TWO WEEKS

LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

ARRIVAL OF THE STAR OF THE WEST.

Severe Winter—Destructive Floods.

HIGH PRICE OF PROVISIONS.

Distress and Starvation in the Mining Districts.

The United States Land Commissioners.

COL. FREMONT'S CLAIM CONFIRMED.

Ship News—Markets—Marriages and Deaths.

The steamship Star of the West, E. L. Tinklepaugh, Commander, from San Juan de Nicaragua, arrived this morning, having experienced strong northerly winds throughout the voyage.

The following vessels were in port at San Juan: Steamship Pampero, Sanders, for New-Orleans; British Mail steamer Great Western, for Chagres in a few days.

The Star of the West arrived, on her outward passage, on the morning of the 14th inst., and sailed for New-York on the evening of the 17th, bringing three hundred passengers, who report the transit across the Isthmus to be in excellent condition for traveling.

On the 19th inst. the Star of the West was boarded by the Captain of the bark John Colby, of New-York, 14 days out from Navy Bay for St. Marks, asking for a supply of medicines—all the crew being sick, and one having died the day previous.

The following persons came passengers in the Star of the West:

Major Hammond, G. F. Johnson, Judge Morse, E. A. Jessell, R. Paxon, Mr. Tallmadge, Mr. Aubal, B. B. Thayer, Gen. Adair, Dr. Evans, Col. McEwan, Mr. Sanford, Mrs. Anne Smith, Mrs. Lilly Smith and infant, Mr. Lincoln, Capt. Terby, Capt. J. L. Folsom and servant, J. H. Lendrum, A. Gutebund and servant, A. C. Gutebund, A. D. Gutebund, M. Cassimon, Mrs. Hart and two daughters, Capt. Collins, W. W. Brainard, G. C. Hawley, Wm Troop, J. M. Coxman, T. L. Smith, Mr. Bacon, Mr. Hopkins and servant, Mr. Langley, N. Brainer, H. Bower, C. DeRio, J. J. L. Surley, H. Cohen, Mr. Lutterthwaite, T. King, T. Rosenthal, I. Delavan, J. W. Taylor, J. King, W. O. Carpenter, R. J. Powers, S. Miller, Mr. Patrick, Capt. Bodfish, Mr. Lewry, E. S. Butters, Capt. Chester, Capt. Nash, A. E. Gutebund, T. Tobin, S. Hynes, R. A. Boutou, G. A. Thompson, J. M. Clark, P. H. Rooney, J. Jance, Capt. Lawrence, T. J. Church, Mr. Gardner, W. R. Johnson, J. Frost, Mr. Whipple, E. Thompson, Mr. Colson, W. Rowland, and 266 others.

We are indebted to Henry Torrance, Esq., Purser of the Star of the West, and to Gregory & Co.'s and Adams & Co.'s Express for the prompt delivery of California papers.

News of the Fortnight.

From The Alta California of Jan. 1.

The present winter is conceded to be the most severe experienced in this country since it has been populated by Americans. During the last fortnight it has been raining and snowing continually in the mountains and vallies, and we are daily in the receipt of accounts of distress and suffering in all parts of the State. The waters have been unusually high, and communication through the mining regions almost entirely cut off, either by snow or overflowed streams.

The rivers have been swelled to such an extent as to inundate all the low lands, causing immense damage, destroying stock and agricultural products. The whole country between Tehama and Sacramento City was entirely under water, while Marysville was partly inundated, and though Sacramento City was well protected by a levee, the lower portions were submerged. The waters at the present time have subsided, although the rains still continue. On the mountains streams the loss of mining implements has been great, and all work for the present suspended. Bridges have been swept away, and ferries destroyed, and some few lives lost.

The southern portion of the mining district has suffered equally with the northern. Stockton has been inundated partially, and property to a considerable amount destroyed. The bridges on the Calaveras, Stanislaus and other streams have been swept away, and communication with the mining towns for a while suspended. The flood has been universal, and the waters higher than in the memorable winter of 1849.

The great scarcity of provisions, and the consequent high price, has occasioned much suffering and distress already, and it is feared that many will actually die from starvation. Many miners subsist entirely on beef and potatoes, whilst in other portions of the mines there are hundreds who have nothing at all but barley and potatoes. In portions of Yuba and Sierra County the snow was already ten feet deep and still falling, and the miners actually reduced to absolute want.

In one place they held a meeting and forced a trader to sell what flour he had on hand at forty-five cents per pound, and all who were able to leave did so, thus leaving the provisions for those who were unable to find their way through the snows to the vallies. In some places cabins are entirely covered with snow, and the roofs of many have been crushed in, thus cutting off the last chance of protection. The accounts received may be greatly exaggerated—nevertheless, there is much suffering and distress, and it is not improbable that some may perish by starvation.

The U. S. Land Commissioners have resumed their session in this city and rendered several opinions and decrees of final confirmation. Among the most important is one confirming the claim of Col. John C. Fremont to "Las Mariposas," containing ten square leagues, bounded on the north by the Sierra Nevada, on the east by the river Chuachilles, on the south by the San Joaquin, and west by the Merced. The grant was made in 1844 by Gov. Micheltorena to Juan B. Alvarado, in consideration of important services rendered.

A man named William K. Jones was hung by the people a few days since, twelve miles above Sacramento, for the murder of Peter McGaffigan.

The Supreme Court of this State has rendered an important decision in relation to the validity of Mexican grants. The opinion is an able one, and was delivered by Justice Heydenfeldt, in the case of Vanderslice and Clarkson vs. Julien Hanks. This decision greatly affects much of the landed interest in this State. They have also delivered an opinion, declaring that J. Caleb Smith, ex-Judge of the Superior Court, was entitled to his salary as a Justice of that Court for three years from the time he was elected.

The Court was reorganized with but one Justice, instead of three; and at the election in 1851, Justice Sattertlee was elected. The decision gives Judge Smith a salary until April next, when the term for which he was elected by the Legislature will expire.

The New-England society celebrated the two hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the Landing of the Pilgrims in this city in fine style. An oration was delivered at the American Theater, and a splendid dinner served up at Wilson's Exchange.

A few days since we were visited with a terrible south-east gale, which prevailed for two days. Several light tenements were blown down, and some injury done to the shipping in the harbor. For a day or two, communication by stage with San José was cut off, owing to the sudden rise of the intermediate streams.

The members of the next Legislature are rapidly congregating in this city, preparatory to their meeting at Vallejo on Monday next. It is very uncertain whether the seat of Government will remain there during the winter. In the event of its removal, Benecia will probably be selected.

A contract has been made by the Common Council with Mr. J. B. M. Crooks to light the city within thirty days. The contract to remain in full force until Donahue's gas contract goes into operation.

Miss Catherine Hayes has given twelve concerts in this city, with great success. Her last concerts have been given in San Francisco Hall.

Signora Biscaccianti will commence her concerts in San Francisco Hall in a few days.

We have three theaters at present, all apparently flourishing. At the American Mr. James Stark is giving tragic delineations; at the Adelphi Mr. and Mrs. Baker are still managing that establishment, and the San Francisco Theater has recently been opened by Mr. J. B. Booth, lady and Chapman family.

We have dates from Oregon to Dec. 18. There was much ice running in the Columbia river, and the bark Ocean Bird and brig Hodgdon were frozen in near the mouth. The Legislature were in session, but were doing nothing of importance. The The Message of the Governor had been voted out of the Legislature by a majority of two votes.

Our dates from China are to Oct. 31st, and from the Sandwich Islands to Dec. 4. The news is not of much importance, though interesting.

Business in San Francisco.

Since the departure of the last mail, business has been extremely depressed. We have had almost continual rains, and the accounts from the mining regions represent affairs to be in a deplorable condition. The stocks of provisions are all but exhausted, and the roads are impassable. Purchases have been made in this market in the hope that the weather would improve, but, as yet, it has been growing from bad to worse, and the traders at the different accessible points have become quite discouraged. Attempts are constantly made to supply necessaries to the remote miners, but without success, and as long as matters continue thus, we cannot expect any impetus in trade, and must content ourselves with looking forward to the future and sympathizing with our less fortunate countrymen. In reviewing the transactions of the year now terminating, we cannot on the whole, be otherwise than gratified.

The first few month's trade was inactive, and the stocks were to certain extent large, but not in any way to the extent supposed. For many of the leading articles the low price ruling for a lengthened period, had engendered the idea that the market was continually to be overstocked, and the trading community generally were ignorant of the true state of affairs; the consequence has been that a few have availed themselves of statistical information, and succeeded in realizing large sums, and this has raised the question amongst the journalists throughout the State, as to whether the "screw" has not been too powerfully applied; upon this point we desire to say little. All are, more or less, eager to improve their pecuniary position, and thus the speculators in Flour may have been led to raise prices somewhat unduly, and to maintain them at the recent famine quotations.

The question admits of argument and the fact is evident that the value of an article being raised is the surest mode of producing a supply, and the parties who speculate upon their knowledge of the requirements of the country are fairly entitled to take a moderate advantage of such information. To shippers to this market the late speculative spirit has been favorable, and the result of the shipments during the past six months must have amply remunerated for the prior losses and given a confidence to the trade that augurs well for the future. The data to ascertain the consumption of articles are more perfect, and this being the case the business assumes a less speculative but more healthy aspect. For the ensuing year our hopes are buoyant. Stocks are light and an attentive observer can profit by knowledge to be obtained with ordinary trouble—in fact the goods received throughout the past year, have been in every way suitable to our wants, and there has consequently not been that glut of unsalable merchandise, the realization of which previously terminated so disastrously to all concerned.

The arrivals are comprised in 4 ships and 3 barks from New-York, 1 ship from Boston, 1 bark, 3 brigs and 3 schooners from Mexico, 1 bark, 7 brigs and 1 schooner from Chili, 3 brigs from Peru, 1 ship and 1 bark from England, 1 bark from China, 1 bark, 1 brig and 1 schooner from the Sandwich Islands, and 21 vessels of all classes from Oregon and the coast. [Daily Whig, Jan. 1.

Shipments of Specie per Northerner and Oregon.

Page, Bacon & Co.	$560,000	Flint, Peabody & Co.	22,574
Adams & Co.	350,000	J. B. Thomas	20,000
Burgoyne & Co.	300,000	Wyckoff & Co.	17,081
B. Davidson	140,800	Sanders & Brenham	13,549
Case, Heiser & Co.	70,000	Rising, Caselli & Co.	12,000
Drexel, Sather & Church	50,000	Jacobs & Levi	11,154
Tallant & Wilde	40,000	Spatz & Newhouse	10,500
Wells, Fargo & Co.	35,000	Other shippers	141,802
Crosby & Dibblee	25,928	Total	$1,821,387

The shipment of treasure on the 1st inst. is the smallest amount sent forward at any one time for many months. This deficiency in the gold export is temporary, and owing mainly to the danger and difficulty in bringing gold from the mines during the present inclement season.

Forefather's Day.

Forefather's day was duly and appropriately celebrated by the New-Englanders in San Francisco At 3 o'clock, P. M. the New-England Society, together with a large number of citizens in general, assembled in the American Theater. The stage was carpeted and on it were the officers of the Society, the orator of the day, &c., &c.

The ceremonies were opened by a few remarks from the President, Gen. James Wilson, after which, Rev. Mr. Williams addressed the throne of Divine Grace. The ode, "The Pilgrim Fathers" was then sung by a gentleman, who was accompanied on the piano by Mr. Geo. Loder.

Rev. T. Dwight Hunt, the orator of the day, then arose and delivered the oration. It was a masterly effort, full of high-toned thought and brilliant diction. It ran back over the history of the early settlers of the country, and was replete with ideas suggested by the review of that eventful period.

Rev. Mr. Brierly then made the concluding prayer, and the Society proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year.

Floods and Storms.

A San Francisco correspondent, under date of Jan. 1, writes:

"Your papers will inform you of the particulars of the awful suffering by the floods, the snow-storms in the mountains, and privation of food. Destitution, misery and ruin is the lot of thousands. Our city is rapidly filling up by miners fortunate enough to be able to get here. Gold seems a poor protection against these vicissitudes, and a still poorer substitute for even potatoes to the famished man.

"Last Sunday a cold and tedious rain-storm of some days' duration broke up. Our rain had been heavy, snow in the higher range of mountains, and penetrating to within some five or six miles of the city. The panoramic view from our high hills was magnificent in the extreme. Far as the eye could reach, in nearly every direction, lay the glistening crystals, enshrouding all the high mountains, and old Monte Diavolo, distant some forty or fifty miles in an air line, towering above all the rest, seeming as if he had taken up his line of march toward us, so near did he appear in his white mantle—while we were standing on the fresh-springing green sward. Forgetting that our "water privileges" are rather full, and the mud market very heavy, this is a delightful winter region.

"Our last accounts from above represent the snows to be melting, with rain, and a continual rise. Sacramento was in a very precarious condition, by yesterday's account, and serious apprehension is entertained of its entire submersion."

Latest from Sacramento—Prospect of a complete Inundation.

From The Sacramento Union of Dec. 31.

The warm and unprecedentedly heavy rains of the last forty-eight hours have brought down upon us an avalanche of water from the snowy regions skirting the forks of the American River, and swollen the latter stream to a greater height than at any former period of the present season. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning the water was even with its natural banks, and soon after commenced flowing over and percolating through the unfinished embankments at the gaps of the old levee. These were speedily torn away by the force of the current, and the water, now rushing on unobstructed, poured through the breach of the new levee, and so on, down toward the city. By dusk last evening that portion of the town lying south of J and east of Fifth-sts., was entirely submerged, to the depth of from one to three feet.

During the whole of yesterday the rain poured down in torrents, and the weather was warmer than we have known it for a month past. The American River continued to rise, up to a very late hour, and, at last accounts, was eleven and a half feet higher than on Wednesday. It is useless to deny the fact that the highest mark has not yet been reached, for there is a great body of snow that, under the influence of the present storm, must dissolve, and find its way to the Sacramento. The latter stream also rose steadily during Thursday, but still lacks some two feet of being up to the top of the levee. There is no danger whatever of the embankment yielding at any point in front of the city—the only danger to be apprehended is that it may not prove sufficiently high to retain the stream within its appropriate bounds. Throughout yesterday workmen were incessantly employed all along the American River levee, strengthening those places where there was the slightest inescurity, and guarding every point affected by the current.

A small breach was discovered early yesterday morning in the new levee, near Dudley's farm, but it was repaired before any damage was done.

There was a rumor prevailing last evening that Lisle's bridge had been swept away, but it could be traced to no reliable source.

Everybody is busily engaged in making preparations to meet the anticipated flood. Merchants, shopkeepers, and all having valuable property on the ground floor, are raising them above high-water mark—boats are moored at the doors—vehicles, of every description, stock, grain, tents, hay, provisions, and people are crowded together on the public square, and every available dry nook and corner is occupied.

On some accounts, an overflow at the present time is preferable to the unfathomable mud that has filled the streets and rendered them almost impassable for the last week. Goods of all descriptions can certainly be transported more readily and easily. Teamsters from the interior can load up at the doors of the stores and convey their effects to the high land beyond the fort, where they can be transferred in dry order to their wagons. We fear, however, that some damage may be done the foundation of brick buildings and the frail tenements scattered over the town, should the flood prove as severe as anticipated.

Great Flood at Stockton—Loss of Property.

The Stockton Journal brings us full accounts of the recent disasters in that place. The freshet commenced on Saturday morning, it having previously rained for over sixty hours; the wind meanwhile blowing from the South-east in fitful, hurricane blasts.

During Saturday the rain and wind continued, and before night the rolling current had obtained such strength as to convince every one that the city was bound to suffer. At sunset the water had spread over the upper portion of the town, coursing down the small ravine that crosses Main-street in the rear of the Cottage Home, and striking Weber-avenue opposite Lippencot and Vaughn's. At this time also the water swept down the main channel of the river with tremendous force, bearing along timber and fences, and at length sweeping off the house known as Mr. Wm. Brush's vegetable dépôt. The force of this building destroyed the foot-bridge connecting Hunter-street, and this accumulated mass of timber rushed with the current against the bridge in front of Murphy and Fergerson's, breaking down and destroying that well-known structure, which has been so useful and ornamental to the city. *The Journal* continues the account as follows:

The water did no further damage on Saturday night, and on Sunday there was no perceptible rise until evening, when it commenced rising very rapidly, and at dark the water was higher than ever before in Stockton, and still it continued to advance.

About 9 o'clock, one side of the store of Messrs. Landin & Compton gave way and fell into the stream, but lodging against the bridge, did no further damage than tearing off some of the timbers, and perhaps destroying some goods that were left in the room.

On Hunter-st., Nelson's Syrup Manufactory was blown down, the front of the Engine House torn off, and the sidewalks washed off.

On Market-st. the crossing and sidewalk was carried away.

The water attained its highest elevation at about 10 o'clock on Sunday night, at which time the flood was all over the city, in almost every store, and washing through all the streets. The city looked like a vast lake in which there floated a fleet of houses at anchor. The moon looked down from her star-lit path and saw reflected another sky, blue as cerulean, crowned with the stars of night, and studded with the myriad orbs that glitter above our heads and beyond our reach. Like a shadow it stole away, and when the dawn broke the pressure of the flood was gone.

What misery and suffering are gone with it, who can tell!

The most serious disaster has been the destruction of the lower wall of Mr. Montgomery's well known auction store, on the Levee. This is an abode-building, with an outside wall of brick, which had been regarded as durable as any structure in the city. The pelting rains, however, completely soaked the walls, and about two o'clock on Saturday one of the walls gave way, and fell with a crash.

Mr. Brush's loss, by the destruction of his vegetable dépôt building, is about $2,500.

All the cellars in Stockton are filled up with water from the unexpected rise on Sunday night, and we apprehend the cisterns are very nigh as full of mud and dirt as could be desired.

Some very kind gentlemen, on Sunday, procured boats, and in the course of the evening many families, who had been confined within doors for twenty-four hours, were relieved from their uncomfortable positions by being removed from the overflowed portion into the heart of the city.

Great Flood at Marysville.

We learn by *The Union* that both the Yuba and Feather rivers have risen to a greater hight than was ever known before, and as a consequence, Marysville is a severe sufferer. The amount of damage could not be fully ascertained on Sunday morning, but it was undoubtedly considerable. On Friday night the danger commenced. Part of the brick building of Messrs. Jewitt, Cheeseman & Co., fell in with a crash, breaking through the roof of, and almost demolishing an adjoining wooden building, occupied as a store. On the same evening the heavy front of the United States Hotel, on D-street, made a desperate effort to fall into the street, and partially succeeded. These buildings are entirely above high water mark, and it was feared on Sunday that the fine block of brick buildings on the lower part of the town would be entirely ruined by the flood, as the water had reached nearly to their second story. The Camanche discharged her freight Saturday upon the bank at the foot of C-street in the upper part of the town. The Urilda on Sunday lay tied to the awning posts of the stores on the east side of the plaza.

Quartz Mining.

The district in the vicinity of Grass Valley is singularly rich in gold bearing quartz, and the few mills now at work, which have had the benefit of practical experience, are said to be doing well. We regard quartz mining as being yet in its infancy, and when science shall have been brought to the successful aid of experience, the most gratifying results may be confidently expected. Among the most successful mills now in operation at Grass Valley is that of the Helvetia & La Fayette Company, of which Mr. Conway is President. It has twelve claims of eighty feet each, on Gold Hill, together with a large number of other rich localities. The mill has eighteen of the largest size stampers, driven by a steam-engine of 30 horse power, and capable of crushing from 35 to 40 tuns per day of quartz yielding from $60 to $75 per tun. We are informed that Dr. Bacon, of the Company referred to, during four months took out *over one hundred thousand dollars*! and the vein is still improving. Two of the largest shareholders—Drs. Bacon and Delavan—leave on the steamer to-day, on a visit to the Atlantic States, on business connected with the Company. [Times and Transcript.

Later from Nevada.

From the Sacramento Union of the 14th.

Judge A. C. Monson returned from Nevada last evening at which place he has been holding a term of the Court of the 10th Judicial District during the last ten days. We are indebted to him for the following interesting information.

On Tuesday evening a party of eighteen men arrived at Nevada from Downieville in a most deplorable condition, half starved, and severely frost bitten. There are a portion of the able bodied citizens of that place, some seventy of whom have already left in consequence of the extreme scarcity of provisions. They report that the greatest destitution prevails in that place. The season is terribly inclement—inhabitants buried in snow, and scarcely any provisions in the market. There are but *one hundred and fifty pounds* of flour in the place, and of pork, beans and meal, absolutely none.

At Nevada on Tuesday morning, a tremendous storm was raging, and the snow was deeper than at any time the present year. The storm extended down to within 20 miles of Marysville, where snow lay to the depth of a foot. The roads are in an awful condition, and it was with the greatest difficulty that the stage succeeded in getting through to Marysville. An immense number of teams heavily laden with freight were passed on the road. Provisions at Nevada are plenty but very high.

Two miners came into Nevada on Monday for provisions from diggings *forty* miles above that place, where they had been making a $100 *per diem* to the man. During the previous week they had been subsisting upon raw deer's meat, and sleeping upon the snow. A single companion was left to guard the claim during their absence. Judge M. was shown a number of their specimens, which he pronounces exceedingly beautiful. The men, to all inquiries in relation to the *locale* of their diggings, maintain a profound silence.

The next news from the snow diggings is anxiously looked for, as the sufferings and hardships endured by the people there must, of necessity, be on the increase, particularly as the weather since our last advices from that section has been more inclement than during any previous period the present season.

Married,

In San Francisco on the 25th Dec., Mr. O. W. Hatheway to Mrs. Julia Brown.

Dec. 24, Mr. Rufus K. Porter to Mrs. Sophia Moody, all of San Francisco.

In Oregon City, on the 2d Dec., Mr. William L. Thompson and Miss Sarah Jane Bentley, all of Oregon City.

At the Dalles, O. T., Nov. 4, Mr. M. D. Labounsorbeer, of Sacramento, California, to Miss Minerva Tompkins, of Iowa.

In Portland, O. T., on the 15th Dec., John Powell to Miss Martha Ann Mellorn.

On the 4th Dec., at Yamhill Co., O. T., J. R. McBride, of said county, to Miss E. M. Adams, late of Galesburg, Ill.

Nov. 28, William Fletcher Parrott to Miss Harriet Hunman, both of Lafayette, Yamhila Co., O. T., formerly of Indiana.

At Buteville, O. T., on the 9th Dec., Justin Chenoweth to Miss Mary Henrietta Vickers.

In Sacramento City, on the 25th Dec., Mr. Julius Politz to Mrs. Alice Prettyman, all of Sacramento.

At Nicolaus, Sutter Co., on the 12th Dec. Mr. Hiram Green, of Placer, Co., to Mrs. Nancy McCormick, of same place.

In San Jose, Dec. 5, J. E. D. Johnson to Miss Rebecca Gray.

In Stockton, Dec. 16, Mr. Makendree Jones, to Miss Sarah J. Simmons.

In Placerville, on Monday evening, 13th Dec., Mr. John Gould and Mrs. Frances Hankinson.

In Sonoma, 14th Dec., Mr. Commodore Elliott, of Santa Rosa, to Miss America Moore of that place.

At the same time and place, Mr. Abner Elliott to Miss Henrietta Parker.

On the 2d Dec., Mr. John W. Kisling to Miss Mary Dolan, adopted daughter of Judge Corbett of San Francisco.

In Honolulu, Dec. 1st, at the residence of Capt. Brown, in Nuuanu Valley, Capt. John P. Hempstead of New-London, Conn. to Miss Harriet Layman of West Australia, New Holland.

Died.

In Stockton, on Wednesday, Dec. 22, at the office of H. Aueys, Esq., Wm. R. A. McGlaney, aged 22 years, formerly of Augusta Co., Va.

At Chilson Gulch, of Chagres fever, on Saturday, 4th Dec., Solon Douglass, of Orleans Co., N. Y., aged about 20 years.

At Vellecito, on Nov. 23, of small pox, Samuel Williamson, of Mississippi, aged 33.

In Oregon City, on the 26th Nov. Mrs. Rebecca H., wife of Mr. Charles Albright, of Peoria, Ill., in the 39th of her age.

In Salem, O. T., Nov. 19, of typoid fever, Mrs. Atilia, wife of Dr. James D. McCandy, aged 23 years.

At the residence of B. Jennings, at the foot of Clackamas Rapids, Clackamas Co., O. T.—on the 10th Dec., of typhoid fever, J. W. M. Howey, late immigrant from Pike Co., Ill.

In Portland, of croup and lung fever, on the 6th Dec., Lincinda, daughter of Thomas and Phebe Stephens, aged four years.

In Clackamas county, O T., Dec. 13, Victoria, daughter of Rev. Clinton, and Maria Kelly, aged 3 years and 11 months.

In Clackamas county, O. T. Dec. 4th, William A. Kern son of William and Eliza Korn, aged 3 years and 7 months.

Dec. 21st, at the head of Wood's Creek, two miles east of Columbia, Even T. Evans, in the 36th year of his age. The deceased was from the city of Utica, N. Y.

On the way from Jackson to Sacramento, on the 13th Dec. Mr. Henry S. Bennett, late of Jackson and formerly of Michigan. He leaves a family in that State.

Near Placerville, on the 26th Dec. J. J. Chase, formerly of Atkinson, Mo. aged 24.

In Sacramento City, on the evening of the 27th Dec. Mrs. Augusta, wife of Ephraim Smith, aged 23.

At his residence, the "Mountain Cottage," on the 23d Dec. at 9 P. M., Col. Wm. Prentice, late of Shelbyville, Shelby county, Ill. where the family now resides.

In Placerville, on the morning of the 11th Dec., after a protracted illness, Mr. P. Phipps, aged about 42 years.

At French Camp, 10th Dec., Mr. H. H. Philliber, of Selby County, Mo., aged 25.

Ship James Moore reports the death at Honolulu, of Truman B. Stephens, of consumption. He belonged to Newtown, Long Island, New-York.

Killed by a whale, in the Ochotsk Sea, on the 16th August, last, Wm. H. Holmes, first officer of ship Hellespont, aged 29 years. He was buried the following day on the western shore of Kamscatska.

In Honolulu, November 26, the youngest son of W. Crawford.

In Honolulu, November 28, Col. W. A. Baker, of Sacramento, Cal., and late of New-Orleans. He had visited the Islands in failing health.

In Honolulu, Nov. 27, Capt. Birth, of New-London, master of ship Vesper. A large number of ship-masters attended his funeral.

On board the steamer Golden Gate—Dec. 10, T. S. Beck, aged 20 years, from Indiana. Dec. 13, Theodore Beck, aged 14 years, from Indiana. Dec. 12, Josh Hairman, aged 35 years, from New-York. Dec. 14, Lemuel Rowell, aged 21 years, from Waterloo, Illinois. Dec. 16, Helen Evans, colored, aged 35 years, from Boston, Mass.

In San Francisco, on the evening of the 15th Dec., of tetanus, at the residence of Captain James Gardiner, Captain James Mitchell Douglas, of the British brig Isle of Wight, of Glasgow, aged 32 years—deeply and sincerely regretted by all who knew him.

At Missouri Bar, South Fork American River, Dec. 6, very suddenly, of apoplexy, J. H. Lyman, of Albany, in the 24th year of his age.

In Sonoma Valley, Nov. 13, aged 36, Mary, the wife of William Lloyd, late of 8th-av., New-York.

At Goodyear's Bar, Dec. 6, John Mount, aged about 27 years, formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio.

In Marysville, December 12, Dennis Buckley, of consumption.

Of consumption, at Benicia, on the 8th inst., Edmund C. Kennedy, aged 28 years, son of the late Commodore Kennedy, of the U. S. Navy.

In San Francisco, on the 17th Dec., within a few hours of each other, Mr. Edward A. Alderman and George Alderman, brothers, formerly of Florida. Disease, small pox.

On the road between Panama and Cruces, Dec. 4, Jas. B. Hule, son of D. G. W. and Sallie E. Hule, of San Francisco.

In Sacramento, Dec. 17, at the residence of Mr. Samuel Rich, Penelope C., wife of William T. Henry, Esq., and daughter of General William R. Smith, of Mineral Point, Wisconsin.

At Georgetown, El Doredo County, Jane, wife of Riley Steward, aged 44 years.

On board steamship Winfield Scott, Dec. 19—John Meyers, of New-York; 21st, Charles Folsom, of Jefferson, Me.; 24th, C. P. Reynolds, of Bangor, Maine; 30th, J. Lallimans, of San Francisco.

In San Francisco, Dec. 30—Phebe, wife of James Wilcox, late of Sydney, aged 54 years.

On the 28th Dec., at the Rasette House, Miss Ellen Smith, of New-Orleans, aged 17 years, of consumption.

In Sacramento City, Dec. 30, Freeman B. Howes, of Barnstable, Mass., aged 54.

In Sacramento City, Dec. 29, Mr. Cyril C. Cady, of liver complaint. Mr. Cady was a native of Massachusetts, but was for several years connected with the newspaper press of St. Louis, Mo.

In Sacramento City, Dec. 29, of intermittent fever, Ferdinand Helton, from Rockland, Maine, aged 35 years.

Interments in San Francisco from December 12 to Dec. 23.—Dec. 17,—Tranta, France, 35 years; Wm. Putnam, Arkansas, 3 years.

Dec. 13, John Burke, England, 45 years; Child of Lucy Jewett, 6 days; Mrs. Harriet Pace, England, 36 years; J. J. Reese, Iowa, 56 years; M. A. B. Risley, France, 50 years; Joseph Eagles, Baltimore, 36 years.

Dec. 14, Timothy C. Mansfield, Vermont, 26 years.

Dec. 15, J. Jacob, Penn, 37 years; Henry Cash, Germany, 26 years; Wm. Roberts, London, 27 years; George M. Adler, Boston, 36 years.

Dec. 16, Captain Jas. M. Douglass, Glasgow, 32.

Dec. 17, Arthur Hagan, Ireland, 36; Edw. G. Alderman, Florida, 36; Geo. Alderman, Florida, 25; Theresa Cady, San Francisco, 8 months; J. S. Sandwin, New-York, 40 years; Sydney Baker, North Carolina, 22; A. Zimmerman, Denmark, 57.

Dec. 18, James Tracy, Philadelphia, 20; John Lyons, New-York, 20; Cornelius Boyle, St. Louis, Mo., 50; Chas. Mitchell, New-York, 35; Chas. S. McNeal, Penn, 25.

Dec. 19, Charles Monfier, Tahiti, 24; Mary Hargrove, of San Francisco, aged 2 years.

Dec. 20, Geo. Hubbard, Springfield, 27; Henry L. May, San Francisco, 4 months.

Dec. 21, Pierre Lubion, France, 27; Mark Carpenter, Kentucky, 22.

Dec. 22, Hiram Pierce, Canada, 23; Jas. H. Wilmah, New-York, 45; Wm. Potter, Sandwich Islands, 56.

Dec. 23, Samuel Carman, New-York, 29.

Dec. 24, —— Thoms, France, 29; Alcide Blank, France, 39; Thomas Haley, Ireland, 21; John S. Clatworthy, West Indies, 24.

Dec. 25, Wm. Kelley, Ireland, 35; Henry H. Hunt, Ohio, 41; —— Costello, France, 45; Edward O'Conner, Ireland, 40; Thomas Hall, Scotland, 50.

Deaths in Sacramento for two weeks ending Dec. 26.—F. M. Smith, 46, New-York; Stranger, 40, Pennsylvania; Chas. Miller, 56, New-York; E. D. Perkins, 27, Ohio; Thomas J. Stearns, 22, Vermont; Penelope C. Henry, 24, Mineral Point, Wis; Edward Emery, 5; Joshua Draper, 49, South Carolina; Charles Adams, 22, Michigan; Spanish child, (infant,) Sacramento City; T. M. Weir, 22, Indiana; Peter McGaffie, 34, Pennsylvania; John H. Hayes, 24, Wisconsin.

Review of the Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, Jan. 1.

Since the sailing of the last steamer, this entire country has been visited by a succession of storms, accompanied by heavy falls of both rain and snow in different localities. Out door occupations in this city have been greatly interfered with by the weather, it being found almost impossible for the vessels in the harbor and at the wharves to discharge their cargoes, while all goods forwarding to the interior by the river boats have been liable to serious damage.

Similar accounts have also been received from Oregon, the temptation of this market having reduced the shipment of any supposed surplus of flour and grain until the people of that country are compelled to look to San Francisco for a return of some articles of their own exportation and shipments are now being made here of both flour and barley to that region.

The amount of business transacted with us has not been large, yet we cannot report the market as quiet—indeed, all the movements are watched with great anxiety, as the confidence is universal that a short respite of the bad weather will occasion such a demand for all descriptions of goods as will fully sustain prices and open the door to speculation.

The arrivals since our last have been as follows: 13 vessels from domestic ports; 9 from Western Atlantic, 10 from South America, and 15 from other foreign ports. With the exception of flour, there has been no receding in prices, for the reason to which we have above adverted, yet many vessels from both Europe and our own shipping ports are overdue, and unless we should have a change of weather sufficient to admit of goods being sent forward, we apprehend that the effect will be to cause a general decline in prices for a time.

BACON—The stock on hand is heavy and the article of dull sale. We quote gammies at 11@12c., with a sufficient supply for three months.

BUILDING MATERIALS—The demand for bricks, lime and cement has been very much checked of late. Contracts for the erection of buildings to a very large extent have been given out, and opportunity is all that will be required to cause an active business to be done.

BEANS—The importations have been heavy and prices have declined to 4c., at which but light sales have been effected. We look for a further decline: received, 4,862 bags.

CANDLES—There has been merely a fair demand, principally for Adamantines; prices steady. We quote them at 31½@38c.; Sperm at 38c.; Judd's patent, 40c.; received of all kinds, 1,500 boxes.

COAL—The receipts of this article enable us to speak of it with more accuracy as to quantity. We estimate the stock on hand, 1st July, to have been, of all kinds.....3,000 tuns.

Our advices apprise us that but little is being sent on speculation, shipments being principally upon orders for steamship companies. We quote $30 for English and Scotch, $22@24 for Lackawanna. Received of bituminous, 1,253 tuns; anthracite, 1,209 tuns.

CORDAGE AND ROPE—The principal stocks are in few hands, the demand is limited and prices declining. Sales of 16,000 pounds eastern made Manilla, at 20c. Received 63 packages, 51 coils.

COFFEE—The market remains firm at our former rates except Java, we do not look for any change until the arrival of fresh lots, which may be expected early in February. Sales of Costa Rica at 21c.; Manilla, 20@21c; Java, 17@18c. Received 1st bags and 1,060 lbs.

DRY GOODS—The business doing is limited, and prices can hardly be quoted at the present time with any certainty. Desirable prints are scarce and in demand. Stocks of Sheetings and Drills heavy. The receipts have been moderate, but the quantity on the way is known to be large.

FLOUR—The importations of this article for the past fortnight amount in all to about 13,000 full sacks and barrels. Notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather, the shipments to the interior have within the last week, been quite heavy, the principal freights going forward being Flour and Potatoes. We have also noticed small shipments of the former to Oregon, which led us to believe that our supplies from that quarter will cease entirely, and we should not be surprised if Oregon in return should draw upon us. A fair estimate of the present stock on hand and on shipboard would probably not vary much from 13,000 bbls; undoubtedly the stock remaining on hand on the 15th instant will 6,000 bbls. has been consumed. Should the weather improve, and the roads to the mines become passable, we may expect a sudden rise in this article, as the quantity due here from the Atlantic States during the coming month, will not sum up more than 12,000 bbls., while nearly all the shipments that had been made from Chili up to the latest dates, have already arrived. Should the weather continue unfavorable, we can look for no advance in prices. As will be observed by our quotations, the rates current at our last issue have not been sustained, occasioned by the extent of receipts within a few days, and the difficulties in the way of preventing an accumulation of our stocks. We quote $29@$31 for Chili in large lots; $36@$38 for Gallego and Haxall.

GRAIN.—The importations of Barley during the month have been very heavy, and the market has receded somewhat. Consignees of arrivals are very firm, but no transactions of moment have taken place for some days, operators not being willing to take hold at present asking rates. We expect to see a renewal of business take place at a decline; but, as this is a favorite article of speculation, and the prospect in favor of a brisk demand, we look for no material reduction. Small lots are being sold at 3½c., which is also the asking price for large parcels. We hear of an offer of 3½c. being refused for 600,000 lbs.; received, 36,086 bags. The receipts of Chile Wheat have also been large. Recent arrivals remain in first hands, the demand for sowing purposes having been temporarily checked by bad weather. Holders show great firmness, and we think prices will be sustained. Sales of Chile and Oregon seed in small lots at 12½@14c.; milling at 9c.; received, 4,811 bags. Oats have declined, a large lot being offered on the market at 4c., at which some small sales have been made. Best North River Oats, in bbls., are jobbing at 4½c.; received, 850 bags, 1,209 bbls. There is scarcely anything doing in Corn; received, 592 bags, 3 bbls.

LUMBER—The market for all descriptions is exceedingly flat. The receipts of Oregon have been very heavy, and there is no opportunity to relieve stocks. Eastern is in good demand and scarce. A sale of 175,000 feet ex Mary and Jane, Boston shelving and boards, was made a day or two since, at $95. Another sale of 50,000 feet white pine was made at $90@$110, according to quality; 65,000 feet yellow pine flooring at $335. All descriptions of ship plank and timber are scarce and high.

PROVISIONS—There is a fair business doing in all descriptions, with the prospect of a very active demand before long. We anticipate an improvement in Butter, Hams and Lard, as the quantities to arrive within ninety days fall short of the estimated consumption. A continuance of bad weather and the arrival of some lots may depress the market temporarily, but we see every reason to suppose that prices will improve. We refer to our price current for quotations. Receipts have been as follows: Bacon, 125 bbds. and tcs., 125 half bbls.; Butter, 659 pkgs, 43 kegs, 546 firkins, 16 bbls. and 378 casks; Cheese, 41 cases and 10 casks; Hams, 513 casks, 560 tcs. and 250 bbls.; Lard, 100 kegs, 503 boxes, 8 hhds. and 910 pkgs; Pork, 500 bbls and 480