

FROM CALIFORNIA.

Arrival of the North America—\$2,000,000 in Gold Dust on the way—Receipt of a large amount of Gold Dust—Sparkling accounts from the mines.

The steamship North America, Capt. Blumher, arrived at New York on Monday evening, from Chagres, bringing California dates to the first of May.

The most important event which has transpired since the sailing of the steamers of the 15th, is the election of last Monday which resulted in a triumph for the whigs, in assemblies for city officers ranging from three to seventeen hundred voters.

A new and neat church, erected by Dr. Boring, was dedicated on the 20th.

The city of Nevada has elected city officers, and has a newspaper called the Nevada Journal, published semi-weekly.

Considerable progress has been made by the commissioners in forming treaties with the Indians.

Yesterday there was a rumor that the volunteers had been whipped by the Indians in the Mariposa district.

Rumors had been so numerous and bold in the vicinity of Monterey, that the people have called upon the executive for protection.

There has been much news in the mountains, and we have heard of several persons who have lost their lives by being frozen to death.

The Indians still continue their depredations in the vicinity of Los Angeles.

Since the rains, the miners have been reported as doing much better than previously.

Some of the richest specimens of quartz have been brought to this city ever seen, producing more than thirty-three per cent of gold.

Some rumors have been about that a secret expedition has started for the purpose of taking possession of Lower California.

The grand jury has made a scathing report, which handles many of our officials with gloves, and deals severely with the administration.

The Legislature was to adjourn yesterday, after a session of four months.

The prospects of good crops are favorable, the spring rains having been of inestimable value to farmers and gardeners.

Business has revived considerably, and the confidence of our citizens in the future progress of the State is unshaken.

We regret to state that H. M. Thurston, of Oregon, died on the passage from Panama.

His decease was the bilious fever, and he died one day before the California reached Acapulco.

The Mines.—From the Sacramento Transcript we gather the following items relating to the mines and the prospects of the miners:

bits in the pan. In an hour afterwards he got down in the first pan obtained four dollars in gold.

Great Discovery of Gold.—Mr. L. W. Taylor, who has just come from Shasta city, brings us the following account of some very important discoveries that have recently been made in Shasta valley.

Practical Work.—A company of four persons, engaged in a gulch of Pieterville, are taking out daily \$1,000, or \$50 apiece.

Quartz Discovery near Rough and Ready.—On Saturday last a vein of quartz was discovered on Deer Creek, about two miles north of Rough and Ready, of great richness.

A Fine Specimen.—A miner in the vicinity of Nevada took a piece of quartz rock weighing several pounds, and strongly impregnated with gold.

Silver Ore.—We have heard of several rich discoveries of silver ore in the country adjacent to Stockton.

Good Luck.—We saw yesterday a splendid specimen of pure gold, weighing 89.38.

Mariposa Lumps.—A lump of gold found in the Mariposa diggings on the 18th, weighed 14 1/2 lbs.

Lynch Law—Summary Execution of Five Mexicans.

We learn from Mr. Scott, of Bonnell & Scott's firm, that on last Sunday afternoon a band of five Mexicans, who worked the claim in the gulch, were taken from their ferry, on the San Joaquin.

They were first seen passing Mr. Daniel Patterson's rancho, with fifty head of cattle having the brands of R. Livermore, Dr. Marsh, and Sonor Alvia.

When Mr. P. inquired if the cattle were his, they answered yes, and Mr. P. struck a bargain for them at \$20 per head, on condition that they would drive to Mr. J. J. Williams.

They were questioned separately as to where they obtained the cattle, and each told a different story. The gentlemen were then sent for whose brands were on the stock, and on their arrival they not only identified the cattle as property of their respective owners, but also the horses, upon which the robbers were driving them off.

A jury of twelve citizens were summoned to try the accused, who after a patient examination of the case, pronounced them guilty, and left their punishment to the vote of the people of the neighborhood.

Fifty men were present, who voted in favor of immediate execution, and 31 hours were allowed them to prepare their defense, which they made each a confession, acknowledging that they were engaged for some time past in robbing the ranches of the valley.

They also acknowledged the sentence to be just, and stated that they were employed by a band of white men. One of the prisoners was the vaquero of the notorious "Jim Beckwith."

On Monday morning at 10 o'clock the prisoners were conducted, strongly bound, in a wagon, to the gallows which had been prepared for the purpose, and the ropes were tied to the cross-beam, and after bidding some Californians adios, who were in the crowd, they themselves give the signal for the execution to proceed.

They all fell bravely, and in another moment they were all five dead, and their bodies were left swinging. The whole affair, our informant says, was conducted with due solemnity and decorum, and the citizens appear determined, to a man, to take upon themselves the responsibility of ridding their valley of these outlaws.

They were hung near the fork of the road, in the immediate neighborhood of the lagoon, and very close to Charley Horton's rancho.—Stockton Journal.

Coal.—The following orders were given by the captain of a Western steamer, when she was about to engage in a race with another boat.

"Rinse up, and attend the engine to shut down the safety valve! Give her Goss. Gentlemen who haven't stepped up to the captain's office and settled will please retire to the ladies cabin till we pass that loose or bust. Fire up!"

No More Coals.—It seems that these painful excursions can be cured in a very simple way, without resort to caustics or the corn doctor.

Chambers' Journal discloses a secret which it avers will relieve humanity from a load of misery not the less difficult to bear than it is unjustly or ridiculed.

The cause of corns, and likewise of the tortures they occasion, is simple friction; and to lessen friction you have only to use your toe as you do in like circumstances a coach wheel—lubricate it with some oily substance.

The best and cleanest thing to use is a little sweet oil, rubbed upon the affected part (after the corn is carefully pared) with the finger, and just before stepping into bed at night.

THE CAMPAIGN HAS OPENED.

I HAVE just returned from the largest and best of the large stock of all kinds of goods, which were purchased at auction at half their original cost.

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