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PRESENTATION. -On Saturday evening last a committee of our Polish fellow citizens presented to Colonel Zabriskie a splendid ebony cane, mounted with a massive gold head, crowned with a highly polished and beautiful quartz specimen. The mounting is in imitation of a crown of octagon form, four of the faces are embellished with wreathes, and the remaining four contain the following in-scription: "Polanders of California, to their true friend, Colonel J.C. Zabriskie, San Francisco, 1863." The presentation was made by Captain Korwin Piotrowski, accompanied by the following address: "Cor J C ZAR

"COL. J. C. ZABRISKIE: Polanders of California, by their committee here present, tenders to you their thanks for your untiring efforts in the cause of Peland. They offer you also this cane—emblem of support you gave so willingly to our struggling country

as a memorial of their esteem and their
love for the defender of freedom and their

rights.
"May this token remain many long years in hands. May it then, passyour own worthy hands. May it then, passing to your children and grand children, remind them for many generations how their noble forefather loved and served both countries at once, Poland and America; both now struggling manfully for the same rights of freedom and liberty; both having the same aspirations and the same interest—the welfare of both being identical and solidary. Both, we say, because a free America has not, had not, never can have, a better, a truer, a stauncher friend, than a free Poland."

C. Bielawski, Both,

L. J. CZAPKAY, M. D., MEYER, MARTIN PRAGG. RUDOLPH K. PIOTROWSKI. J. W. ANDRZEIOWSKI, Committee.

To which Col. Zabriskie replied "Capt. Korwin Piotrowski and Gentlemen of the Committe: The presentation you have just made of this beautiful cane was as unexpected as it is gratifying. To contribute one's efforts and influence on behalf of the sacred cause of Liberty and Humanity, always bring their own high reward; but to know that distinguished fellow-laborers in the same cause appreciate those efforts and influence so highly, as to justify the expression of re-gard, and the presentation of a memorial, such as that you have made the recipient this evening, is a gratification that will never be effaced from my memory and heart. Whilst I live, I will preserve with care, and regard with pride, your patriotic memorial, and en-join upon those who shall succeed me, to be admonished whenever they look upon it, of their duty to their country, and to promote and extend the sacred principles of Liberty