

EXCITEMENT.—A great excitement prevailed at Santa Barbara in regard to the Kern River mines. Numbers had left their various occupations and gone thither; the miners were averaging from \$10 to \$25 per day. Rich specimens of quartz and fine gold have been brought from there and shown us; the gold regions are reported to be very extensive. A number of teams have already left Santa Barbara with provisions, &c., for the diggings, it being the nearest point to the mines, and only one-and-a-half days travel, over an excellent wagon road.

For the above items of intelligence, we are indebted to the Purser of the *Sea Bird*.

RAIN.—There was a lively shower, accompanied by thunder and lightning, at Los Angeles on the 24th ult.

WOODEN BUILDINGS.—The Common Council has prohibited the erection of wooden buildings in the city.

FRUIT—Figs, pears and apricots are plenty in our city just now. They retail at 25 cents per doz — *Star*.

INDIAN TROUBLES.—Col. Williams, from Chino, reports that there are a great many wild Indians in the valley in that vicinity, and who have no other resource for a living than killing the stock from off of the ranches. Numbers of animals have been found, some killed and some wounded, and others partly consumed. How long have our rancheros and farmers got to submit to this state of things, and groan under this shameful and vexing evil, when a few well mounted men stationed in the Cajon Pass or vicinity, would put an end to these frequent incursions and depredations.

MURDER.—An American named Reed, said to be a teamster who had lately arrived here from near Santa Barbara, and had been in this city a few days enquiring for employment, was brutally murdered on the confines of the city on a path leading back of the vineyard of John Rowland, Esq., about a hundred yards from the river, on the night of the 24th inst. He had numerous stabs on his cheek and neck, and his head had been pounded with a stone.

NEW FLOUR MILLS.—Flour from new wheat raised at San Gabriel is in the market, and is selling for \$8 per hundred. Excellent flour from new wheat is also being made at the Los Angeles Mill.

INDIANS LEAVING THE TEJON.—We are informed that the Indians are leaving Tejon. A few days ago about fifty left—they were followed by Mr. Bishop. Rather than be taken back they showed fight. The cause is said to be the removal of Mr. Beale.—*Southern Californian.*

The *Star* says: Mr. Ridley arrived in this city on Thursday, from the Tejon, and reports the arrival of Mr. F. X. Aubery and company, at that place on Monday last. Mr. A.'s company numbers 55 men, with an abundant supply of provisions, riding and pack animals, with a small wagon, containing a boat for crossing the Colorado. It was the intention of Mr. Aubery to strike the Colorado higher up than he did on his former trip. Mr. Ridley says that many of the Indians have left the Reservation and gone into the mountains, there being scarcely enough remaining to finish up the harvesting. Mr. R. left yesterday for the Mohave, to meet the company at that point.

GREAT ROBBERY.—On Friday night last, the house of Montgomery Martin, Esq., resident of this city, was broken open and robbed of about \$750 in money, and his wife's wardrobe and jewelry, in all amounting to about \$2500. The burglar made his escape and has not yet been detected.

We are informed by a gentleman from San Bernardino, that a Mr. Winner has discovered a gold bearing quartz lead, in the vicinity of that place. The specimens he exhibited, as taken from the ledge, our informant says are very rich, and there is a probability that the ledge will prove to be a valuable one.