and Water Works and that he was found guilty of the charge, and was sentenced to be hanged on the 4th inst. The Sheriff then proceeded to execute the sentence of the law, but the prisoner, by his counsel, produced a writ of error, which was issued, returnable at Sacramento, and the Sheriff was compelled to stay the execution. The case will be argued before the Supreme Court of California, which is now in session at Sacramento. The prisoner is a native of Germany, and has been in this country but a few months. He is a man of good education, and has been a merchant in Germany. He is a man of very prepossessing appearance, and has a wife and family in Germany, who are now on their way to this country. The case is one of great importance, and has created a great deal of excitement in this city. The prisoner was defended by Messrs. Hoge and Lake, two of our most eminent lawyers, and the prosecution was conducted by the District Attorney, Mr. Hepburn, assisted by Mr. Lake, Mr. Hoge, and Mr. Shattuck. The trial occupied three days, and the speeches of the counsel were very able and eloquent. The prisoner was defended on the ground that he was insane at the time he committed the act, and that he was not responsible for his actions. The jury were out about two hours, and brought in a verdict of "Guilty of manslaughter, and recommended to the mercy of the Court." The Judge, in passing sentence, said that the jury had taken a merciful view of the case, and he should do so, too, in pronouncing the sentence of the law, which was, that the prisoner be hanged by the neck until dead, on the 4th of November, and that the Sheriff should carry the sentence into execution. The counsel for the prisoner have given notice that they will carry the case to the Supreme Court of the United States, if the decision of the Supreme Court of California should be against them. The prisoner