

ELECTION.—San Francisco District.—Held at Yerba Buena, Sept. 15th, 1846, for Municipal Officers. All the voters of the District assembled at Yerba Buena agreeable to proclamation; Washington A. Bartlett, Esq., as Alcalde, under John B. Montgomery, Esq., commanding Northern District of Upper California, presided at the election. Previous to the opening of the polls, the people were requested to nominate and elect four gentlemen as inspectors of the election. Don Francisco de Harro, Don Francisco Querre-ro, W. H. Davis, and Frank Vvard, Esqs., were elected "viva voce," and then duly sworn by the presiding officer. Polls opened at 11 A. M., continued until 2 P. M.; whole number of votes polled were 96, and the following is the result.

For 1st Alcalde.

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| Washington A. Bartlett, received | 66 |
| Robert T. Ridley, " " | 29 |
| Nathan Spear, " " | 1 |

For 2nd Alcalde.

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| Don José de Jesus Noé, received | 63 |
| Don Francisco de Harro, " " | 24 |
| Scattering, | 9 |

Treasurer.

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| John Rose, received | 67 |
| Francis Hoen, " " | 20 |
| Scattering, | 8 |

Collector.

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| Pedro T. Sherreback, | 86 |
| J. Cooper, | 2 |

After the Poll was announced, the Inspectors, in making up their returns to the Commander of the District, addressed a letter to him, stating that Mr. Bartlett had received the popular votes of the District, to be continued in the office, at least for the present, and in case there was any difficulty in his remaining in the performance of those duties, the office of Civil Magistrate for the District, was still vacant, and requested that it be provided for by the Commander of the District.

WALLAWALLA INVASION.—No certain accounts yet, (Sept. 16, P. M.) as to the force of the Wallawalla Indians, in the Sacramento Valley. All the available forces have moved up the Valley to support and strengthen Fort Helvetia. No act of hostility has as yet been committed by them.

RETURN OF THE EXPEDITION UNDER CHARGE OF PURSER JAMES H. WATMOUGH, FROM THE CALIFORNIA MOUNTAINS.

This company of 40 men, reached San José on the 14th, after a fatiguing campaign of two weeks, into the Indian country, they have recaptured over 100 horses, and killed and wounded several Indians, in the various skirmishes at

the Indian camps. Mr. Watmough led his men many leagues beyond the point of any previous campaign.

BALL AT THE YERBA BUENA.—A grand Ball was given at the large saloon, at the residence of Wm. A. Leidersdorff, Esq., by the U. S. Officers and citizens of that place, on the 5th inst. Upwards of 100 Californian and American ladies were present, with a large number of gentlemen; the utmost hilarity and unanimity of sentiment prevailed. The dancing was very spirited, and kept up until the rising sun rendered candle light useless. This

was the first general gathering of ladies and gentlemen since the hoisting of the American Flag. Such agreeable re-unions, go far to sustain the Government, and dissipate prejudices. May they often be repeated.

ANOTHER GRAND ENTERTAINMENT AT YERBA BUENA.—Captain Simmons of the American whale ship *Magnolia*, was to have given a nautical fete on board his ship on the evening of the 18th, 150 family invitations given in Yerba Buena, and around the Bay. San Francisco takes the lead in these matters, and shows a capital spirit.

Yours,

O. P. Q.