

STEAMER SONORA

San Francisco, Dec. 16—12 P. M. Presidential Election.

We have returns from all the States except California, and they show that Buchanan is elected by 21 more votes than were required. Here are the figures:

For Buchanan—New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Texas, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Louisiana, total, 170.

For Fremont—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa—total, 114.

Fillmore—Maryland, 8.

Doubtful—California, 4 votes. That gives Buchanan 174 votes, but it was not known in New York when the steamer left.

The Vermont Legislature has adjourned, after six weeks' session. An appropriation of \$20,000 was passed, to supply the post office at Keamsville, and to erect a new building.

Michigan—Here the Republicans won a splendid victory. The majority will exceed 20,000. They carried nearly all the counties and have the Legislature which is to choose a U. S. Senator, in place of Gen. Cass.

Indiana—The Indianapolis Journal has returns from 80 counties in this State, half of them official, which show a Buchanan majority of 19,930; the eleven counties to be heard from gave a net Democratic majority of 10,000. Large delegations from all parts of the State to the Republican State ticket is elected. The Legislature stands as follows: Senate, 13 Democrats, 12 Republicans, 5 Americans. The Republicans have all the Congressmen, a gain of one. The Legislature is all Republican and will elect a U. S. Senator in place of Douglas.

Further News by the Steamer. Benj. Zensy, the American candidate for Congress in the Sixth District of Massachusetts, arrived in Boston, trundling a wheelbarrow and a barrel of apples from Newburyport, in fulfillment of a bet with Col. Burbank. The Fillmore would get more votes in Massachusetts than Fremont.

An extensive fire took place at Syracuse, New York, on the 8th Nov., and consuming over one hundred buildings.

On the 11th Nov., a collection of rowdies armed with guns and clubs proceeded to Monument Square, Baltimore, and burned an office of the Hon. Beverly Johnson, of Maryland. The outrage was prompted by Mr. Johnson's having delivered a Democratic speech in New York.

The Propeller J. W. Brooks foundered on Lake Ontario, during the recent gale and sank. Every soul was lost. It is supposed about thirty persons were on board.

The ship Lady Franklin was lost at sea on 31st October. All hands were rescued by the schooner Maria Jewett, from New York to Naples.

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not anxious to have two more free States introduced without an equivalent somewhere there is Nicaragua waiting.

The Herald's Washington correspondent says that the Navy Department proposes to relieve the officers and crews stationed in the Pacific, whose time of service has expired, by sending men across the Isthmus by the Panama Railroad to replace them, and bringing the former home in the same way.

THEATRICAL.—On Thursday night, Nov. 13th, a great dramatic and railroad feat was performed by John Broughman, and his company of the old Bowery, on a stage of 1000 ft. Mr. Broughman performed at the Bowery in the "Stage Struck Irishman," and as soon as the piece was over he and his company took carriages, drove down to the Jersey City ferry, crossed the North River, and took cars for Philadelphia, reaching that city at about 10 o'clock, where they played "Peanut-bones" at the Walnut Street Theatre. The evening's entertainments concluded with a supper at the Girard House, and at 2 1/2 A. M. the New York party returned by the owl train.

MAJOR JOHN H. EATON.—Maj. John H. Eaton, late of Tennessee, died in Washington, D. C., of the United States Navy, and in consequence of the wives of the other members of the Cabinet refusing to call upon her, the Cabinet was dissolved. Mr. Van Buren, who had been Secretary of State, going as Minister to England, and Major Eaton took up prominent part in political affairs.

A fire broke out on the 15th October, in Bellfontaine, Ohio, which entirely destroyed fifty-nine buildings, several of them the best in town.

SAD ACCIDENT.—John Foss and George S. Clark at Dover, N. H., on the 20th November, while firing a salute in honor of James Buchanan, were killed.

MORE FORGERIES.—Another forgery had come to light in New York; eleven checks on the Corn Exchange Bank, amounting altogether to \$4,500 78, and purporting to have been signed by Mr. Edward Bill, had been pronounced forgeries.

The celebration of the opening of the Grand Trunk Railroad, extending from Portland, Me., to St. John, Canada West, a distance of 855 miles, has taken place at Montreal. There was a grand procession, a banquet, and a torchlight demonstration in the evening. Large delegations from all parts of the United States and Canada were present. The festivities wound up with a grand ball.

A dispatch from Montreal states that a terrific fire had occurred in the Three Rivers, and that one half of the town had been already consumed. About one half of the business portion of the town was destroyed. The amount of damage done is estimated at \$100,000.

By the arrival of the City of Washington, at Philadelphia, we have four days later advice from Europe, which are unimportant. The Neapolitan question remains in statu quo.

The French squadron intended for Naples was still at Udon, and the Neapolitan Minister had not left Paris. It is stated that it has been agreed between England and Austria and the Port, that the recapitulation of the Black Sea and of the Principality shall be prolonged. The influence of Prussia in the latter was reported to be daily increasing. The situation of England has been forwarded to Prussia, and the Prussian besieging army of Heralis have taken possession of that city, and were fortifying it.

In Spain the law of 1854 on the press, has been re-established.

The financial accounts from both London and Paris continue unfavorable.

THE LONDON ART JOURNAL.—Mr. Garnham of the Literary Dept., presented us yesterday, with the November number of this, the most excellent and valuable work on art ever published. It contains three line steel engravings, executed as only the first class of English engravers are capable of doing, and is replete with able criticisms on high art, ancient and modern, and short biographies of the painters and sculptors of whose works the engravings are copies.

Every lover of the fine arts, should be a subscriber for the Art Journal.

Mr. Garnham has just received a carefully selected stock of rare standard works, among which we noticed Schiller's *Lives*, Goethe's *Autobiography* and other choice reading matter.

COMMITTED.—William Sheridan, the man who was arrested on charge of stealing a horse belonging to Deamer & Bordwell, was examined yesterday before Justice Safford and 100 lb in bail in the sum of one thousand dollars, in default of which he was committed to await his trial before the Court of Sessions.

COUNTERFEITER ARRESTED.—A man named Davis, says the *Marysville Herald*, was arrested at that city on Monday, on a charge of passing spurious money in Sacramento. He was arrested on receipt of a telegraphic dispatch from that place, and lodged in the Station House.

THAT COUNTY LOT IN SAN FRANCISCO.—Our readers remember the decision of the Supreme Court last Monday, in the case of Phelan vs. the County of San Francisco. In that decision it was held that the purchase of a lot by the Court of Sessions, for county purposes, was illegal, and consequently that the county was not bound for the purchase money, amounting to several hundred thousand dollars. The lot, therefore, falls back upon the hands of the holders of the Scrip. It seems now, however, that the Monumental Engine House has been built upon a portion of this lot, and that, of course, falls to the holders of the scrip.

The building of the house cost the city \$65,000, to which the company have added several thousand more.—*Sac. Union*.

BULL FIGHT.—Mr. Jones informs us that he has made arrangements to have a grand display at his Bull Amphitheatre on Christmas day. He has engaged the services of sundry ferocious bulls and fearless greasers, male and female, (goats, not bulls,) and is and is prepared to get up a bull fight in the most approved style. He says the show is bound to come off, "rain or shine."

TO BE HANGED.—John Wise and John Feeley, convicted of murder in the first degree, were sentenced to be executed on the 16th of January, in the county of Trinity, by Hon. Wm. P. Daingerfield. Judge Williams, the presiding Judge of Trinity, (the 15th Judicial District,) and who has been recently appointed to that office by Gov. Johnson, having acted as District Attorney in their prosecution, and was therefore disqualified to act in his official capacity.

Justice Daingerfield reports the snow in Weaverville to have been nearly five deep on Sunday last.

District Court—December Term.

Hon. W. P. DAINGERFIELD, Presiding.

Wednesday 17th.—In the matter of the people of the State of California vs. William Miller, indicted for the crime of murder, prisoner asked, by his attorney J. M. Burt, for time until next Saturday at 10 o'clock A. M., to plead. The Court ordered that the defendant have time to plead, Remand to jail.

The Court appointed Tho's Wells, Esq., to assist the District Attorney.

Wm. Allsbaugh vs. Geo. W. Willmot—attorney for plaintiff moved the Court to have this cause placed on calendar. Court overruled the motion.

Bird and Morris vs. Geo. W. Sovereign—on motion of plaintiff's attorney Court ordered this case to be dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Ira D. Bird vs. Wm. Holmes—on motion of plaintiff's attorney Court ordered that this case be dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

E. D. Clark vs. Annan Fargo—final judgment and decree entered.

Malinda Mitchell vs. Jackson Mitchell—cause dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

A. B. Newcomb & Co. vs. Tho's Hall, et al.—complaint amended by inserting name of plaintiff as party defendant.

John Jones vs. The Slate Bluff Mining Co.—by order of Court this cause was placed on calendar.

By motion of Tho's Wells, Esq., Tho's Williams and D. W. C. Taylor were admitted to practice in this Court.

Ben Smith vs. G. W. Benett—order for garnishee to pay over to plaintiff all monies in his hands.

W. B. Spencer vs. Brown, et al.—argument on demurrer. Court took case under advisement.

Bristol vs. Angel—motion to set aside answer and demurrer overruled and leave given to plaintiff to amend complaint.

Hess & Larcum vs. Pioneer Mining Co.—motion to strike out demurrer and answer sustained—judgment for plaintiff.

Smith & Sparks vs. Jones & Jackson—judgment and decree of sale.

Crooks vs. Earle & Chaffee—judgment on stipulation, filed.

Thursday, 18th.—Wm. D. Vantine vs. Bald Rock Mining Co.—continued on motion of defendant.

John McDougal, et al. vs. Daniel Green, et al.—Court occupied all day in trying this case. J.ury returned sealed verdict.

On motion of Tho's Wells, Esq., L. Grainger was admitted to practice as attorney in this Court.

Friday, 19th.—Matilda Goodheart vs. Joseph Goodheart—petition for divorce. Plaintiff denied her prayer and divorce granted to defendant on evidence before T. Wells, Esq. Judgment against plaintiff for costs.

Martha A. Miller vs. Wm. M. Miller—prayer of plaintiff granted and judgment against defendant for costs.

John McDougal, et al. vs. Daniel Green, et al.—verdict for plaintiff.

Wm. B. Spencer, et al. vs. S. C. Brown, et al.—demurrer to complaint sustained and judgment in favor of defendant by consent.

J. L. Henshaw vs. John Richardson—demurrer to complaint sustained and leave granted to plaintiff to amend complaint.

I. D. Bird vs. Joseph Lebrass—jury empaneled.

Upon certificate from Supreme Court, A. C. Morse was admitted to practice in this Court.

BADLY HURT.—Patrick Keely, the man whose spine was injured a few days since by the caving of a bank at Long's Bar, has been taken in charge by order of the supervisors and is now under the care of Dr. Brown, from whom we learn that his injuries are of such a serious nature as to render his recovery doubtful.

REMOVED ELOPEMENT.—We heard it reported yesterday that a married woman lived somewhere in the neighborhood of Gold Hill, had left her lawful spouse and eloped with a certain young and gay deceiver, for parts unknown. We simply report this as we heard it, not knowing the parties' names or their place of residence.

A FLUSH BEGGAR.—John Baptist, says the *Globe* of the 15th, was arrested yesterday morning, charged with being a common vagrant and a beggar. Upon searching his person at the police station, the sum of two hundred and forty-four dollars were found secreted in his clothing.

OBSTRUCTING A HIGHWAY.—Postmaster D. C. Downer was arraigned before Justice Safford yesterday, on a charge of having obstructed a highway in erecting a building on Miner's Alley at its intersection with Downer Street. The case was prosecuted for the county by District Attorney Kleine, J. M. Burt, Esq., being attorney for defendant. Trial by Court; case submitted and taken under advisement; decision to be rendered on Saturday at 1 o'clock, P. M.

BLACK MAIL.—The *Bulletin* contains an account of the apprehension and arrest of a Frenchman named D'Aumale, who has been making attempts to frighten A. R. Ritter of San Francisco, into giving him certain sums of money, by threatening him by letters with all sorts of direful visitations if he didn't "come out." The Frenchman is supposed to be insane.

SINGULAR DEATH.—The *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, in mentioning the death of Elisha Hull, one of the pioneers of that county, which took place at his residence on Monday, December 1st, of lockjaw, remarks: "He had been attacked by *mania potu*, a few days before his death, and had taken to the woods. The disease of which he died was produced by worms infested upon himself in endeavoring to escape the pursuit of his friends."

THE PEDESTRIANS.—By a telegraphic dispatch in the *State Journal* of Saturday, we learn that Trainor, the English pedestrian who undertook a walking match against Kennovan, for the champion's belt, "caved in" at eight o'clock Friday morning. Kennovan was still walking at the time the dispatch was sent from San Francisco.

Sudden Death.—Dr. Brown, coroner

furnished us with the annexed account of the sudden death of a miner named Joseph Dockerell, alias Armstrong, at Dry Creek on Tuesday night, December 16th. The following facts were elicited at the coroner's inquest held yesterday forenoon:

Albert Schuyler, sworn, says he knew deceased, had been working with him for some time past, lived in the same cabin with him. Deceased was known here by the name of Joseph Dockerell but his real name is Joseph Armstrong; he came from Montreal, Canada, to this country in 1846 or '47 and established a newspaper, and worked as a compositor until 1852, when he became dissipated, and reverses in fortune following, he came to the mines and has followed mining in different localities up to the time of his death. Last night he complained of a pain in his breast and a difficulty in breathing.

About 2 o'clock in the morning he called to Schuyler and told him he felt very ill, and wished him to raise him up, which he did, and then went to a neighboring cabin to get a candle and when he returned he found Armstrong dead.

Other witnesses were examined whose testimony was in accordance with the above.

A post mortem examination was made by Drs. Smedes and Brown. The stomach and bowels presented a healthy appearance, the heart and left lung were very much enlarged.

After hearing the testimony and witnessing the post mortem examination, the jury returned the following verdict:

We, the undersigned, find that the deceased, Joseph Dockerell, alias Armstrong, died from hypertrophy of the heart. The deceased was aged about 35 years, of irregular and dissipated habits, a native of Montreal, Canada, a printer by trade, and has been mining since 1852.

H. D. Smedes, M. D., Sam'l Crose, Nathan Davis, Henry Baugh, Thomas Clark, Albert Dougherty, A. M. Young, H. L. Johnson, H. N. Cummings, H. C. Hubbard, Sam'l Ritter, N. H. Dukes.

We learn from our pressman, that Dockerell was one of the original proprietors of the *Alta California*, he, together with another printer named Hoppy, having established that pioneer journal early in 1848. He is said to be a man of more than ordinary intelligence, and a very excellent compositor. We believe that Hoppy is also dead. Thus have both of the pioneers of the press in California gone to their long homes.

DAY CITY ITEM.—This is the name of a new daily just emerged into life in Sacramento. It is a neat little sheet about the size of the *Young America* and *Morning Call*. We wish the little fellow success.

CORBEL STONES.—The freight cars of the S. V. R. R. are busily employed in transporting freight. A large number are filled with corbel stones, which are intended for the new Capitol. The quarrying of granite is still going on, and there is a prospect for a largely increased demand soon.—*Granite Journal*.

HUNTING IN THE MOUNTAINS.—The *Placerville American* says that Mr. Curtis, a gentleman of that place, started out on Monday, December 1st, on a hunting excursion in the mountains, and after an absence of only six days, returned on Sunday the 7th, with a small male train laden with the carcasses of no less than four bears and three deer, all shot by himself during the time he was absent, within thirty miles of Placerville.

CARSON VALLEY—GOLD MINING.—The *Placerville American* says that letters from Col. Reese state that the inhabitants of the Valley were highly elated at the discovery of the new gold fields; that there is no scarcity of water in the vicinity, and that opportunities for sluicing and hydraulics are abundant.

PICTURE OF OROVILLE.—Mr. Watson showed us a large lithographic view of Yerka, yesterday. It is elaborately and correctly executed, and represents a general view of the town, and on the margin are portraits of the principal dwelling-houses and stores. Mr. Watson intends employing the services of an artist in making a similar view of Oroville. Such a work is a most desirable one, and we hope to see its speedy completion.

A TAX COLLECTOR'S TROUBLES.—Mr. Berry, our road overseer, in attempting to collect road-tax from a Chinaman, was resisted by the delinquent Asiatic, and was compelled to exercise his knowledge in the "manly art" to convince John that road taxes are not only an important auxiliary to the support of our State government, but collectable under all circumstances and from all classes. John finally acknowledged the majesty of the law, and paid his tax.

THE WAY INDIAN WARS ARE CREATED.—The *Shasta Republican*, in speaking of some difficulties between the whites and the Pitt River Indians, says: It may be well to remark that an Indian was shot by a white man previous to this affair, and in the neighborhood, for stealing a box of matches!

DEPUTY SHERIFF McLaughlin desires us to offer his thanks to the citizens of Nevada county who so generously assisted him in his pursuit and capture of "Bill," the horse-thief.

McDermott, the Laughing Stock, played the fool before the Marysvillians on Monday night and received the usual compliments.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—We would direct the attention of the reader to the advertisement of Mr. Dan Dean, of Marysville, in to-day's issue, offering for sale a select assortment of boots and shoes.

COUNTY SCRIP.—Anybody and everybody who is possessed of Butte county Scrip, can find a market for it by applying to McWilliams & Tymeson.

We are requested by Messrs. McWilliams & Tymeson to state that their exchange department closes to-day at 6 o'clock P. M., and the express, to-morrow. Persons desirous of sending drafts, letters, or packages, should bear this in mind and "hurry up their cakes."

PERSONAL.—Hon. W. P. Daingerfield, Judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit Court, arrived in town yesterday evening. The December term of this Court will begin to-day.

TO BE HUNG.—Nathan Cottle, the murderer of young Cole, is to be hung at Jackson, Amador county, on Friday, December 19th.

WYANDOTTE.—Since the diggings in the neighborhood of the above place have been supplied with water by the Forbestown Ditch, very considerable quantities of gold have been taken out and business is assuming quite a lively aspect.

Zion vs. SHANGHAI.—A descendant of

Abraham, who is daily and hourly offering to this unappreciative community, as cover for their nakedness, all sorts of wearing apparel, at prices far below their original cost, and a Mongolian, whose avocation it is to keep such adornments of the outer man in a state of cleanliness, disagreeing about certain business transactions, commenced a highly excited debate on the subject, where, in they forgot the respect due one another, and so far overstepped the rules of parliamentary usage as to become personally insulting in their remarks and finally proceeded to blows, "blows to a French citizen, Melnotte! blows!" and blood was split, "twas from the nose" of the Hebrew, who waxed exceedingly wroth, and jerked at the Celestial's top-knot, and thereby hangs a tale. Representatives of the law, and ministers of the peace and dignity of the State, offered their services as mediators, and perforce did quell the outbreak, and Mongolian and Jew were both brought face to face before blind, impartial Justice, who went one eye on the case and Melchisedec was nuctated in the sum of thirty dollars, while the disciple of Confucius was released from bondage and told to go and sin no more.

BARON.—We infer from what we hear about this new town, that her diggings have not turned out so well as was anticipated, and that many of the miners are returning who left the Oroville diggings to go there.

PARIONED.—Mr. Rosenbaum informs us that Henry Lipman, the man who was sentenced by Judge Lewis, at the August term of the Court of Sessions, to two years in the State Penitentiary for the crime of rape, has been pardoned by Gov. Johnson.

SUDDEN DEATH.—A German lady named Anna Barbara Foerster, aged fifty-two years, died suddenly on Thursday night, at her residence on Geary street. She was sitting and sewing at the time, when she fell over and expired. It is supposed she burst a blood vessel, and died from internal hemorrhage.—*S. F. Herald*.

FOOT RACE.—"Arkansas Bob" and J. C. Young, "the Piker," are to run a foot-race at Squiers' old boarding house, Live Oak Flat, on Sunday at 3 o'clock, P. M. Distance one hundred yards.

TURNED DRAMATIST.—Caxton the recent editor of the *True Californian*, is writing a play for Miss Provost. So says the *California American*.

REVEL.—There is a revival among the congregation of the Baptist church of Stockton. Four persons were baptized in the "slough" a week ago yesterday.

THE PEOPLE OF SAN FRANCISCO have tendered a public dinner to Consul Dillon, and that functionary has accepted the invitation to the proffered "square meal." The distinguished gentlemen of the Bay City are somewhat celebrated for their appetites, judging from the many big dinners they eat.

WE ARE indebted to Master Henry Towles for a copy of the *Inquirer Extra*.

RICH QUARTZ LEAD.—The *Calaveras Chronicle* says that a quartz lead has been recently discovered in the vicinity of Mokelumne Hill which prospects at the rate of \$350 per ton.

REPORT says that Hugh McDermott, the distinguished vegetarian, is to appear on the boards of the Marysville Theatre to-night.

DOG WANTED.—Anybody who has got a dog to sell, a good dog, no mongrel fyste, can find a customer at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

REMOVAL.—Dr. Gilbert has removed his office to a building on Montgomery street between Hutton and Lincoln streets.

CHRISTMAS BALL.—All lovers of the art Terpsichorean in these diggings, will of course turn out en masse to attend the grand ball to be given at Musical Hall on Christmas night.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHRISTMAS BALL!

A Ball will be given at TROUGHTON'S EXCHANGE, on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th. A splendid supper will be prepared for the occasion, and a fine band of music will be in attendance.

WYANDOTTE, Dec. 17.

SPORT FOR THE BOYS!

THE PUBLIC IS INFORMED, that a Grand BULL HOBBLE, and Sonorita Fight will come off at JONES' BULL OPERA in Oroville, on Christmas Day.

J. Y. JONES, Agent.

GEO. MONTGOMERY, Auctioneer and Commission MERCHANT.

Office and Salesroom—Washington Block, Fire-proof building, corner Montgomery and Myers streets, OROVILLE.

REAL ESTATE and outdoor Sales attended to. Regular Sale Days, for Horses, Carriages &c., in front of Sales Room, Tuesdays and Saturdays. STORAGE in Fire-proof Basement for Goods consigned for Sale or Forwarding.

FOR SALE—A RARE CHANCE!

THE SUBSCRIBER being desirous of returning to the Atlantic States, now offers for sale his Blacksmith Shop and Lot, with tools and stock in trade. The property is situated on Main street, Forbestown. For particulars enquire of the undersigned on the premises.

JOHN GOULSON, Forbestown, Dec. 4.

NOTICE