

single purpose of furnishing the returns of the election to the public, It was a gigantic enterprise in itself, and yet it was a mere incidental arrangement, a little side play, having no connection with their regular business.

TROOPS FOR ROGUE RIVER.—On Sunday last four companies of U. S. Infantry, of twenty men each, passed through this place *en route* for the scene of Indian disturbances in the North. Three companies are from Benicia, in command of Major Patten, the poet and soldier; the other is from Fort Reading; the whole under command of Col. Wright. The *Mountain Herald* of the 10th inst. hopes these troops will hasten to the scene of action, as it fears peace will not be concluded. Col. Wright's command we are persuaded will give a good account of themselves in a very short time.

A BIG LUMP.—Mr. Swartz, of the Washington Quartz Company, brought into our office the other day, a lump of amalgum weighing 20 lbs. and worth \$3.864. the product of less than a week's work. He also exhibited to us several of the richest specimens of gold-bearing quartz, taken from their vein, that it has ever been our privilege to behold. A short time since this company lost the track of their lead, but are now upon it again, and at present find it more productive than heretofore.

BAXTER & Co.—We understand that this line have completed their arrangements for running through to Sacramento on this side of the river, *via Colusa*. Their animals have already been placed upon the entire route. They have also purchased three new superb Concord coaches and placed them upon the road. One of these came into town on Thursday with twenty-seven passengers aboard!