23 Indians Killed.

A party of Indians near Tehama in this county, recently stole a number of cattle from several ranches near that place, when a party of whites started in pursuit, and coming up with them among the rocks of Dry Creek canyon, killed twenty-three of their number.

Such a course is to be deprecated; but what are the settlers to do? White men have been hung for stealing, and it is not expected that Indians will be more easily taught the consequences of theft than men are. Men will not sit down quietly, suffer their property to be driven off, and content themselves with lamenting their loss. If there was a milder manner of teaching the Indians to regard the rights of property, the settlers would undoubtedly, willingly avail themselves of it.

The humane policy of Superintendent Beal, is everywhere regarded with the utmost favor, and it is hoped that measures will be early taken, for the disposition of these Indians. If they are removed and taught to cultivate the earth, their present destitute and miserable condition would be greatly alleviated, and the settlers would be left in the enjoyment of their property, and free to bring the soil of California under the influence of the husbandman.
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