

STOCKTON, FRIDAY, JAN. 20, 1854.

The *Union* credits the *Ledger* with the following, respecting the bribery case:

"The report that Mr. Palmer, of the firm of Palmer, Cook & Co., had offered Mr. Peck, Senator from Butte county, five thousand dollars to vote for the election of U. S. Senator at this session, was circulated here for some days previous to the publication in the *Herald*.—There is no doubt of the fact of the offer to bribe the Senator, and also that large amounts have been offered to the Senator to hush the matter up.

"Expresses, by the overland route from San Francisco, have arrived here at different times during the past week, evidencing considerable uneasiness in some quarters.

"The facts have produced hundreds of rumors—on the one hand, that Dr. Gwin is a special or silent partner of the house of Palmer, Cook & Co., and people wonder, such being the fact, that an offer of the kind should come from Palmer. Again, others tell it that Palmer is the *factotum* of Broderick—so it goes. At any rate, there is something rotten somewhere, and I am an advocate for thorough investigation, that the guilty may be exposed and held up to the execration he or they justly deserve.

"The employer of Palmer—be he whom he may—may write his epitaph, for he is forever and eternally damned, both personally and politically."

#### FIGHT WITH THE INDIANS IN THE NORTH.—

The steamer McKim arrived at San Francisco on Wednesday morning, bringing news of a desperate fight between the Indians and the whites near Rogue River, in which seven of the former were killed. A company of volunteers immediately started in pursuit of the Indians.

THE SENATORIAL QUESTION.—In reference to this question, the *State Journal* fears that if advantage be not taken of the present democratic majority in the Legislature to elect a Senator, there will be plenty of bolters in San