

is a good and useful institution, and although to a person just arrived from a country where coin is not so plentiful, the fees appear somewhat high, due allowances must be made for the circumstances of this place. But the second demand took me by surprise. The Health Officer is doubtless a man of talent and ability, and I should be sorry to begrudge him his income, were it multiplied an hundred fold. His services and his remuneration if weighed together would doubtless exactly balance one another. All I contend for is, that those to whom he renders these services should pay for them. We poor foreigners come here expecting to earn a few dollars, among a people with whom they are so plentiful, and are scarcely prepared to meet the repeated demands made upon our purses, which, speaking after the manner of medical men, are generally in a dangerous state of collapse on our arrival.

Since the day when, with a heavy heart, I paid the above demand I have often speculated upon what equivalent I had received for my my hardly earned coin, but in vain. Neither myself, nor any of my fellow victims with whom I have conversed on the subject, have been able to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion—but we appear unanimous in believing that the equivalent is an Irish one, all on one side.

I am, Sir, &c.

THE CLEAR LAKE INDIANS.—As yet we have received no additional official information with respect to the Military Expedition against the Clear Lake Indians, and we quite despair of getting access to a copy of the original report of Captain Lyon, commander of the expedition, to General Smith. The public would be glad to have some little further and clearer account of it than they have yet had from any source, and we hope that they may be gratified. We presume that the report must have been made before the expedition proceeded to their ultimate destination.

Captain John B. Frisbie who furnished us with the account of the difficulty, which was pronounced so utterly false by General Smith and Lieutenant Davidson, has been in this city some days, but he has never thought proper to call upon us and explain or correct his statements, nor to account for his *denial* of having furnished us with the information to which we gave publicity.

NAVAL.—The U. S. Store Ship Fredonia, Lieut. F. A. Neville, Com'g, dropped down to Saucelito yesterday morning and will sail to-morrow for Valparaiso, Rio Janeiro and New York. She has on freight \$91,000 in gold dust for Valparaiso.

The following officers are attached to the Fredonia: Lieut. Com'g—F. A. Neville. Act'g Master—Abner Read. Passed Midshipmen—Edward Ren-