

and we flatter ourselves that we speak not unadvisedly on the subject, as we have traveled leisurely over nearly the whole State; but that such will ever be the case under a Mexican administration is very much to be doubted. Everything is done there by favoritism. Señor Fernando Cubillas, the present Governor of the State, was educated in France, and is a gentleman of talent, education and accomplished manners; but unfortunately his hands are tied by old Manuel Gandara, who in reality guides the helm of State, and whose only desire is to enrich himself and maintain the power and influence of his family. The Government do not object to foreigners working the mines, *with the exception of Yankees.*

BAJA CALIFORNIA.—The news given in our last issue relative to the revolution in this State, has been confirmed, and the following additional items have been handed us. Alvarez is not dead, but lies in a very precarious condition. Dominguez, the murderer of Van Ness, has been killed, and his body laid unburied three days on the field. The insurgents have taken Santo Tomas, carried the Padre and all the principal persons off as prisoners, in chains, and are committing wholesale robberies on the property of every one who has anything to lose. As a number of American citizens possess property in that place, we are of opinion that some means, if possible, should be taken to secure them in their rights by the proper authorities for that purposes.

It is said that the Melendres party have since attacked Guadalupe. This, however, has not, as yet, been confirmed, nor has Capt. Castro yet returned from Los Angeles.

The *Herald* of the 29th contains later intelligence from the Gila. It says—

We learn from the *Gila Express* that the Yumas are still giving plenty of occupation to the gallant Major Hintzelman and his command. Major Andrews had just returned from a trip up the Gila, and had succeeded in killing four Indians. The chief, Pasqual, was wounded by Major Andrews in the right shoulder. Lieut. Hendershott, with his party, is reported to have killed two more of the enemy.

MEXICAN BANDITS.—There is a regularly organized band of Mexican highwaymen infesting the roads in our vicinity, leading to the lower country. We have heard of two instances lately, where the unwary traveler had been knocked from his horse with a heavy club, his person robbed, and his horse taken. Travelers cannot be too careful, and no one should attempt to go alone, ten miles from the city, without being well provided with arms.—*Herald.*

INDIAN TROUBLES.—Under this head a correspondent of the *Star* thus writes from Santa Barbara:

On the 9th of May about 100 Indian warriors, from the Tulares, with fire-arms, &c., came into the mission of

San Buenaventura. The news was immediately sent up to this place, purporting that two Americans had been taken prisoners by the tribe, and a party numbering 18 persons, commanded by Valentine Hearne, the Sheriff of the county, and nearly all Americans, immediately armed themselves and proceeded to San Buenaventura the same night, traveling all night and arriving there in the morning.

Among the Indians were two who had escaped from jail at this place about two weeks previous, having both been committed to await their trial for the murder of a peddler.

The Indians had a pass, from the U. S. Indian Commissioner, to come to the mission and return to the plains. Many of their horses were recognized as those stolen by the Indians on some previous visit.

The story of the two Americans who were supposed to be prisoners of the Indians proving false, and the Indians exhibiting no hostile inclinations, the Sheriff and his party returned.

On the 10th instant, Mr. John Powers, of this city, having lost some horses, again went down to the mission, but the Indians had robbed two travelers on the road of their horses, saddles and bridles, leaving them to proceed on foot. Powers, with twenty-five men, pursued and overtook them a few miles this side of Don Carlos Carrillo's rancho, and by representing to them that he had an armed force of one hundred and fifty Americans, succeeded in getting three of his horses and the two escaped prisoners. He then returned to the mission.

The Indian prisoners were tried by the people for the murder of the peddler, convicted, and hung on the 11th ult. Previous to their death they confessed the murder, and proved themselves to be the leaders of a regular gang of horse thieves.

AN OUTRAGE.—By the same paper we learn that on the 8th of May the Mexican brig *Cornelia*, Capt. Bourtus, laden with passengers, from Mazatlan, and bound to San Francisco, being short of provisions, put into Santa Barbara to obtain the same.

After having all on board—obtaining her clearance—and discharging her officers of customs, she got underweigh, made a tack in shore, lowered a boat, and landed upon the beach a corpse, merely wrapt in a sheet. They then took the boat aboard, and proceeded to sea, leaving the corpse to be devoured by buzzards and birds of prey, that flocks in thousands upon our shores. The deceased was taken the same afternoon, and decently interred by the citizens of Santa Barbara.

The Surveyor of the port immediately called upon