and pays a merited compliment to citizens
in this section, who rendered aid in the expe-
dition.

The Gen. complains that Col. Henly, Su-
perintendent of Indian Affairs, refused to ac-
cept the draft drawn for the removal of the
last lot of prisoners, after agreeing to "ship
all the Indian prisoners taken by the expedi-
tion to a distant reservation." The amount
due Capt. Woodley for shipping the last lot
is \$1,530, and as the draft was not accepted,
the Gen recommends that the State pay it.

