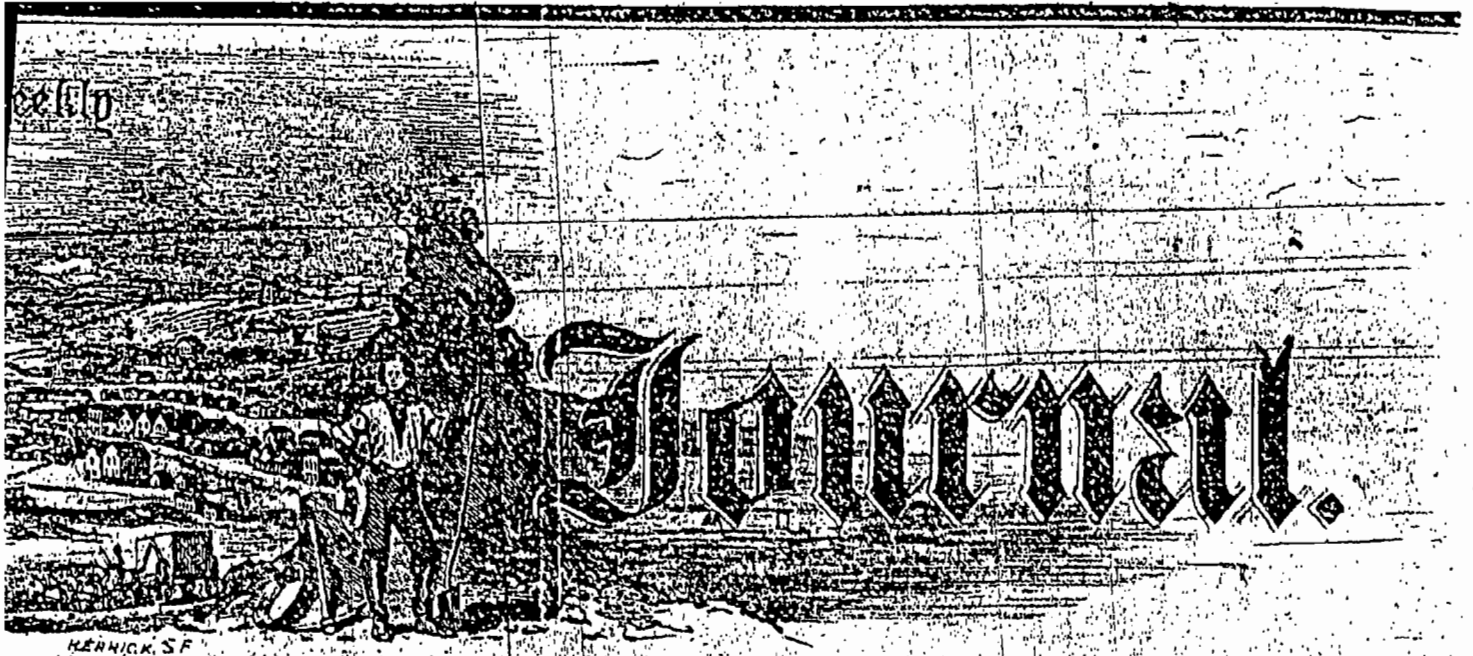


**THE HUMBOLDT VOLUNTEER CAMPS.**—Messeo's Company reached the head waters of Mad river on the 20th of October; thence to Pardee's ranch, where they expected shelter from the continued rain, but the Indians had been beforehand, and burned all the buildings. Going up Mad river eight miles, they discovered a party of Indians. Many articles belonging to Mr. Pardee were found in their rancheria. The Indians have ammunition, and fifty or seventy-five good guns, and when not observed or frightened, can use them very well; but they can't shoot off-hand without aiming too high. In one instance they headed the volunteers and fired at them from the brush, but the men charged after them through the clapparel, killing and wounding several.— Since that occurrence they have not attempted surprise. If they had not fared so roughly at first they would have picked off many of the men before this time, since they shoot well from a rest.

It is hard to find them now; they were pursued, previous to the 18th, to the Forks of Mad river, where one of their wounded had been left. Thirty-four were killed or captured before the storm set in; since that time about one hundred more have been taken. They were left in care of Lieut. Prosser, who has since added to the number. The Indians are believed now to be near Klamath river, and about the head waters of Del river. Not much can be done this winter, because of the unusually severe weather; not much can be expected by persons acquainted with the rigorous climate, during the next three months. Already the men have suffered much from cold and wet, but they have made no complaint, nor has there been a quarrel in camp. One person was discharged in dishonor, and another deserted in mortification at having let a prisoner escape without being able to tell how the Indian got away—the poor fellow never came back to camp. Messeo, we are informed, regretted the circumstance, because the man was a first rate soldier. The men are in tolerable health, though suffering from colds contracted by exposure to snows and cold fords. Capt. Underwood, of the Regulars, is, we learn, at Hoopa Valley; he was desirous to co-operate with the volunteers, but was prevented by superior order.

It will require a great part of next summer to effect the complete removal of the Indians.— Though the expense will be considerable, it is better to complete the business, otherwise the condition of the settlers will be worse than before. The Humboldt people all commend the energy and soldier-like conduct of Messeo and his men. They hope that the volunteers may not be recalled until the country shall have been rid of Indians.

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