

been able to give it, and in the hands of the Sheriff—his health, so his physicians say, not permitting his removal as a prisoner.

SUMMARY OF THE FORTNIGHT'S NEWS.

In our own State, few events of more than ordinary interest have transpired. Frequent showers throughout the State have been of immense benefit to the growing crops, and although the yield this year will be far below the average, there are a few weeks ago.

The time, as usual, continues to yield up their golden treasures. Fewer accounts of "big strikes" are chronicled as time advances, but the diggings generally are paying quite as well as ever.

At the annual report of the Bishop, it appears that two new churches were consecrated during the year. The Masonic fraternity have held a Convention at the capital, and the Odd Fellows another in this city.

General good health prevails all over the State. The number of arrests made by the city police during the month of April was 462; of these 185 were discharged and 277 committed to prison.

Edward M. Hayes, an old California pioneer, died in this city, on the 7th inst., aged 81 years. He was a native of Vermont, and a member of Pennsylvania Fire Company; a man universally known and respected.

A desperado, named Charley Pratt, who stabbed a man known as Dutch Barclay, some weeks ago, was arrested, after a desperate and long chase, by the Hon. Edward Stanley, who had been appointed by the Board of Supervisors to act as City and County Attorney, in the civil courts, with a salary of \$4,000 per annum, has declined the appointment.

The seventh anniversary of the S. F. Baptist Association was held at the Washington Baptist Church on the 9th inst. Nineteen Churches are embraced in the Association, ten of which were represented.

The Treasurer of the Charitable Fund reports its condition as follows: Amount loaned on bond and mortgage, including interest one on \$36,802 30; cash on hand, loan, \$14,678 51. Total, \$51,480 81.

Deaths. In San Francisco, Tuesday evening, May 31st, at the residence of A. S. Gould, by the Rev. B. B. Brierly, James C. H. Bland, aged 50 years.

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It is said Rodriguez advanced to speak to Crabbe, when the Americans opened fire and killed the Mexican commander and several others. The Mexicans immediately retreated—some to the mountains, but the majority to the church, and at the time Crabbe entered state of defense, and had the Mexicans roasting woe in front of it, to feed the Mexican troops.

It appears that here occurred Crabbe's first and fatal mistake. Instead of at once charging and taking the church, which would have given him the time to fire on the houses on the corner of the Plaza, in front of the church.

The Mexicans at first deserted the most of the town, but gradually being emboldened, returned and gradually hemmed the Americans in. Fighting continued eight days, with a loss on the American side of twenty-five killed. The Mexican loss is reported to have been much greater, as high as 300.

By breaking through the walls of the adjoining houses, the Mexicans forced Crabbe and his men into the corner of a building, where they were surrounded by the Americans as often extinguished. At last, a Papago Indian shot into the roof of the main building, occupied by the unhappy filibusters, a lighted arrow. The flames caught the roof, and in a few moments the fire was dropping in great flakes upon the heads of the doomed men within.

McGrath, the Irishman, and others who have come in since, although they were not long after I had left, a party of Mexican troops, 25 in number, arrived at the Pueblo of Sonoma, and on learning that the Americans were at my house, proceeded thither, surrounded the same, captured the inmates while asleep, bound them, and at early dawn took the four Americans out and shot them.

These are the principal facts as given to me, and, in the main, I believe them to be true. Look at the affair from beginning to end, turn it over as you please, it is heart-rending—heart-sickening. There may be a mystery relating to the negotiations, but that is not to be examined.

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equal number you could have selected. They could not in fact give any clear account of the plan or purpose of their leader.

Some days after my arrival here, an Irishman traveling under a passport, the British Consul at Guayaquil, who had happened to arrive at Cavayes about the same time as the Americans, and was detained under the surveillance of a guard until we took place, and gives me the following account. That on or about April 21st, he and Crabbe and party entered Cavayes, and scattering fire commenced on both sides, the troops and inhabitants gradually retreating to the outskirts, leaving the Americans in possession of the greater portion of the town.

Mr. Crabbe was taken to the front of the house where he fought his last battle, and standing, his hands behind his back, a Mexican then cut off his head with a knife and carried it across the street to the office of the Juez, where it was placed on a table to satiate the gaze of his captors and his death.

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voet has sailed for Vancouver's Island. Capt. Prevost has been appointed Chief Commissioner by the Queen to settle, in conjunction with the United States Commissioners, the Oregon Boundary question.

Up to the departure of the mail of May 31st, no overtures had been made by the new administration to Mr. Bowlin, the Resident Minister of the United States, for a settlement of the existing difficulties between the two governments.

Mr. Bowlin was to have left Bogota on the 29th, and on the 26th he was expected to return to Lima, on his way to the United States, about the 10th of June.

For the expenses of Panama, according to the law of April 27, 1856, \$20,000. The Chamber of Representatives has decided on impeaching the Procurador General of the Nation before the Senate for nonperformance of his duty.

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the second week of the present month. In the total produce market the great activity prevailed. Sugar was selling \$7 25 to \$7 50 per 100 lbs. Molasses 40 to 41 per cent the gallon. The health of the island was good.

The intelligence from Antigua is of no importance. The island had been blessed with seasonal and refreshing showers. Almost nightly heavy soaking vegetation. Many estates had taken advantage of the measure to put in their plants for the next year's crop, although at the sacrifice in most cases of a few days' grinding, the wind for which had been more favorable.

In St. Lucia the complaint is the rapid increase of crime, and the Press is busily occupied in discussing the necessity of preventive measures. No less than 100 prisoners were in custody for attempting to take away life. A favorable change had taken place in the weather.

Several convictions had taken place in Dominica for the evasion and refusal of payment of rum duties, among the number the arch-rogue, Mr. Leatham, who has rendered himself notorious in resistance of the law, which, however, has proved stronger than his opposition.

A shock of an earthquake occurred in Grenada on the evening of the 30th inst., which caused much alarm. It lasted about thirty minutes. The mortality in the transport of the bodies of St. Lucia had been very great, not less than 91, out of 375, having fallen under sickness. Another ship was expected with 400 more.

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ton officiated, after which the remains were taken to Greenwood. The flags of the City Hall were at half mast all day, on account of his funeral and that of Mr. Taylor.

HER ACESSE ACCOUNTED FOR.—We recently published the fact that a young lady had suddenly disappeared from Ashland, Greene County, upon whose account there was considerable alarm among her friends for fear that she had been foully dealt with.

ANOTHER ALLEGED SLAYER.—The Mail and a fore-and-aft schooner, was taken this morning by the Washington cutter, about 4 o'clock, out of Sandy Hook. A steaming towed her up the morning, in a party of Federal officers. The Mail and a crew of about 400 tons; has no captain on board, and is manned by Portuguese and Spanish. She had no cargo—only provisions, wood and water—and she is doubtless a slaver.

During the past month or two a number of diamond rings have mysteriously disappeared from the jewelry establishment of Messrs. Tiffany & Co., on Broadway, the clerk being unable in any way to account for the loss otherwise than that the property was stolen by a gang of persons known as shoplifters.

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