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PLACERVILLE, May 31st, 1850.

MESSRS. EDITORS: We noticed not long since, in a paper published down at the Bay, in a place called San Francisco, near the "Mission of Dolores," an article in which this important town of Placerville was set down as being near "Weaverville." Now we don't think the author of that article was ever in these 'diggings,' or had ever travelled much, or been any "whar," as the Missourians would say; if he had, he would not have called us luna and Weaverville the sun; for be it known to all the world, that the latter place is now a place that "was;" and the few hamlets that once made it an "oasis" in this desert, are now mostly deserted; and where once rested the gold digger, now rests the coyota and owl. On the other hand, our town is progressing in wealth and size; it contains more houses and a larger number of permanent inhabitants than any other place in our county, and we still intend going ahead; for we have good diggins all around us, and can boast of our due proportion in number, talent and beauty among the fair sex.

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... was last evening present at the opening of the new house erected by the Messrs. Clark & Elstner, called the "El Dorado." The house is handsomely fitted up, and does honor to the enterprising proprietors. "Mine host" was doing the honors behind the bar, dealing out the good things with a liberal hand. We noticed among the guests Judge Daniels, Sheriff Rogers, Maj. Quereau, and last, but not least, "Capt. Squarebobs," better known as Ned O——. He had a crowd around him all the evening, giving them rehearsals from the Italian Operas, and reviews on Boston common. He is an inimitable genius, and throws your Col. Grant entirely into the shade.

One of our citizens was out yesterday morning hunting mules, and in passing a party of Indians, who were mining, one of them shot him in the neck with an arrow; he drew his revolver and wounded the Indian, and they all immediately retreated into the bushes. Capt. Bee left town in the afternoon with a party of about thirty men well armed; they came up with the Indians at their ranche, about four miles from here, and made a descent in two parties upon the camp; the Indians discovered their approach and took to their heels, setting up an unearthly yelling, which was imitated by about a thousand dogs that they had with them. One Indian was captured, and one supposed to be severely wounded. All the guns, knives and ammunition that could be found was brought

away. The Indians in this region have generally been peaceable, but they have been purchasing arms from time to time from men here, and now they are pretty well armed. We think it necessary now to take measures to have all their arms taken from them, and probably we shall have no further trouble.

Yours, truly.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

LATE FROM THE SANDWICH ISLANDS.—By an arrival from Honolulu yesterday, we have received a copy of "The Friend," of May 1st, from which we make the following extracts:—[Alta.

*Report of the Minister of the Interior.*—From this report we glean the following statistical facts, relating to the Hawaiian kingdom during 1849--50. Coasting vessels licensed, 1850, 46—tonnage 1580. Registered vessels licensed, 1849. 27—tonnage 1458.

Marriages, 1810 during 1849.

Whole number of naturalized foreigners from the United states .....	362
From Great Britain.....	147
“ France.....	18
“ Portugal.....	37
“ Germany.....	18
“ Other Nations.....	111

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Total.....693

*Land sold.*—It appears that up to March 31st, 1850, the Government had granted fee-simple deeds, for 27,292 acres of land sold for \$51,086,71. Avails from the Department of the Interior, paid into Government Treasury for the year ending March 31, 1850, \$52,263,57.

**ARRIVALS AT THIS PORT.**—We are indebted to Capt. E. A. King, surveyor, and late harbor-master of this port, for the following report of arrivals from sea, from the 15 of April, the date of our last report, to May 29.

**PASSENGERS.**

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	
American.....	4970	129	5099
Foreign.....	1768	220	1988
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>6738</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>7087</b>

**TONNAGE.**

American vessels.....	46,292
Foreign do. ....	12,136
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>58,428</b>

[Alta.]

**SAD OCCURRENCE.** — Coroner Gallagher held an inquest yesterday upon the body of Mr. Loveless of Cold Spring, New York, who met his death under melancholy circumstances. He was one of the passengers who left the Sarah Sands near Monterey a few days since, and when within a few miles from this city on Wednesday night, in company with others, and while preparing to camp for the night, a gun which he held in his hand accidentally discharged—the contents of which passed through his head, killing him instantly. The body was buried yesterday afternoon.—[Alta.]

**BLOCK FOR THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT.**—

California sends greeting to her sisters of the confederacy, and announces that she also is ready with a memento in honor of the "Father of his Country?" The Oregon carries to the Atlantic States, on her present trip, the stone ordered by the Legislature to occupy a place in the Washington Monument. On behalf of this resolution, Gov. Bur-

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 nett employed William L. Smith, Esq., to visit the different localities, and select the best and most characteristic specimen; and nobly has he performed his duty. From the mountains of the Mariposa he has cut a block of the gold bearing quartz, with the shining ore sparkling through it. This block is in the form of an oblong, eighteen inches in length, by an average of fifteen in breadth, and about six inches thick. Accompanying it, are five or more very rich quartz specimens of golden ore, and one of cinnabar—all to be presented by the Hon. J. Bidwell, and H. A. Schoolcraft, in behalf of the State.—These specimens are to be inserted in the block. The expense to the State will be near three thousand dollars.—[News.

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THE 'FARELLONES.'—We heard it rumored yesterday that the steamer "Gold Hunter" would make an excursion to the Islands above named on next Sunday. If so the California seekers after a sight at the "elephant," will have an opportunity to see the animal—these rocks, it is said, is his abode or resting place.—[Jour. Com.

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CORN MEAL MILL.—Our old St. Louis acquaintance J. M. Dudley, Esq., has started a steam mill up Webb street, directly in the rear of Sacramento; on the block between Kearny and Montgomery streets, where he is turning out a quality of sweet corn meal, which would almost make the lovers of corn-dodgers go into a hungry state of excitement. The meal is of superior quality, and he puts it up in small sacks suitable for transportation to the mines. This is the first mill, we believe established in our city.—[Jour. of Com.

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