

and in other places throughout the city, and proceeded to organize in parties to prevent further outrage. A body of mounted men under the command of the Sheriff hearing the report that the squatters were reinforcing at the Fort, proceeded thither. The lawless mob were nowhere to be found; scouts were dispatched in all directions, but no trace of them could be discovered, meanwhile, several other parties had formed into rank, and proceeded to different parts of the city, establishing rendezvous at various points. Brigadier General Winn, issued proclamation, declaring the city under martial law, and ordering all law abiding citizens to form themselves into volunteer companies, and report their organization at head quarters as soon as possible.

At evening, quiet was fully restored throughout the city. Lieu. Governor McDougal, who left upon the Senator, and expects to meet the Gold Hunter, will bring up this morning a detachment of troops from Benecia. An extraordinary police force of 500 was summoned for duty during the night. A universal readiness to respond to all the demands of this trying occasion has manifested to all, what we at least, have never doubted, that the people of Sacramento would show a united front against their assailants, when the first principle of their liberty, a respect for the law of the land should be set at naught.

#### DOINGS OF THE COUNCIL.

Resolved, That the acting Mayor shall issue his proclamation, offering a reward of \$1,000 for the apprehension and conviction of any of the principal leaders in the riot or affray which occurred in the streets of Sacramento City on the 14th day of August, 1850, and \$500 for any who were with arms aiding and abetting, and by their presence giving countenance to the affray.

The mines are yielding richly, but even this source of prosperity cannot operate to remove the

gloom that the frequent murders, robberies, assaults, and other acts of lawless violence has cast upon the various branches of business. The tax law is the cause of the present unfortunate position of affairs, as it is driving hundreds away from the mines, who have formerly contributed to sustain the activity of business heretofore existing in that region, while it wages many lawless and reckless foreigners to the perpetration of crime and outrages upon the rights of society.

**A RUMPUS.**—Yesterday, just before the lamentable affray in J st. quite an excitement was occasioned on L street, near 2d, by an attempt made by a German to take the life of a man, whom, as he states, he discovered holding illicit intercourse with his wife. It appears that his wife left him a few weeks since, and suspicions had been excited, during the intervening period, which were yesterday confirmed. His pistol not being loaded with a ball, prevented him from accomplishing his design, which, as he expressed it, "was to kill him." He left the spot, swearing that the woman was his wife; she had obtained no divorce, and until she did, he would not permit her to "play wife for any one else."

**PROSCRIPTION.**—The board of aldermen of San Francisco have passed an ordinance prohibiting all foreigners from draying, boating, driving hackney coaches, or selling spirituous liquors. The only exception made by the ordinance is in favor of those already owning drays, &c., who are permitted to pursue their usual avocations, provided they can show themselves possessed of a good moral character! What the standard of morality is considered, is not stated; we suppose, however, that it admits the usual California license. The board of assistants have concluded not to confirm this very liberal and tolerant law just yet.

**"OLD HAYS."**—This celebrated character, the high constable of

New York, died at that city on the 21st June. A history of his life, would be a revelation of "mysteries and miseries" such as is seldom recounted.

#### *From the Alta Californian.*

**MEXICANS IN THE SOUTHERN MINES.**—A decree has at length gone forth against them, forbidding further trespass of these men on the Placer of the Southern Districts, and quite summarily ordering them to depart from the towns and trading posts of the mountains, first turning over their arms to persons constituted by the excited multitude to receive them. The movement thus openly directed against this class of foreign miners is said to have been instigated by recent barbarities committed by the Mexicans. The public of Sonora were incensed by the discovery of two dead bodies, beneath a smoking pile which was watched and tended by two Mexicans. Although no evidence of murder committed by these men was found, they were seized and would have been put to death untried for the offence, had not a few Americans interfered and had a legal investigation entered into, which acquitted them. Notwithstanding, popular feeling had been wrought to such a pitch that the expulsion of all foreigners from the mines was demanded, which was understood by the prime movers of the excitement, who were recent Sydney importations, to mean the Mexicans and Sonorians. Notices were posted about Sonora, warning such to leave the town and country, and in the early part of last week, parties bound southward were continually crossing the San Joaquin, at the rate of two or three hundred persons per day.

**CALIFORNIA.**—We find dates from Washington in the N. York Tribune as late as the 28th June. In the senate, on the 24th of June,—

Mr. Douglas gave notice of an amendment providing that two new States—to be called Sacra-