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DEATH OF WALKER AND SEVERAL OF HIS PARTY.—The steamer Southerner, from San Diego, brings the news that after Col. Walker returned to Encinada from the Colorado river, he was attacked by Melendrez with fifty men. In the fight Walker and thirteen of his company were killed, the remainder retreated, a number of whom have arrived at San Diego.

LATER FROM MEXICO.—The Steamer Yankee Blade arrived at San Francisco on Thursday from New York. On her route she stopped at Acapulco, which was deserted by the inhabitants. Santa Anna and Alvarez had one skirmish, in which the troops of the latter got the advantage. A rumored insurrection compelled Santa Anna to return to the City of Mexico.

MORE ANON.—We would be pleased to hear from this correspondent whenever he thinks proper to write us.

INDIAN FANDANGO.—The mountain Indians and those of the valley had agreed to meet on Saturday last, at the Long Valley House, and have a fandango.—Those from the valley arrived first and went to dancing. When the mountain

Indians came on the ground they stood round looking on, but would not participate in the dance, but kept murmuring at the others for commencing before their arrival. It was not long before both parties were quarreling, this put an end to the dance. The women and children hid themselves, and the men prepared for battle. The mountain Diggers armed with bows and arrows, lined the brow of a hill, while the others, with guns, stationed themselves in a ravine. Before, however, they were ready to fight the rain commenced pouring upon them, and put an end to the *fandango*. Some of the mountain Indians were in town Sunday vowing "Valley Ingen no good."

Adam Shiry was killed at Todd's Valley a few days since, by the caving in of a bank. He was a sober, inustrious and estimable young man. It was his intention to start for the States in a short time.

IOWA HILL still seems to be the great mining attraction. The place at the present time does not contain less than seventy houses, and a population of 1500 persons. We learn that it is in contemplation to make a road from Illinoistown to the Hill.

RAFFLE AT GOLD HILL.—A fine lot of hogs will be raffled off at Gold Hill on the 13th of this month. They are the property of Mr. Abeel, deceased. We