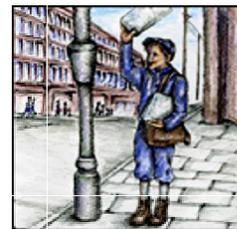


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LOS ANGELES NEWS.

Arrival of the Ohio---More Indian Murders and Depredations---Horse Racing---Arrival of Sheep---Improvements at Los Angeles.

The *Ohio* arrived yesterday from San Diego, touching *en route* at the various ports. The *Goliath* is reported at Monterey as having put back on account of heavy head winds.

The Los Angeles *Star* from the 19th to the 26th came to hand.

A delegation of thirty-two Cahuila Indians paid a visit to Mr. Wilson, Indian Agent at Los Angeles, to whom they made the following complaint:

"That Mr. Weaver, at San Geronimo, has annoyed them by shooting their animals, and imposing upon them in various ways, for some time past; and that to their repeated protestations, he pays no regard. Mr. Wilson was unable to afford them any redress or relief, as their case comes within the civil jurisdiction of the State, but he has requested the justice of the peace at San Bernardino to take the matter in hand and look into the facts."

The *Star* says, "we have been blessed with an abundance of rain during the past week, and the vegetation of all kinds is now in a forward state.

A man by the name of Woods of Louisiana, was attacked by a bear on the 22d ult. while on a trading expedition among the Indians, and after a severe and hard-fought battle, succeeded in killing it: not, however, without sustaining severe wounds upon his own person from the effects of which he died about seven days after.

The great horse-race between Fashion and Greasy Pass came off at Los Angeles without satisfactory results. One of the mares threw her rider and bolted the track. The judges decided that it was no race, and proposed another trial.

Each Sunday morning, says the *Star*, our streets are filled with drunken Indians, male and female. It is within bounds to set down the number of filthy drooling beasts, in human shape, at one hundred. Who knows how or where they procure the rotgut stuff that makes them thus? One thing, however, is known, namely: that they are beastly drunk, and further, that there is a

that they are beastly drunk, and further, that there is a heavy fine for vending liquor to them; but we do not know, with these hundred abominations staring our whole community in the face, in broad daylight, every Sunday, that efforts are made to discover who has done it.

On the night of the 15 h last, another Indian foray was made in the neighborhood of Santa Ana. The extent of the depredation is not fully ascertained, but thus far it is known that eight horses which were picketed down were stolen, one killed and another badly wounded with arrows. To what extent these evils are to be continued, it is difficult to surmise. But little doubt is entertained that other forays will yet be made, from the fact that Indians supposed to be Pah Utaba, have within a few days past been observed skulking in the mountains. Col. Williams has lost 75 gentle horses and mules, with 20 others belonging to persons residing in the Pueblo and its vicinity. The band was trailed to Cahon Pass, but there all traces ceased, owing to the heavy rains which intervened, and there the matter rests.

The Indians in Los Angeles county are becoming so troublesome to the rancheros that a public meeting is proposed for the purpose of devising a plan for the protection of property.

The anniversary of Ireland's patron saint was not forgotten by his countrymen of Los Angeles.

ARRIVAL OF SHEEP AND MULES—SUPPOSED MURDER BY THE INDIANS—Mr. Aubrey and his party arrived in this city the past week, and left immediately for the north. He brings with him, from Santa Fe, ten large wagons, one hundred American mules, and three thousand five hundred sheep, one half ewes. The party had a long passage, having left Santa Fe the 18th of November. No riot occurred till they reached the California settlements. Sheep are represented as scarce in New Mexico, and consequently a high price is asked. They readily bring from two to three dollars a head. It is said the Indians have run off many of the sheep and many more have been driven to this country. In New Mexico, last season, crops were abundant, business dull, and all things quiet.

On the Gila, between Pima villages and the Colorado, the party came upon an old camp around which were strewn the bones, as they supposed, of eight or ten persons, and fragments of calico dresses, indicating that there may have been women among them; also the irons of a wagon which had been burnt. Mr. Aubrey supposes that some party of emigrants has been cut off and destroyed by the Indians. No rumor of any such disaster has ever reached this city.—*Star*.

MORE INDIAN DEPREDACTIONS.—On Friday, of last week, five hundred horses were stolen from Don Pio Pico's rancho of Santa Margarita. As soon as the loss was ascertained, pursuit was made by a company of rancheros, who were successful in reclaiming all the animals, with the exception of some four or five which the thieves had killed and eaten. The authors of this wholesale and most daring robbery were a party of Pah Utaba, the same, doubtless, who have caused so much trouble in this county for the past few months.—*Star*, 26th ult.

The Circus Company were thrown into confusion one morning, on discovering that all their horses had stepped out. The cry of "thieves!" was after exploring the suburbs, they were not found equally eating grass; having cast less than their own rations, in search of a better fodder. This shows the "thieves" didn't do it.

