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The *Stockton Journal* complains that the steamboats belonging to the combination carry freights for some houses at less rates than for others. It is also charged that the steamboats are about to monopolize the trade of the town by peddling goods on the levee without paying the license to which legitimate traders are subjected.

Senator Gwin passed through this city on his way to San Francisco. He is just down from the mountains at the head of San Joaquin Valley, where he has been engaged in surveying out a route for the Pacific Railroad; and on this point he is perfectly satisfied that the road must pass into this valley. A gap has been found in the mountains where the road can pass, that will only require tunnelling for one mile and a half, and competent engineers have expressed the belief that an easier route, still, will yet be found — *Stockton Journal*.

There have been but sixteen deaths officially reported in Stockton since the 1st of June.

THE INDIANS.—Senator Gwin says that during his trip down the Valley, and in his communications with the Indians, he has been impressed with the conviction that they are perfectly willing to be removed wherever and whenever the government may deem best. A general contentment pervades all the tribes. — *Stockton Journal*.