

Local and County Matters.

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INDIAN TROUBLES — INDIANS RETURNING FROM THE RESERVATION.—We learn from Jas. F. McBride, residing four miles west of Dogtown, that, one day last week, five armed Indians surrounded his cabin, with their guns leveled at it, whilst he was some four hundred yards distant, working on a road, and took possession of all his provisions, clothing and blankets, valued at \$150. On Tuesday of last week, several armed Indians attacked a teamster named Johnson, on the Dogtown road leading to Pence's, and shot him in the left arm. We are informed by a gentleman of veracity that the Indian Agent at the Reservation has sent word to "look out for the Indians—that they are about to return," etc., and we learn that Indians are becoming numerous again in the mountains in the vicinity of Dogtown and Nimsheew. This is to be regretted, as it has been already proven by experience that the citizens cannot live upon amicable terms with the Indians, from the thieving and treacherous propensities of the latter, which are continually involving the people in difficulties, frequently resulting in bloodshed. If Government has an Agent employed, with the necessary funds, to feed and take care of these Indians upon a Reservation, why is it that they are allowed to return to the localities which have been the scene of their former depredations? Should another outbreak occur similar to that of last year, we fear that it will be followed by much more serious consequences. The matter should at once be laid before the proper authorities.

A DARING OUTRAGE.—A correspondent writes us, from Yankee Hill, in this county, that, on the 25th ult., a Mexican named Raphael was caught in the woods, about a mile from that place, by four masked highwaymen, who, upon his refusal to inform them what citizens of the neighborhood had money, proceeded to torture him into compliance by commencing to castrate him; when his cries for help were answered by another Mexican. This alarmed the ruffians, who, supposing that persons were coming to the rescue, took to their heels. Our correspondent says this is the fourth raid by these fiends in human shape on that part of the county; and the citizens of Frenchtown, Spanishtown and Yankee Hill have resolved not to trouble any county officials if any of the guerrillas are hereafter found in that locality.

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NEW ROAD.—We learn that Nat. Brothers, Road Overseer for Concow valley, is about to open a new wagon road out of the valley, by which the Concow hill will be avoided. The new road is surveyed around the side of the hill down the East Branch and up Deadwood and Spanish Ravine to the Yankee Hill and Frenchtown road. The old road over the hills is impracticable for heavy loads; but the new one is on a regular and easy grade, and will afford the citizens of the valley an excellent outlet for their pitch and agricultural productions. It would seem that what the mining interest failed to bring about the pitch business has made a necessity, viz.: the opening of good roads in the mountains. Great is Pitch, and Turpentine is its profit!

THE INDIANS.—Hon. A. C. Buffum, under date of Sacramento, March 8th, writes us as follows: "In the last issue of your paper I observe an article headed 'Indian Troubles,' asking that the matter may be laid before the proper authorities. Permit me to inform your readers that I have received a petition from many citizens of Butte county, asking me to lay the matter before the proper men, who have power to assist and protect them. I have called upon the Governor and General Wright, and received a promise from the latter that he would order the company now stationed at Chico, Butte county, to protect the people against further Indian depredations in that section."

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HUNTING GORILLAS.—The Oroville *Union* of August 13th says:

We are informed that fifteen troopers from Chico went on a sort of expedition through the mountains during the latter part of last week, passing through Dogtown, Inskip, Concow valley and Spanishtown, making a circuit of probably one hundred and fifty miles. This is a cheering indication that the "brave boys" intend to pay due regard to their sanitary condition, as well as to the peace of our mountain settlements. They are doubtless prospecting for Indians, "rich diggings," and other interesting "developments."

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MURDER OF A BUTTE CREEK INDIAN—A Butte Creek Indian was murdered last week by one of the Kimshew tribe. They were gathering pine nuts together when the Butte Creek Indian was recognized by the son of an Indian that he had assisted to kill several years ago. The son awaited an opportunity and shot the murderer of his father.
