The Indian Troubles.

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...
Indians had gone South, and immediately we heard of depredations in Calaveras county. We predicted that the miners farther to the South must suffer, since the Indians far from being conquered were but exasperated.

At last our people have become aware of the true state of things. A bloody fight has taken place near the Fresno, and the citizens not only of the southern border counties, but now even of El Dorado county are petitioning the State Government for assistance.

An Indian war carried on in the mountains cannot fail to be most expensive.—Our State cannot afford to bear the entire cost. There are government troops here, and as while the Indian disturbances were going on in El Dorado county, we stated that it would be a far better disposition of the National forces, for them to occupy posts in the Sierra "than to lie moulding in inglorious inactivity among the sunny vinyards of the Sonoma valley," so now do we earnestly call on Gen. Smith to come to the rescue and protect our citizens, who can by no means afford to protect themselves. California has already shown a disposition to raise $300,000, but affairs have come to such a pass that it is the duty of the United States forces to take charge of this thing themselves.