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## LATER FROM THE SOUTH!

## ARRIVAL OF THE SEA BIRD.

The steamer Sea Bird, Capt. S. Haley, arrived yesterday from San Pedro in two days, with the following

## Passengers.

Hon Thos O Larkin, Hon Pablo de la Guerra, Dr J B Shar, J A Lewis, J S Backill, A Packard, E Gleenbaum, J Berg. A Garrett, W Larco, J Stone, L Kirtchfield, T Gillman, G Fullon, J Burton, Mrs McKay, A J Donzel, and 23 in the steerage.

By the Sea Bird, we have received a copy of the Los Angeles Star of July 1st.

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We learn from a passenger that the five prisoners who were its inmates, made their escape from the jail in Los Angeles on the evening of July 4th, about 8 o'clock, one of them being Smith, who killed Dana some months since, and was awaiting his trial. A party had started from Los Angeles in pursuit of the fugitives.

The clipper Wanderer arrived on Monday at San Pedro, in 48 hours sailing from San Francisco.

The party of gold prospectors who had been to the Colorado, under the guidance of Capt. T. Smith, had returned unssuccessful. They had been induced by the report of Mr. Aubrey, that he had found "two bits of gold to a cupfull of dirt on the Colorado river," to set out to prospect the country in the neighborhood of that stream. They reached the Colorado at about thirty miles from the Vegas, and examined the banks for many miles up and down, but without finding scarcely the color of the precious metal. They saw no indications of gold, nor any country resembling the gold regions of California; nor could gold diggings be worked if there, for want of water, wood and grass, for there are no springs or little streams on either side. The mountains are entirely destitute of vegetation, and no animal life is to be seen, except an occasional wolf and a few scared rabbits.

Col. Williams' Horses.—It will be recollected that some three months since, a band of some 130 horses was stolen from Chino, and that Col. Williams sent a party of Mexicans in pursuit of the thieves. The deputation of horse-thieves who came into the Tejon the other day, on being asked concerning those horses, related that the Indians who stole them belonged to a rancheria a few miles from theirs, on Owens' Lake. The thieves were so closely followed by the Mexicans, that they arrived at the Lake but a few hours apart. The horses were left con-

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Lake but a few hours apart. The horses were left concealed in the hills, while the chief came over to visit this rancheria, but hearing fire-arms he fled and ran off the horses into the mountains. The Mexicans came up upon the wrong rancheria, attacked it, killed several of the Indians and took some prisoners, but were unable to obtain any of the horses.—Los Angeles Star.

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