

SAN DIEGO HERALD.

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The Expedition Against the Indians.

The company of volunteers which left this city on Thursday, the 27th ultimo, under the command of Major Fitzgerald, camped at the Bolinas that night, and the next day pushed on towards Agua Caliente, where they arrived on Tuesday, and proceeded to burn the town—the Indians having abandoned it. Warner's ranche, three miles this side of Agua Caliente, they found totally ruined—cattle driven off, agricultural implements burned, and the whole place made completely desolate. The dead bodies of two Indians were found near the ruins. Mr. Warner thinks he killed four, previous to his leaving the place, on the 21st, but as only two bodies were found, the supposition is that the others were only wounded, and afterwards made their escape. From San Isabel, Major Fitzgerald

their escape. From San Isabel, Major Fitzgerald despatched three chiefs of that tribe—who are friendly to the whites—to the place where Antonio was reported to have taken up his quarters, requesting that the Indians would come in and have a "talk" with the Americans, or meet them in open warfare. Two of them were detained by Antonio's party, and the other was allowed to return, with the report that Antonio was not with them.

In the mean time Col. Haraszthy went out with a small party and captured the notorious Bill Marshall, who is said to have ordered the ~~murder of the chief and the~~ at Agua Caliente. This Marshall is said to be from Providence, R. I., and came out to this country in 1844, in a whale ship, from which he deserted. He married a daughter of one of the chiefs of this tribe which has committed these

chiefs of this tribe which has committed these depredations, and is believed to be the chief agent in banding together these hostile tribes of Indians. He is now undergoing a *court martial* trial at Old Town, which is not yet concluded. They have been engaged some three days in examining witnesses, and have not yet decided whether they will hang him or not.— Col. Harazthy is the presiding Judge, (?) and the prisoner is defended most ably by Major McKinstry—Judge Robinson in behalf of the State. The testimony, thus far, has been very conflicting, and many persons believe Marshall to be innocent, although the great majority are for hanging him. The principal witnesses against him are Indians, and their testimony cannot be received before a *legal* tribunal.

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We learn through Mr. Tihlman, who went out with the volunteers, that a friendly Indian by the name of Juan Antonio, and a Frenchman, have succeeded in capturing the chief, Antonio Garra, and have taken him to Los Angeles.

There are two Indian prisoners, who were captured with Marshall, now in confinement at Old Town, but they will not probably be tried till Marshall is disposed of. We shall delay publication till the last moment of the steamers' leaving, in order to get, if possible, the decision of the Court in relation to Marshall.

The Volunteers have, we believe, been disbanded.

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