

# DESERET NEWS.

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For the News.

## FAREWELL TO DESERET.

Ah, fleeting time! the day draws near  
When this fair vale I bid adieu,  
And part from Saints and kindred dear,  
Seek other friends as warm and true.

Altho' you are as dear to me,  
As closely twine about my heart,  
As friends on earth to each should be,  
A short Farewell, fate bids us part.

For there are ties! yes, stronger far,  
Than firmest friendship e'er can bind,  
As steadfast as the polar star,  
Heav'n's choicest gift to human kind.

'Tis pure affection's pearly gem,  
The sweetest gift from Heav'n above,  
Far from the busy haunts of men,  
For this we toil, for this we rove.

Yes, there are those far, far behind,  
Who are as dear to me as life,  
With hopes, affection, love combined,  
A mother, dear ones, children, wife.

I'm loth to leave fair Deseret,  
Yet pleased I go to my lov'd home,  
Still this fond heart can ne'er forget  
Your kindness, wheresoe'er I roam.

This beauteous vale invites me,—come  
And seek a place of peace and rest,  
Where Saints shall ever find a home,  
By neither foes nor want oppressed.

Kind friends, adieu! may you be blest,  
Heav'n grant I soon shall meet you here,  
And dwell with you, and with you rest  
In death's repose, 'till Christ appears.

AMICUS.

From the *Daily Placer Times*—  
*EXTRA; Sacramento City,*  
*Aug. 15, 1 o'clock p. m.*

## THE DIGGINGS.

*Notice to Pre-Emption claimants.*

"A meeting will be held at the Court House in Marysville, on Saturday evening, the 10th inst., at 7 o'clock, to take into consideration the propriety of making regulations for the mutual benefit of all claimants in this county, and to guard against the monopoly of the landed aristocracy, whose pretended claims now cover the whole country.

We therefore deem it highly ne-

cessary that resolutions should be made, and immediate action had on this subject, to prepare for concerted action with other counties, for the purpose of protecting such rights as are guaranteed to us by the 'principal laws' of the United States."

MANY CLAIMANTS.

Yesterday.—At 2 o'clock a body of squatters numbering about forty, proceeded to the foot of I street, on the levee, and undertook to regain a lot of ground which had been lately in the occupation of one of their party. They were fully armed, and a general understanding prevailed that their object included the liberation of the two men committed the day before to the prison ship, upon the charge of being concerned in a riotous assemblage on the morning of the 12th, for the purpose of forcibly resisting the process of law. After the displacement of some of the lumber upon the ground, the party of squatters were deterred from proceeding further in their intent. The Mayor had meantime requested all good citizens to aid in suppressing the threatened riot, and very large numbers had gathered about the spot—several citizens armed, proceeded also to the prison ship, but no demonstration was made in that direction.

The squatters retreated in martial order, and passed up I street to 3d, thence to J and up to 4th, followed by a crowd of persons.—They were here met by the Mayor, who ordered them to deliver up their arms and disperse. This they refused to do, and immediately several shots were fired at him, four of which took effect. He fell from his horse, and was carried to his residence, dangerously, if not mortally wounded. Mr. J. W. Woodland, who, unarmed, stood near the Mayor at the time, received a shot in the groin, which he survived but a few moments. A man named Jesse Morgan, said

to be from Millersville, Ohio, lately arrived, and who was seen to aim at the Mayor, next fell dead, from the effects of a ball which passed through his neck. Mr. James Harper was very severely, but not dangerously, wounded in supporting the sheriff. It is difficult to give an exact detail of the terrible incidents which followed in such rapid succession. It appeared, from an examination before the coroner, that the party of squatters drew up in regular order on arriving at the corner of 4th street, and that the sheriff was several times fired upon before he displayed any weapons. Testimony was also given as to the person who was seen to fire upon Mr. Woodland. The mounted leader of the squatters, an Irishman by the name of Maloney, had his horse shot under him; he endeavored to escape, was pursued a short distance up an alley, and shot through the head, falling dead.—Dr. Robinson, one of the armed party under his command, was wounded in the lower part of his body. Mr. Hale, of the firm of Crowell, Hale & Co., was slightly wounded in the leg. A young boy, son of Mr. Rogers, was also wounded. We have heard of several others, but are not assured of the correctness of the reports. Upon the oath of several gentlemen that they saw Dr. Robinson deliberately aim at the Mayor, he was arrested and placed in confinement. An Irishman named Caulfield, accused of a similar act with regard to both the Mayor and Mr. Woodland, was arrested late in the afternoon.

After these terrible scenes, (which occupied less time than we have been employed to describe them,) had passed, a meeting of the council was held, the proceedings of which appear in another column. The citizens gathered at the corner of J and 2d streets,