

# Shasta Courier, Volume 2, Number 27, 10 September 1853 — Page 1 Advertisements Column 5 [ADVERTISEMENT]

[Back](#)

**L**ient. Edward F. Beale arrived at Los Angeles, *via* the Cajon Pass, on the 22d ultimo. He with his party of fifteen men left Westport, on the frontier of Missouri, on the 17th of May. On their arrival at Salt Lake the people were found to be in a state of great alarm. Walker, the Utah chief, had made war upon the Mormons, had killed several men, and driven off upwards of three hundred head of cattle. He had sent them word that the war was to continue four years, and that he was determined to capture all their horses and cattle. The Mormons had abandoned Paragona, a beautiful little town, leaving their houses and grain fields in the valley near the lake, and had removed to Parawana, a larger settlement about six miles distant, in order to give it greater strength. Walker is a remarkable Indian. He is not a chief by a hereditary right, but has risen to his present position as supreme chief of the Utahs, solely by his own energies. He makes annual incursions into this country; and it is estimated that within the last four years he has driven off not less than two thousand horses.

**A**lexander Smith, of Glasgow, hailed as "the new poet," is an artizan who has educated himself, seeks ordination in the Scottish Church, and is not yet one-and-twenty.

This article has been automatically clipped from the Shasta Courier 10 September 1853, organised into a single column, then optimised for display on your computer screen. As a result, it may not look exactly as it did on the original page. The article can be seen in its original form in the [page view](#).