

THE SHASTA COURIER.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 14, 1853.

SAN FRANCISCO AGENCY.—E. R. Robinson, Esq., will hereafter act as Agent for the *Shasta Courier* in San Francisco. We take pleasure in recommending Mr. R. to the favor of the San Francisco merchants. They may be fully assured that all business orders for the *Courier* left with him will be faithfully attended to. Office in the "Union Hotel."

Publication of Official and Legal Notices.
As the act recently passed by the California Legislature, entitled "An Act to provide for the better publication of Official and Legal Notices," has called forth more bitter animadversion from a respectable portion of the press than any law of the present session, we publish it in full on our first page.

We have refrained heretofore from expressing an opinion in regard to this law, for the very good reason that we had not seen a copy of it up to the time of going to press last week. True, we enjoyed the privilege of reading sundry articles denouncing the law in the most unmeasured terms of bitterness. But as the writers of those articles have during the entire winter unceasingly abused everything and everybody connected with the Legislature and Government of California, we did not of course attach any very great weight to their expressions of censure.

While we cannot give the law our full approval, we are free to confess that in some respects it cannot fail to work to the advantage of the people at large. It will undoubtedly fully accomplish the object at which it ostensibly aims, viz: a "better publication of official and legal notices" throughout the State than we have had heretofore. This of itself would justify many many objectionable features. Every one is aware of the fact that heretofore valuable property has frequently been sacrificed through failure of the proper officer to make a suitable publication of the same. Under the present law no such thing is likely to happen.

It also provides that all official and legal notices shall be published at a cost of about fifty per cent. less than heretofore—a provision which, we fear, will prevent the unhappy papers below from exciting that sympathy in the breasts of the people which at present they seem so much to desire, as well as save the favored press from that fiery indignation of the public which, it is said, will speedily burst forth.

Nevertheless the law should never have been enacted, inasmuch as it deprives certain business men of rights vested in them by immemorial usage. It is essentially anti-democratic and justly subjects the Legislature to the charge of legislating for a few persons in opposition to the interests of others. It tends to monopolize in the hands of a portion of the press, a certain description of business which was heretofore possessed by all in common. We are uncompromisingly opposed to almost all manner of monopolies. They are violative of all our ideas of democracy and equality. We are opposed to protecting, by legislative enactment, men engaged either in printing newspapers or printing calicoes. We would have free trade and equal privileges, as near as may be, in all branches of business.

Besides, the professed and great object of the law would have been fully accomplished, if the name of no newspaper had been mentioned in the act. It ought to have simply provided that all official and legal notices in the counties composing certain districts should be published in some paper in the same district. This would not have interfered with the business of any newspaper concern, as the present law does.

The act is of but little benefit to us—giving us no more than we had before—forcing us to do the legal publishing for half our usual rates—and then demanding for this munificence that we furnish the various County Clerks of the State with six hundred dollars' worth of four papers!

THE APPORTIONMENT BILL.—The Assembly apportionment bill has passed that body, giving each county in the State one member of Assembly, and adopting the same Senatorial districts as contained in Senator Sprague's bill. The bill is not right or equitable, as is evidenced by the fact that it gives the county of Tulare, with a population of 200, 1 member, while Shasta, with 4000 inhabitants is allowed but the same representation. We are glad to see our member, Dr. Cabanis, taking strong grounds against so unjust a bill.

THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.—Quite a warm discussion occurred in the Assembly on Saturday last, upon the proposition to take Trinity from the 8th Judicial District and attach it to the ninth. Messrs. Irwin, Thomas and Wells opposing, and Messrs. Reading, Proctor and Cabanis supporting. It was finally decided to assign to the 8th District, Klamath, Humboldt and Siskiyou, and to the 9th, Colusa, Shasta, Butte and Trinity.

MASONIC CELEBRATION.—The Masons of this place have determined to celebrate the approaching anniversary of St. John's Day—24th June—with a Public Procession, Oration, &c. All brother Masons, with their wives and daughters, are requested to be present. See their card in the proper column.

PUB. DOCS.—Hon. Wm. M. Gwin, U. S. Senator, Gov. Bigler, and the Hons. R. T. Sprague, T. T. Cabanis, Richard Irwin, Paul K. Hubbs, Philip A. Roach, R. G. Reading, L. S. Williams and J. G. Marvin have each placed us under obligations for valuable documents during the week, for which we beg leave to return thanks.

NEW COUNTY.—A new county, Humboldt, has been created out of the lower portion of Trinity. This county lies upon the ocean, and the Bay of the same name, and is essentially an agricultural county.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE LEGISLATURE.—The Joint Resolution for the adjournment on the 11th inst., has been rescinded, and next Wednesday, the 18th inst., is substituted.

From Pitt River.
From John Spencer, Esq., just from Pitt River, we learn that very rich diggings have been discovered on Horse Creek, a stream putting into Squaw Lake at Elizabethtown. As much as \$100 have been taken in one panful from claims in the bed of this creek.

Equally rich diggings have also been found on Battle Creek, on the opposite side of the Sacramento River from Maj. Reading's Ranch. Large numbers of miners have repaired thither. Rich Gulch continues to yield as abundantly as ever. A number of claims continue to yield as high as \$100 per day to the man.

We have been assured of the truthfulness of the above statements by a number of persons, and that the average wages in the Pitt River Mines generally, reach from eight to ten dollars per diem.

An Indian came to Mr. Parker's house, four miles this side of Carman's Ferry, a few days since, and stated that a party of men, living in log cabins, were at work off towards Lawson's Peak, about 60 miles distant, and that they were taking out *boyo yoraks*, (much gold.) This is supposed to be the Bagley party, in searching for which, it will be remembered, the persons were engaged when they discovered Pitt River diggings. From 60 to 100 miners have already started for that point.

The following extract from a letter written on the 9th inst., at Pittsburg, is furnished us by Mr. Cram:

Many of the miners have left for Battle Creek or Lawson's Peak, but will I think, return before long. New discoveries are being made daily, and the extent of mining country now known, is sufficient to keep a large number of men employed for a considerable length of time. Buildings are going up daily, improvements of a permanent character are being made, and everything indicates that this will soon be a place of considerable importance.

SENATOR BENTON.—Speaking of this gentleman, in many respects the greatest statesman now living in America, the *New York Herald* says:

Old Bullion, if he lives and holds his present robust health, will be the life and soul of the next House of Representatives, and will make the fur fly from the backs of the youngsters who shall dare to hold him as excommunicated from the party. He is just in that position and frame of mind for cutting and thrusting right and left, which will make him an invaluable acquisition to the House. The fledglings and hawbucks of that honorable body of raw materials have for some time required a man to take the place of John Quincy Adams; and there need be no fear that Benton will not exercise the prerogatives accorded to such a privileged character.

Senator Benton has the disposition and ability to accomplish more for California than any man in the Union. And now that he has taken hold of the great project of constructing a railroad across the continent, we have every confidence that the work will be made in the course of a very few years. By his very able letters upon this subject, addressed to the people of Missouri, he has set a ball in motion that will not be stopped until this important object is accomplished—until the Mississippi Valley and the Pacific Ocean are connected with a great National Railroad.

ROBBERY AT DRY CREEK.—On Tuesday night last a man, name unknown, entered the store of Hugh Mackay, Esq., at Dry Creek, and requested permission to sleep there during the night, at the same time complaining of being unwell. His request was of course granted. In the morning, however, when the clerk awoke, he found the sick man *non est*, and upon examining the desk, perceived that he had taken with him some four hundred dollars in money belonging to Mr. Mackay. It appears that he took the key of the desk from the pocket of the clerk while that gentleman was asleep and thus gained possession of the money. Persons were immediately started in pursuit of the thief, but up to the last accounts had not overtaken him. The last seen of him was when leaving Muletown, after having taken breakfast and made sundry purchases in that place.

P. S. Since the above was in type we have been informed that Mr. Herkimer caught the rogue and recovered all the money except \$4.50. The amount stolen was more than supposed, being about \$550. The fellow made his escape the night after his capture.

DECLINED.—We have received from a gentleman in Siskiyou, who purports to be an exact copy of a speech delivered by the President of the Convention which assembled in Yreka, Oct. 5, 1852, to nominate a candidate for Assemblyman for Siskiyou. We are requested to publish it as a rejoinder to a little piece of fun that appeared in this paper a few weeks since, captioned "Hyfoluten." Had we thought that the author of that production would have done otherwise than enjoy a hearty laugh over the whole thing, it would not have appeared. And lest personal enmity should hereafter grow out of it, we must beg leave to decline the publication of the speech. Mr. G. K. G. is really a very sprightly writer, and when we published his little "flight," expected it would afford him no little amusement.

FIRE.—On Monday afternoon the Brewery in the lower part of town, belonging to Mr. Jacob Ellsasser, caught fire, and for a little time was in a fair way to be entirely consumed. Owing to the prompt action, however, of many citizens, the fire was extinguished before it had effected any serious injury. The card of Mr. E., thanking the citizens for their timely assistance, will be found in another part of to-day's paper.

ABRECKLE DIGGINGS.—We have very good accounts from this locality. Some very fine strikes have been made by miners, by going lower down than was usual in those diggings heretofore. Two brothers, by the name of White, have especially been very successful, frequently taking out as much as \$100 per day.

BODY RECOVERED.—We learn from Mr. Parker, of Rhodes & Lusk's Express, that the body of Mr. Nelson Sherman, who was drowned in Trinity River on the 29th of last March, was found during the past week.

The Yreka and Weaverville Expresses.
The Expresses of Cram, Rogers & Co., and Rhodes & Lusk, running from this place to Yreka and Weaverville, have been doing some of the speediest traveling during the past week. We will venture to say—the very mountainous character of the trails being taken into consideration—that has been made in California.

On last Saturday morning, at the hour of 2 o'clock 50 min., J. A. Parker, Rhodes & Lusk's, and S. D. Brastow, Cram, Rogers & Co's Express Messengers, left our office with the *Courier* for Weaverville. At 6 o'clock 45 minutes Mr. P. arrived at their office in that place some hour and a quarter ahead of Mr. B.—making the trip, a distance of 40 miles, over tremendous mountains, in 3 hours 55 minutes. Mr. Brastow returned to this place by the middle of the following afternoon, and on Sunday made the trip again, with late Atlantic papers, in the unprecedented time of 3 hours 45 minutes.

Precisely at half-past 2 o'clock of the same morning, J. A. Horsely, Cram, Rogers & Co's, and E. F. Terry, Rhodes & Lusk's Express Messengers, started from our door with the *Courier* for Yreka. At 4 o'clock 55 minutes of the same evening, Mr. H. rode up to their office in Yreka, 45 minutes in advance of Mr. T., who arrived at 5 o'clock 40 minutes, making the trip of 120 miles over mountains, in the remarkable time of 13½ hours, or averaging more than nine miles per hour. We think that these four riders will do to brag on. Certainly we have never heard of any Expressmen making better time in the State.

THIS YEAR'S EMIGRATION.—All accounts from the east concur in stating that the emigration across the Plains this year will be equally as large as that of the past season. The St. Louis correspondent of the *Alta*, writing on March 17th, says:

"Men are bustling and hurrying up their preparations for the trip to the El Dorado, and if present appearances and future promise have any thing to do with it, the emigration overland will scarcely fall short of that of last year. A large number of those going, however, will be dancing attendance on vast droves of cattle, an article of speculation, on which it may be said a main exists among men of a certain amount of capital; indeed, to such an extent has the mania spread that the price of beef for domestic consumption has gone up in the market, and housekeepers are rather on the horns of a dilemma in consequence. In the upper counties of the State and in parts of Illinois, the fever is also raging with great intensity."

Will our citizens take the necessary steps to bring a large portion of this emigration into our section of the State? From the Humboldt River, the emigrant may reach this point sooner than any other mining town in the State. The road is not only shorter, but better than any other route across the Sierra Nevada. It is also abundantly supplied with good grass and water along the greater portion of its entire length. In addition, the midway between this point and the Humboldt River, is situated Clear Lake Valley, throughout the year covered with a most luxuriant growth of grass, and therefore a place admirably adapted for recruiting stock that have just made the severe drive across the desert. As very many of the emigrants are bringing with them tremendous numbers of stock, this fact alone will be possessed of great weight with them. Indeed, we are convinced that a large portion of the emigration will come this route if they are not furnished with the facts. Will this matter be neglected?

FROM FRENCH GULCH.—A correspondent, "W. G. D.," assures us that the French Gulch mines have yielded, for a long time past, equal to those of any portion of Northern California. A few days since, Messrs. A. Smith & Co. took out of their claim the handsome sum of 13½ ounces. Lucky strikes are of daily occurrence, while the average wages are most satisfactory. Other portions of the communication of "W. G. D." we cannot publish, being of a personal character, and unaccompanied with the writer's name.

The last lump of gold brought to town by Mr. Felby, of the Washington Quartz Company, was sold to Bull, Baker & Co. for \$2,518—being the product of eight days' labor. This will give upwards of two hundred and thirty dollars to each of the twelve partners. Pretty fair wages.

FROM YREKA.—Mr. Raines, of Cram, Rogers & Co's Express, arrived in town yesterday evening from Yreka. We are indebted to him for our regular correspondence, but are unable to publish it this week, for the reason that our paper was entirely made up when it arrived. Mr. R. made the trip up in 15 traveling hours, furnishing the people of Yreka with New Orleans papers thirty days from date.

EDITORIAL CHANGE.—We perceive that Messrs Garfield & Gelwick have retired from the editorial charge of the *Miner's Advocate*, and that henceforth it will be conducted by F. A. Snyder, late member of Assembly, from San Francisco. Mr. S. has for several years past been connected with the San Francisco press, and is a sprightly and entertaining writer. Here's our hand, Fred—and may we never quarrel.

THE JAPAN EXPEDITION.—The report that this expedition was to be recalled by the present administration, is contradicted. Many of the vessels by this time are beyond the possibility of recall, at least before they arrive at the port in the Indies fixed upon as a point of rendezvous for the fleet ere proceeding to Japan.

A ROGUE DUCKED.—A few days ago, an honorable accused of stealing some eight or ten dollars from the drawer of Mr. Mix, of Franklin, was ducked in the creek by a party of the miners, and then granted permission to take "French leave."

QUICK TRIP.—On Sunday last, Mr. John H. Smith, of Hall & Crandall's line, drove through from Tehama to this place in the short space of five hours and fifty-five minutes. We believe this time has never been beaten on this road.

Rhodes & Lusk's Express.
We are under many obligations to this Express for favors during the week.

Pitt River Correspondence.
The following letter is from an old Shasta County Miner. His statements coincide with all accounts that we have heretofore published of these truly capital diggings:

PITTSBURG, May 12, 1853.

Messrs. EDITORS:—It appears to me, that notwithstanding the short distance between our town and Shasta, as little is known of the former as though the two were antipodes. The fact is, that the majority of those coming here anticipate making their piles right away, without the trouble of looking for them. But speedily discovering that gold has to be hunted for here as elsewhere, and not knowing the position of the country, or where to commence searching, they leave in high dudgeon and pronounce the place a humbug. Men of perseverance and experience alone remain here, and show by the product of their labor, the fallacy of these assertions.

There can be no doubt but that the palmy days of California are once more in enjoyment here. This is evident from the immense amount of money in possession of those having located themselves, and the number of those who are already returning to the States, with the results of their work in these diggings. This week seven have returned home with handsome piles, who, to my knowledge, before working here had not the means to pay their passage. The diggings are not only equal to those of '49, but they possess all the advantages of '53. Provisions are almost as low as they are in Shasta, and we have buildings and improvements which would shame many old districts. Handsome houses are in process of erection, and facilities for getting here are ample. Your townsman, Mr. Carman, with Mr. Hughes (the original discoverer of these mines), have completed a ferry, which will compare favorably with any in the country. Beef is plenty; milk, fresh butter and venison in any quantity. In fine, as one of the old miners, I must say that the Pitt River diggings are the "ne plus ultra" of mines, combining a plenty of ore with the comforts and luxuries of life. Should you desire it I will particularize more at a future time. VERA.

[PER CRAM, ROGERS & CO'S EXPRESS.]
Regular Trinity Correspondence.
WEAVERVILLE, May 12, 1853.

GENTS:—This being Court week, our town is enlivened by the presence of numerous visitors, all of whom seem to be very much occupied with their legal duties. Next week we will endeavor to give you a list of cases disposed of.

With the exception of the Courts, not much excitement has been visible upon the surface of society. On Saturday, however, we had a dash in the rival expresses, one following close upon the heels of the other, and delivering us the *Courier* at our breakfast table.

Although we seldom hear the complaint of dull times, we expect to have it much livelier here shortly. The Trinity River Water Race will soon be completed—everything upon the works is progressing smoothly and rapidly, but not so rapidly as its go-ahead superintendent would have it, could he but procure a hundred more men.

The diggings at Marcellville are yielding well, being all we predicted, good ore diggings. In the course of a week or so, we will have three or four new saloons open, and which are to be fitted up in a superior manner.

The deep hole is still going down with every prospect of success. ADORE.

JOHN MELVILLE, Esq.—It is intimated that this universal favorite, who has so long furnished the wants of the inner-man of many of our townsmen, is about turning his attention to the clothing business. He rather flatters himself, from his thorough knowledge of the art of dressing beavers, that he can render entire satisfaction to any young "buck" who may be desirous of rigging himself out after the manner of the *bon ton*. His taste in the article of dress is decidedly Parisian.

It is his intention, also, to pit his celebrated game-cocker "Flash-of-lightning" against the far famed rooster of Mr. Mix, the "Franklin City Crowder." The fight will transpire shortly, and afford persons an opportunity to "win a small farm."

JOHN CHINAMAN IN SISKIYOU.—A friend in Yreka informs us through Rhodes & Lusk's Express, that the good people of that place were thrown into quite a ferment, a few days ago, by the arrival of about 35 Chinamen, the first of that people who have visited that county. It was the occasion of much agitation and agitation, and a number of persons met to take measures to expel from that section the pig-tailed gentry. The Chinamen promptly tendered the amount of the miner's tax for each one in advance, but no officer authorized to receive the same being present, they were, we are glad to state, permitted to remain notwithstanding.

Our correspondent accompanies the foregoing with a burlesque report of the proceedings of the meeting on the occasion, for which we will find room next week.

THE CHINESE QUESTION IN TRINITY.—A vote was taken on the 8th inst., at Big Flat, Trinity County, for the purpose of determining whether the Chinamen should be permitted to work the mines in that locality. Capt. Best informs us that the contest was exceedingly spirited. On closing the polls at sundown, however, the result was ascertained to be, sixty-five votes for remaining and sixty-three against—giving a majority of two in favor of law.

PICTORIALS.—We are certainly much indebted to Mr. Roman, of the Shasta Book Store, and Cram, Rogers & Co's Express for late numbers of the London "Illustrated News," "Gleason's Pictorial," and the N. York "Illustrated News." Also for the latest copies of the London "Punch" and New York "Lantern."

FROM TRINITY RIVER.—We learn from a correspondent that miners are flocking over that way as though they had just begun to discover where the best mining districts were, and pack trains have been following in an almost unbroken line for the past week or ten days.

STAGING.—Baxter & Co. and Hall & Crandall's stages usually arrive in town about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. They leave Tehama 60 miles distant, at 6 o'clock in the morning.

MAY DAY IN SAN FRANCISCO.—This was a great gala day in San Francisco among the children—some thousands or more having joined in the ceremonies of the day.

Governor Lane with his family arrived at San Francisco on the 5th inst., in the steamer Sierra Nevada, en route for Oregon.

Salmon River Correspondence.
SOUTH FORK SALMON RIVER, }
Cal., May 6th, 1853.

Editors *Shasta Courier*:—In my wanderings I have fallen in here, and thinking something from these diggings would not be wholly without interest, I have taken occasion to drop you a line or two.

This is a pretty hard place. Like all other streams in the country, it is hedged about by high mountains. After descending, however, from the surrounding snowy peaks, the stream looks pleasant enough.

There is a good number of miners here, and they are going to work in good earnest, with sluices, toms, &c. Those that have got in their claims are doing a fair business, making from eight to twelve dollars per day. They are working and prospecting the banks and bed of the stream farther up than heretofore, and it promises well.

Grub has been rather scarce, but now tools as well as provisions are cheap and plentiful. When an opportunity presents itself, you may again hear from SQUIBS.

Jacksonville, O. T., Correspondence.

We are indebted to Cram, Rogers & Co's Express for our Jacksonville correspondence of the 9th inst. The crowded state of our columns will not permit us to publish this week more than the latter portion of the letter. The remainder will appear in our next. The writer says:—

Our mining intelligence is interesting. Althouse Creek this week sends forth an eight hundred dollar lump, to match one of the right-hand Fork, taken out a few weeks since, while lumps from 1 to 12 ounces abound. Unfortunately in this immediate vicinity water is falling rapidly. In Rich Gulch, where tens of thousands have been taken out this year, and where new and rich diggings have just been discovered, miners will not have water over a fortnight. In the new diggings six men took out on Sunday last within a fraction of \$500. What has been taken since is a mystery. Applegate and Althouse creeks and Saylor Diggings are well supplied the year round with water, and you may be on the look-out for many a big lump from these places, as well as numerous little ones of the same family. I have heard of extensive placer and bank diggings some two days' male travel north of this, on Gracie creek, yielding from \$50 to \$200 per day to the team.

When will this gold region end? What is to be the result in the value of gold, and its effects upon property, if these continual and never-ceasing new discoveries go on in their yield? Pitt river is yet unknown. The whole country of Shasta, Klamath, Trinity and Siskiyou are but one universal gold-bearing region larger than that of the Atlantic States taken singly; and to these is to be added a large part of South Oregon yet untraced, but from which, on the rivers from their mouths to their sources evidences of gold have been obtained.

From the coast we have had male trains make the trip to Althouse and back in four and a-half days, thus bringing Jacksonville within three and a half days' travel of Crescent City. The proprietors of that spot are confident of establishing it as an important point of supply to this mountain region. Their success, however, must depend much upon steam.

Wishing the *Courier* a long and successful, as it will be a pleasant run of business, I am, Truly yours, "THE LEGGINGS."

THE PLACERVILLE HERALD.—We have received the second number of this paper, published in Placerville, by J. T. Holt, and edited by W. Wadsworth and F. A. Bee. It is thoroughly democratic. The *Herald* presents a faultless typographical appearance, while its editorials are marked with no mean ability. We extend to it a hand of welcome.

Adams & Co's Express.

We return thanks to this Express for daily files of Sacramento and San Francisco papers throughout the week. Also for the regular delivery of our country exchanges.

HEALTH OF THE VICE PRESIDENT.—Mr. King, at last accounts, had abandoned all hopes of recovering his health, having derived no benefit from his residence in Cuba. He was desirous of returning home at once, to breathe his last surrounded by his friends.

SHASTA WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.
SHASTA, May 14th, 1853.

During a portion of the week we have had cold and rainy weather, and consequently business was rather dull for several days. Yesterday, however, trade took some brisk, and several large trains were loaded for Yreka and Weaverville. There has been but little change in the leading articles since our last.

Flour,	12½¢	Nails,	20¢
Corn Meal, kiln	15¢	Molasses,	1,75¢
dried,	15¢	Brandy,	50¢
do cala. ground,	16½¢	Whisky, O. I.,	187½¢
Barley,	9¢	Rye, Mon,	21¼¢
Clear Pork,	35¢	Port Wine,	52¢
Hams,	38¢	Butter, 1 lb bls,	67¢
Bacon,	40¢	Lard,	40¢
Rice, Carolina,	18¢	Chili Peaches,	40¢
Teas, Imp. and	15¢	Dried Apples,	20¢
Gun Powder,	75¢	Candles,	50¢
Coffee, Rio, Java,	23¢	Salt,	16¢
Sugars, Manila,	14¢	Tobacco, Grape	55¢
No. 1 China,	19¢	Mackerel,	50¢
do, crushed,	25¢	Potatoes,	22¢
Cheese,	30¢	Benns,	15¢

ATTENTION DEMOCRATS!

The Democrats of Shasta County are requested to hold primary meetings in the various election precincts of the county, and elect delegates to a County Convention, to be held in the town of Shasta, on the 4th of June next, for the purpose of choosing six delegates to attend the Democratic State Convention, to be held in the city of Benicia on the 21st day of said month (June.) The various precincts are entitled to the number of delegates as follows, being one for each precinct, one for each 50 Democratic votes cast therein at the Presidential election, and one for each precinct above fifty:

Shasta City 264, 7; Whiskey Creek 60, 3; French Gulch 111, 4; Oak Bottom 12, 2; North Cottonwood 22, 2; Eagle Creek 43, 2; One Horsetown 122, 4; One Dog Town 22, 2; Lower Springs 37, 2; Red Bluffs 23, 2; Cottonwood 26, 2; One Mule Town 32, 2; Middletown 72, 3; Free Bridge 37, 2; Oak Valley 48, 3; Cow Creek 17, 2; Month Clear Creek 22, 2; Mount Washington 2; Pitt River 4; Watson's Saw Mill 2.

The Convention will convene at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M. of the day above named.

P. F. TERBUSH,
DAVID CORSAUT,
WM. J. POTTER,
Dem. Central Com. Shasta Co.
Shasta, May 14, 1853. my14 4t

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS.

BENJAMIN SHURTLEFF
Is prepared to take depositions, acknowledgments, &c., to be used in that State.
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