

ROLLING ALONG.

Increasing Popularity of the New Constitution.

From Shasta's Snowy Summit to San Diego's Sands.

Evidence Showing that it will Surely be Adopted.

Cheering News from the Northern Part of the State.

Southern California Almost a Unit in Its Favor.

The Interior Counties will Assist to Swell Its Majority.

INDISPUTABLE EVIDENCE.

Opinions of Men Not Afraid to Sign their Names.

We print this morning an additional number of letters received in response to the circular sent from this office asking for an unbiased expression of opinion as to the probable vote in the locality of the person addressed on the adoption of the new Constitution. As will be seen, they are all of a character encouraging the belief that the new Constitution will be adopted by a majority largely exceeding that first estimated by the CHRONICLE. The batch printed this morning makes a total of over 500 letters received from all sections of the State.

A GOOD MEETING.

DUTCH FLAT (Placer county), April 20.—A meeting of citizens in favor of the new Constitution was held here last night. A cold storm was raging and the rain fell in torrents. The hall was excessively chilly, but notwithstanding, 100 earnest men listened three hours to the able speech delivered by ex-delegate J. A. Fitcher. Had it been pleasant, three times that number would have been present. C. A. BARRETT.

A LIE CONTRADICTED.

BANTAS (San Joaquin county), April 19.—I saw in a *Call* a glowing account of the meeting held at this place by the adherents of the old Constitution. It stated the meeting was largely attended by ladies and gentlemen, etc. There were two ladies and three men. P. M. CHAMILL.

TWO TO ONE IN FAVOR.

SOQUEL (Santa Cruz county), April 19.—In your paper of the 17th I find the statement that Soquel precinct will give a majority of votes against the new Constitution. E. Porter is Postmaster, but his judgment is not to be relied on. We have about 170 votes, and they are two to one for the Constitution. JOHN A. BROWN.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE TO THIRTY-NINE, BY COSENT.

CASTROVILLE (Monterey county), April 21.—This precinct contains about 200 votes, 39 of which are against the new Constitution, the remaining 161 for it. I know this to be correct. L. B. KEATING.

A LARGE MEETING.

GONZALES (Monterey county), April 21.—A large and enthusiastic audience of ladies and gentlemen assembled to hear W. H. Hill of Salinas in favor of the new Constitution. The meeting was the largest ever held in this place. This precinct will roll up a majority of three to one in favor of the new Constitution. J. M. HOWARD.

THE ONLY MAN AGAINST.

NAPA CITY, April 16.—The Anti-Constitution. Is called a meeting for young men to meet in the County Court-room last night to organize a club to secure speakers, etc., during the campaign. Only some ten or a dozen answered the call, and they were all for the instrument. I not see you quote a letter from our Postmaster, saying there is a small majority against it. He is the only man in the city who says openly he is going to vote against it. W. C. ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY MAJORITY PROMISED.

WHEATLAND (Yuba county), April 20.—I notice in the *Call* that this precinct will give a majority against the new Constitution. A straw vote the other night gave three to one in its favor. This precinct will give 150 majority in its favor, provided a full vote is cast. F. H. J.

TRINITY COUNTY ALL RIGHT.

WEAVERVILLE (Trinity county), April 16. The present indications are that Trinity county will give 100 majority for the new Constitution. Unfortunately, we have only one paper in this county, the *Trinity Journal*, which is a second edition of the *Record-Union*, and evidently plucks its golden quilts from the same fat goose.

READER OF THE CHRONICLE.

A LAKE COUNTY STRAW.

LOWER LAKE (Lake county), April 19.—At the close of a meeting held here last night, at which Rodney Hudson and D. M. Hanson spoke, a vote was taken, which resulted in 34 for and 8 against the new Constitution. W. C. GOLDSMITH.

ONLY A FEW SORCEHEADS.

BERDAN (Butte county), April 18.—As far as I can learn this locality will go for the new Constitution. Of course there are a few sorceheads. I keep a hotel and sell whisky, and I fail to find anything in the instrument that will affect that trade. G. BERDAY.

THE TIDAL WAVE SWEEPING ON.

NELSON (Butte county), April 18.—There is only one man in this precinct that will vote against the new Constitution. The great tidal wave is indeed sweeping over this part of the State. J. S. B.

SPANISH-AMERICANS FOR IT.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, April 17.—The Spanish-American population of this county are in favor of the new Constitution at least five to one. We will carry the county in favor of it by from 300 to 600 majority. ESTEVAN CASTRO, F. DE LA GUERRA.

TWO SAMPLE PRECINCTS.

GUADALUPE (Santa Barbara county), April 16.—We will cast about 125 votes in this precinct. Of these 100 will be for the new Constitution and 25 will be against it. The Ora Placo precinct, in San Luis Obispo county, is just across the river. They cast 35 votes—30 for it, 3 against it and 2 on the fence. R. ABERNETHY.

ANOTHER VIEW OF THE SAME.

GUADALUPE (Santa Barbara county), April 16.—We have in this precinct about 140 votes, and can find among them only about a dozen against the new Constitution. Ex-Senator Pat Murphy of San Luis addressed the Workmen against it some days ago, but did not make the slightest impression. We have about 2700 votes in this county, and I am safe in saying they will be two to one in favor of the new Constitution. J. E. M.

CONSTANTLY CONVERTING.

STOCKTON (San Joaquin county), April 18.—We have got the old Constitution folks trothing at the mouth. We are constantly converting men, and will carry this county by a large majority. W. E. H.

CONTRA COSTA STRAWS.

DANVILLE (Contra Costa county), April 21.—A meeting was held at this place on April 19th, during which the new Constitution was discussed, and just before the adjournment a vote was taken. The result showed a ratio of seven for to one against it. I am told that a Walnut Creek jury took a vote among themselves the other day, standing ten for it and two against it. Straws show, etc. D. A. CALDWELL.

ANOTHER COUNTY HEARD FROM.

SAN BUENAVENTURA (Ventura county), April 18.—This county will pull a vote of over two to one for the new Constitution. G. W. MCCOY.

WILL GIVE A MAJORITY.

CHRISTINE (Mendocino county), April 18. As far as my personal observation goes this precinct will give the new Constitution a large majority. ANDREW GENTLY.

FEW, IF ANY, VOTES AGAINST IT.

PORRAT, April 15.—The voters in this vicinity are almost unanimous in their approval of the new Constitution. We consider it a good opportunity to climb a step higher in the scale of equal justice, or rather equal taxation and justice. I am confident there will be only a few, if any, votes against it in this precinct. E. D. FRENCH, P. M.

GOING TO GET JUSTICE.

ROUND MOUNTAIN, April 18.—A large majority of the voters that I have heard discuss the merits and demerits of the proposed Constitution heartily favor its adoption. I know of but one who says he will not vote for it. I think all those who are afraid of justice had better emigrate, for they are going to get it. LUPPE EILERS.

TWENTY TO ONE IN FAVOR.

LOMPOC (Santa Barbara county), April 16.—The corrupting influences don't reach the country voter, so you can count on large majorities in all these counties. In Lompoc precinct, the vote will be twenty to one in favor of the new instrument, unless materially changed before election. W. W. BROUGHTON.

UNSUCCESSFUL BULLDOZING.

SACRAMENTO, April 18.—Out of a working force of forty-nine men in a Central Pacific car-shop, the foreman of that department was only able to bulldoze nine of them into signing an anti-Constitution club roll. G.

FOR, INSTEAD OF AGAINST.

VALLEY FORD (Sonoma county), April 21.—Please correct a statement made in the *Call* recently, stating that this place is strongly against the new Constitution. There is a majority in this precinct for the Constitution, and not against it. BROWN AND LE BARON.

SENTIMENT DIVIDED.

AZUSA (Los Angeles county), April 17.—I think the sentiment in this precinct about equally divided. O. T. GUSTICK, P. M.

HONEST MEN WILL WIN.

LITTLE RIVER (Mendocino county), April 18.—Little River precinct will give a decided majority for the new Constitution, and the honest men of the State will win the election of that instrument on the 7th of May. C. A. HEATH.

GOING STRONGLY FOR IT.

SANTA ANA (Los Angeles county), April 19.—Santa Ana will go strongly for the new Constitution. S. J. H.

A ROUSING MAJORITY.

MERCED, April 20.—A vote was taken by the last Grand Jury among themselves, resulting 161 for to 3 against the new Constitution. Yesterday a vote was taken on the street here, resulting 30 for and 4 against. Look out for a rousing majority from this county—I think, at the very least, 500. J. H. COZLY.

GOES BRAVELY ON.

GRIDLEY (Butte county), April 18.—The work for the new Constitution goes bravely on, and I believe Butte county is safe for a considerable majority in its favor. I know this precinct is. H. C. W.

HAYWARD'S HEARTY.

HAYWARD, April 21.—The large hall was crowded this evening, many ladies being present. Ex-Delegate Webster spoke with great force for nearly two hours in advoca-

cy of the new Constitution, and was followed by Mr. McCallum. Respecting the Lien law provisions of the new Constitution, which have been used in many places to endeavor to influence farmers to vote against adoption, Mr. McCallum said: "The language used is the word 'property,' and this word takes the place of thirteen words used in the Lien law now in the Codes. It attaches only to the property affected by the work done, and does not reach beyond. It does not reach to the land farmed by a tenant, and only covers the interest in the crop held by the employer. In other words, if A rents to B a piece of land to farm, B's employes must look to B for their pay, and cannot hold A for it at all." Mr. McCallum successfully refuted the charge that officers will all be "appointed," explained the benefits of the eight-hour law, and dwelt upon the clause prohibiting the employment of Chinese by corporations, and showed that thousands of white laborers will take their places in profitable employment. He spoke in indignant terms of the corruption fund raised by the corporations to defeat the people's Constitution and the infamous means used to corrupt and intimidate voters and subsidize newspapers. He denounced the course of the *Bulletin* and other venal papers, and declared that there is but one great metropolitan paper which is fearless in behalf of the people's rights—the CHRONICLE (thunders of applause)—and closed by saying that if the Constitution is defeated, the defeat will be used in the Legislature to prevent the adoption of reforms hereafter, as the corruptionists will point to the defeat as a reason why measures of reform shall not be again proposed. They will say that the people have once rejected each and all of these proposed measures, and it will be wrong to put the State to the expense of again voting upon matters once rejected. At the close of the meeting the following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That the new Constitution is in full accord with the platform of principles adopted by all parties in this State for years, and is therefore a full reflex of the public sentiment of the people of this State, who would curb monopoly and protect the producing classes, so long and so sorely oppressed; and we therefore pledge it our hearty support. The meeting adjourned with three rousing cheers for the new Constitution.

MONGOLIAN MONEY.

Chinamen Assessed to Help Defeat the New Constitution.
San Jose New Era, April 19.

We have been reliably informed by a gentleman of this county who employs Chinamen that every Chinaman on his ranch has been assessed \$2 for the purpose of defeating the new Constitution. This is one of the lowest tricks resorted to by the opposition. Just think of 150,000 Chinese slaves in California paying \$2 each to defeat the new Constitution! The fact, which can be proven and which we defy the Six Companies of San Francisco to deny, will raise a fund of \$300,000 to buy votes to defeat the new Constitution. In view of these facts it is time the people demanded a new Constitution; and if the Chinese Companies, Otis Gibson and Colonel Bea are bound to assess their slaves \$2 each to defeat the will of the people, the honest citizens of California should teach them such a lesson at the ballot-box as they will never forget.

Letter from a Railroad Machinist.

To the Editor of the Chronicle—SIR: There is an excellent prospect that a majority of the men employed in the Central Pacific Railroad shops will vote for the new Constitution, in spite of the opposition of their employers. The railroad organ here, by its untruthfulness, is daily making friends for the new Constitution. The anti-Constitution meeting held here last Friday night was managed by such men as Carter, our foreman; Lenvir, timekeeper; Flint, a corporation agent, and Captain Ripley, foreman of a lumber-yard. At that meeting a list, purporting to be a *Call* signed by the men in the shops, was shown. It was really signed by Mayor Turner, Lenvir, Gerish, Harris, Cochrane and ninety-five other names written in Chinese characters. It hung in the shops half a day, and we all had a hearty laugh over it. We admire Carter's courage in mentioning that list to the meeting, and only regret that he did not read it aloud.

MACHINIST.

SACRAMENTO, April 13, 1879.

A Change of Base.

The Downey City *Outlook*, which at first opposed the new Constitution, in its last issue comes out squarely in its favor, stating that a careful study of the instrument has shown that the attacks upon it were chiefly dictated by bitterness and unfairness and not by logic and fair dealing. The *Outlook* thus says of the new Constitution: "Its provisions are broad and fair. It accords equal rights to all, and exclusive privileges to none. This is not true of the old Constitution. We have only to look at the general administration of the affairs of the State to be convinced of this fact. In all the leading interests of California there is need of protecting the weak against the strong. An important improvement is proposed in this direction by express declarations that cannot be misconstrued. It is neither a poor man's nor a rich man's Constitution; it aims to do justice to all."

A Spanish Paper's Opinion.

Los Angeles La Cronica.

In the new Constitution we find many provisions which we can heartily recommend. It strikes us as decidedly superior to the present Constitution, and for that reason we believe that every citizen who takes an interest in the future welfare of the State of California ought to give his vote for the new instrument. We have not come to this conclusion without having studied closely, and in detail, as we had promised, the proposed organic law.

Indignant Monopoly Organ.

Stockton Herald.

It is really amusing to see the virtuous indignation that certain papers are showing because the impecunious sand-lotters of San Francisco have been advised to take all the money that is offered them for their votes, and then go and vote their honest convictions. It would be less amusing if any of the indignation were shown toward the men who are to buy those votes. "The sack" is mightier than the pen," in the language of the *Comstock Journalist*.

Tuolumne County For It.

To the Editor of the Chronicle—SIR: F. G. Cleland, President of the new Constitution Club at Groveland, Tuolumne county, says that they have 84 voters in their precinct, and that 64 are for the new Constitution. He also says that he traveled all over the county, and that it will go for the new Constitution. A. C. GROVELAND, April 20, 1879.

A Unanimous Vote.

Santa Cruz Courier, April 18.

Last Saturday, at a meeting of the Santa Cruz Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, a resolution was introduced indorsing the new Constitution, and the vote was unanimous. We notice that the same unanimity exists throughout the State on the question in this organization.

American Lyres.

Los Angeles Express.

The Santa Ana *Times* informs us that a large number of American Lyres have reached that town. There are, however, some very powerful ones left in San Francisco, and they may be found at the headquarters of the Literary Bureau of the monopolists.

Approved in Nevada County.

North San Juan Independent.

North San Juan and the ridge, from all appearances, are good for large majorities in favor of the new Constitution. Most of the citizens have carefully read the Constitution, and approve of its adoption.

How Fresno Will Go.

A gentleman who has just returned from Fresno states that Fresno county will give a large majority for the new Constitution, notwithstanding the efforts of the Railroad Company to insure its defeat.

Southern California Solid.

Rev. I. S. Kallioch, who has just returned from a trip through the southern part of the State, says that the new Constitution will be carried by an almost unanimous vote in that section.

Five Hundred Majority For It.

Salinas City Index, April 17.

Monterey County will give 500 majority for the new Constitution.