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Great Excitement in El Dorado County !! --- Threatened Indian Hostilities !!!

We have received from the towns of El Dorado Co. intelligence of a threatened invasion of Indians, which, if correct, is well calculated to bring hundreds from the Sacramento valley to the aid of their brethren in the mountains.

Meetings have been held in Coloma, Webersville, Placerville, Ringgold, and Diamond Springs, and the most intense excitement prevails in that section of El Dorado County.

G. G. Blodget, Esq. has been sent down as a messenger to the Governor, to communicate the condition of things and the fears of the people, and to ask for aid from the State authorities. We are indebted to him for our information, and will give it to our readers as we have received it from him.

It seems that a short time since, word was sent to Mr. Harris, a gentleman who is very much liked by the Indians, and who possesses much influence among them, informing him that he had better leave town within three days, for that the Indians owned the whole country around to within three leagues of Sutter's Fort, and that they intended to sack the towns and burn them.

We learn also that a gentleman by the name of Rosenram with eight others went

name of Rosencram, with eight others, went out a day or two since on the Macosumnes for the purpose of prospecting; and as Rosencram and one of his companions were returning to where their dinner was cooking, the leader of the Indians, armed with a gun and bow and arrows, came up, followed almost immediately by a second Indian, and in broken English demanded their arms. Rosencram and his companion, instead of giving them up, sprang for them, and almost immediately two or three hundred armed Indians came out from their coverts. The

two men ran for their lives, and succeeded, it seems, in making their escape. The other seven have not been heard from.

Three men have been found near Webersville horribly mangled, and the remains of two others who, from the buttons &c. that were found near, were supposed to be Americans. The bodies of the last two had been recently burned; the bones were charred.

The Indians are said to be aided by foreigners—to have sent their wives and children into the mountains, and to be scattered principally from the Carson valley along the route over the summit as far as Ringgold, the outpost town. They are also said to be well mounted and armed.

Placerville, Ringgold and Webersville have each a picket guard of 25 men. These towns have also raised a force of 50 men each, who are placed under the command of Sheriff Rogers.

While the meeting was going on at Placerville, two immigrants, a man and a woman, came into town, both of whom were wounded with arrows. They were enabled

wounded with arrows. They were enabled to escape with their lives on account of the Indians stopping to plunder their baggage. Another person came in about the same time, badly wounded in the arm with a ball.

The following are the proceedings of a meeting held at Coloma sent us for publication :

Proceedings of the Meeting at Coloma.

At a meeting of the citizens of Coloma, El Dorado county, California, on the evening of the 23d of October, 1850, at the Marshall House, to take into consideration the best measures to suppress the outrages and the threatened invasion of the Indians of El Dorado county, and to keep the immigrant road open, GEORGE G. BLODGET, Esq., was called to the chair, and C. J. Radcliff, Esq., appointed Secretary.

The Chairman stated the object of the meeting, and called their attention to the outrages committed by the Indians; and also read the proceedings of meetings held at Ringgold, Weaverville, and Placerville.

The meeting was ably addressed by Judge Ross, Wm. Rogers, P. McNeely, and others.

Mr. McNeely related a number of facts in relation to the outrages committed by the Indians, the shooting and wounding of three persons on the immigrant trail, among them a lady; the warning of the Indians to the inhabitants of Weaverville to leave there; also their threats; the commission of several murders; the assembling of the Indians in large force; and the sending of their families into the mountains. Mr. McNeely had just returned from Weaverville and Ringgold, the vicinity of the disturbance.

G. W. Crummey, Esq., then introduced the following resolutions which passed unanimously :

Resolved, That we, the citizens of Coloma, deeply sympathize with our brethren of Weaverville and Ringgold, in the recent outrages committed on them, that we will, to the best of our power and ability, aid and assist them against the attacks of a savage

assist them against the attacks of a savage foe.

Resolved, That this town will raise fifty men forthwith to aid the Sheriff of the county in suppressing the outbreak of the Indians.

Resolved further, That we will send forthwith, to the Governor of the State, a messenger, with proper dispatches for immediate aid and assistance.

On motion of W. Rogers, G. W. Crummey Esq., was appointed to receive the names of volunteers, to aid the Sheriff in the discharge of his duty, to be ready to march at 10 A. M., to-morrow morning.

On motion, Resolved, That the Sacramento Transcript be requested to publish the proceedings of this meeting.

GEO. G. BLODGET, Pres't.

C. J. RADCLIFF, Sec'y.

We give below the proceedings of

The Meeting at Placerville.

At a meeting held at Placerville on the 23d of October, for the purpose of taking some steps to defend the town and neighborhood from the threatened depredations of the Indians, Wm. Rogers was called to

the Chair, and T. G. Palmer appointed Secretary. Mr. Rogers being called away, Thomas Nugent was appointed Chairman.

Mr. Brown of Ringgold, being called upon, gave some information of a startling nature. Mr. Ankeny addressed the meeting at some length, and introduced a preamble and resolution adopted at a meeting of the citizens of Weavertown, which were read by the Secretary.

Mr. Ankeny introduced the following preamble and resolution :

In view of the fact, that the Indians in the vicinity of Placerville and Weavertown, are assuming a hostile attitude toward the citizens of those towns and their vicinity, and that some depredations have already been committed by the ruthless savage, the known and avowed foe of Americans, in which the blood of our countrymen has been shed, without the slightest cause or provocation; and in view of the fact that great numbers of Indians are known to be assembled within twenty miles of Placerville, furnished with munitions of war; and that they have sent their families to some retreat, a sign of Indian warfare; and in view of the fact that the danger is so imminent, that our community cannot in safety await the time necessary

community cannot in safety await the time necessary for aid to be furnished by the State forces; therefore Resolved, That a volunteer company of fifty men, or more, be immediately raised and equipped, to be in readiness at a moment's warning, to act on the offensive and defensive, until proper military forces can be procured according to the laws of California.

Resolved, That a subscription be raised to pay the volunteers — dollars a day, and defray other expenses which may be necessary.

Which were adopted.

Moved by Mr. Humphreys, that the County Judge be requested to appoint Mr. Rogers as a recruiting officer.

Moved by Mr. Toplin, that some person be appointed to raise a company of 25 men to act as guards to-night.

The Chair appointed Mr. Toplin.

Moved by Mr. Ankeny, that a committee be appointed for the purpose of raising the necessary means to equip a company.

Moved by Mr. Quereau, that a company of fifty be formed immediately.

Moved by Mr. Ankeny, that the Secretary take down the names.

On a motion, the meeting adjourned.

WM. ROGERS, Chairman.

T. G. PALMER, Secretary.

Mr. Blodget has communicated the intelligence to the Governor and an order was to have been sent up early this morning to Sheriff Rogers to take the responsibility and keep the Indians at bay and the trail open until he receives further orders.

If the fears entertained at the scene of excitement prove well founded, there is of course need for prompt and decisive action, but as the fears of danger, and the numbers and strength of the Indians may possibly be exaggerated, we trust our countrymen will act with that caution which may avert general bloodshed.



SOMETHING NEW.—We find the following in the Stockton Journal: "An hombre, in the absence of other change, is betting his blacking on the gambling tables of San Francisco. He lost six boxes on a roulette table the other day, says the News, but the bank had a "dead thing" on him, and so he transferred his patronage to a dice rattler.

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LONG AND SHORT TERMS.—Our Senators,

immediately after taking their seats, drew for the classes of Senators which they should severally occupy. Mr. Gwin drew the long and Mr. Fremont the short term. The term of the latter therefore expires on the 4th of March next, while Mr. G. holds his seat until four years from the 4th of March next.

THE PRESIDENT'S DEATH AT THE SAND-

WICH ISLANDS.—The following account of the reception of the news of President Taylor's death at the Sandwich Islands, is from the Polynesian:

THE PRESIDENT'S DEATH.—The start-

ling intelligence of President Taylor's death was received here with that feeling of profound regret, which pays the highest tribute to the worth of the man, and the estimation in which he was held as the head of a great nation. The Consular flags were immediately lowered to half staff, and the shipping in the harbor, without exception, and of every nation, displayed their ensigns at half-mast.

101 minute guns were fired from Puuwaena at noon, and a single gun at sundown, reminding all of the fact that a hero had departed, and a nation mourned.

CORONER'S INQUEST.—The Coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of a native of Oahu, Sandwich Islands, by the name of Joe, who died yesterday in a tent on the Levee, at the foot of Q street. The verdict of the Jury was that his death was produced by cholera. He had been unattended by any physician.


MURDER.—We regret to learn that another act of violence has been committed in this city. On Thursday evening George

in this city. On Thursday evening, George Baker, commonly known by the soubriquet of "Mickey," was brought before Justice Endicot, on a charge of murder. It appears from the depositions of the witnesses, Silas P. Trip and Geo. M. Smith, that at the Dickenson House or at the St. Charles, Mickey and Arch. Turner, with others, were engaged at a game of "poker," when some words were made use of which excited an angry feeling. The parties then left the house and proceeded to the Levee, where, soon afterwards, Mickey was pushed off the foot-walk, but whether it was by Corney or not does not appear. However, Mickey drew his knife and stabbed Corney twice in the side.

As Smith was going to fetch some liquor for the deceased, he was fired at twice, the first ball passing close to his head, the second through his ear. All the parties were excited by liquor. The prisoner was committed to the brig, in default of finding bail to the amount of \$5,000. Corney died from the effect of the wounds on the following day. Turner forthwith vamoused.—[Stockton Journal.

JENNY LIND, as we infer from an advertisement in our columns this morning, will shun all display and parade in this country as resolutely as she did in England. There it was made a matter of express stipulation that she should not be obliged to receive the calls or attentions of curiosity hunters, and the better to avoid them she took lodgings in a remote part of London, and lived wholly retired from the bustle and fashion of the town. She now seeks private lodgings in the upper part of this city, above Twentieth street, desiring, of course, all possible conveniences, and above all strict retirement. She will probably have no difficulty in getting a good "boarding house." She also advertises for a saddle-horse.—[New York

Courier and Enquirer.

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