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Yesterday morning, the books of the Association of Citizens organized at the meeting on Tuesday evening, at the Musical Hall, were opened at the Merchants' Exchange. Throughout the day a large number of citizens presented themselves at the desk and signed their names. In addition to this, books were opened at Wilson's Exchange, on Sansome street. Papers with appropriate headings, containing the resolutions adopted at the meeting, were printed and circulated throughout the city, to which large numbers attached their signatures as members. Great unanimity of feeling prevails on this matter among parties interested in landed property, and much alacrity is manifested in coming forward to sign.

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| A DeBoom, | Michael Keller, | David S Turner, |
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| James Bowman, | J Gorham Bond, | Wm Dawes, |
| Fredk A Woodworth, | H O Howard, | C P Patterson, |
| D Livermore, | Jas F Curtis, | R B Hampton, |
| E McCormick, | A Pollard, | George Dwight, |
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| Matthew Joice, | John Doyle, | T H Stevens, |
| Alphonso Ramdler, | Geo F Sweeney, | Timothy Paige, |
| Isaac Bluxome, | James Hagan, | I M Merrill, |
| Kelsey Hazen, | E H C Clarke, | John C Quinn, |
| C Gillet, | L Nouzillet, | Robert Wells, |
| Jos S Friedman, | A Engels, jr, | Jas H Hisse, |
| Jas Tuttle Smith, | Chas Fruderich, | N M Roberts, |
| James Ludlow, | F W Brooks, | J W Phillips, |
| P W Van Winkle, | Joseph Clough, | G B Post, |
| Wm B Cooke, | J M Ormsbie, | S L Burritt, |
| O W Himrod, | B Derham, | Chas S Eigenbrodt, |
| Charles Davis, | G J H Landert, | Thos N Starr, |
| Henry S Fitch, | Joseph S Leavitt, | David A Edwards, |
| J Leedham, | F Phillips, | L Gortz, |
| Cyrus W Jones, | S C Field, | C V Gillespie, |
| Joslyn Hutchinson, | Christian Pruss, | Adolphus G Russ, |
| John G Gimmy, | Solmon Eckstin, | John C Maynard, |
| Louis Blanding, | M Rosenstock, | P F Hazard, |
| Edmund Scott, | T Rich, | Thos O Larkin, |
| J Belden, | Wm Baker, jr, | B Frank Hillard, |
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| Jno J Rowlett, | E D Waters, | James Lick, |
| E W Leonard, | J E Woodworth, | Henry S Brower, |
| J Sutherland, | R D Boon, | Wymon Osborn, |
| H H O Gaylord, | J DeP Green, | J W Britard. |

MISS MATILDA HERON AS OPHELIA.—The perform-
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ces at the Metropolitan on Tuesday, have been made the subject of very general remark among the play-goers, by reason of the delineations of Miss Heron in the character of Ophelia. We remarked at the time that it was a performance of the rarest excellence, and in our judgment it is her best character. The following communication in regard to it, from a friend whose criticisms and opinions are entitled to the highest respect, will serve to show that there were some who appreciated the acting of Miss Heron before she came to California.

MY DEAR SIR:—The play of *Hamlet* on Tuesday evening, at the Metropolitan, was well cast; there was hardly a solitary *stick* in the whole piece, and although I have seen some better Hamlets, I have seen still more worse ones. It is a misfortune to Mr. E. Booth, that his voice is so little capable of modulation. In the first scene with the ghost, he was far too loud and energetic for the awe-stricken prince.

But *the* part of the night was clearly the Ophelia of Miss Heron. It is quite unnecessary to say more of her performance, than to refer to the death like silence of the audience during the scenes in which the truthfulness of Shakspeare's Ophelia—the loving heart, stricken to utter madness by the death of her father, at the hands of him on whom she had bestowed her virgin affections—shone forth in her wonderfully expressive face!

But we anticipated nothing less. Three years since, at Washington, we accompanied an old friend, Major B., of the army of 1813, since Mayor of Philadelphia, author of several successful plays, and a perfect devotee to the legitimate drama, as it was given in 1810-20, without stars, to the theatre to see Brooke in *Hamlet*. At the end of the fourth act he rose from his seat, "Come," said he, "come, let us go; I don't altogether like Brooke, and I don't want to see anything now to disturb my impression of that young lady's Ophelia." "You like it then?" "Like it, sir?" there has been no such Ophelia since, in our old days at Philadelphia, we had Mrs. Wilmot for the part, and she could only *play* the part; she could *look* it! Depend upon it, sir, this young lady is bound to make herself known; let us drink her health;" and so we dropped into Willard's and did accordingly. These are simple facts, word for word as it happened, and by no means "got up for the occasion."

Yours, &c.,

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MURDER OF THE DEPUTY SHERIFF OF MARIN.—We have received the following letter, giving the details of the murder of Capt. Hammond Warfield, late Deputy Sheriff of Marin county:

Petaluma, June 6th, 1854.

MR. EDITOR—The distressing intelligence was received here this morning of the murder of Capt. Hammond Warfield, Deputy Sheriff of Marin county, near Heald's store, on the Russian River. The facts, as correctly as they can be gleaned, are as follows:—Capt. Warfield started from San Rafael about three weeks ago, in pursuit of an Indian who had committed a murder in Marin county and some escaped convicts, who were supposed to have fled beyond the Russian River. Having arrested the Indian near the Russian River canon, in Sonoma county, he set out on his return with the prisoner, followed by a vaquero well known in Santa Rosa, but of whom little notice was taken

known in Santa Rosa, but of whom little notice was taken at the time, and who was not afterwards heard of. A fortnight from the time of the arrest having elapsed, although his friends in Petaluma knew nothing of the above circumstance, much anxiety was felt concerning him, and the day before yesterday realized the most horrible suspicions that had been entertained. His body, terribly mutilated, with the head and limbs torn asunder, was discovered in a thicket, and identified by the papers known to have been in his possession, and other corroborating circumstances.

The Indian who followed is supposed to have lassoed him, in an unguarded moment, for the purpose of freeing the prisoner. Traces were discovered of the body having been dragged for over a mile and a half. Capt. Warfield was born in Baltimore, and was about thirty-five years of age. He emigrated when a boy to Texas, served in the army during its struggle for independence, and was highly distinguished as one of the most efficient leaders of the "Mounted Rangers."

Deep excitement prevails throughout all this part of the country in consequence of this atrocity, for the deceased was universally known and highly appreciated; and, from his boldness, skill and prudence, the community entertained the hope that his recent acceptance of the office of Sheriff would materially check the immunity that followed high handed crime. Gentle, generous and brave—the memory of Hammond Warfield will ever be deeply cherished by the many friends to whom his noble virtues had endeared him; nor will the community in whose service he died permit a brave man, who honorably passed unscathed through many a conflict with the foes of his country, to die by an assassin unavenged. L. H.

THE COYOTE—There must be a considerable quantity of latent wit about the region of Mokelumne Hill, if we may judge by some of it which is brought out in Vol. 1, No. 1, of a little seven-by-nine sheet, bearing the euphonious name of the *Coyote*, and published somewhere in those diggings at a place called Quamkeeg. The *Coyote* appears to be a sort of opposition paper to the Jacksonville *Owl*, and goes against the division of Calaveras county. Under the head of "Mining Intelligence," we find the following items:

WHISKEY SLIDE.—Miners in these diggings are confident of having water in the course of a few weeks. They say, however, they are getting used to it *straight*, and the whiskey slides as well without water as with it. Another instance of the boys accommodating themselves to circumstances.

A lucky miner yesterday sunk a hole in Stony Gulch to the ledge, and struck a big rock.

A company of industrious miners who have been working for the past year in "Poor Man's Gulch," declared a dividend last week, and discovered that they were as poor as ever.

INTERIOR ITEMS.—The Calaveras County jail is filled with sixteen prisoners awaiting trial. A Special Term of the Court has been called to dispose of them.
The Masonic Fraternity at Sacramento intend cele-

The Masonic Fraternity at Sacramento intend celebrating St. John's day, June 24th, by a procession, oration and soiree.

The Chinese around Jackson, Calaveras county, had a street fight among themselves last week. The difficulties existing among this class of people are said to be healed.

FATAL RESULT.—Mr. Dube, who was wounded in a duel with swords on Tuesday afternoon, by Mr. Ellsler, died yesterday morning about eight o'clock.