

MISSING.—Two men, named Charles Cook and James Granger, engaged in hunting during the last winter on Mad river and the prairie slopes beyond, along the line of the new trail, are supposed to be drowned or killed by the Indians. The last time they were in town, some six weeks since, Cook stated that they were about to build a boat and put in a ferry on Mad River, and that they should be in again in a week or ten days. Nothing has been heard from them since, except from the friendly Indians, who have reported both here and at Hoopa Valley, that they have been killed by Indians. Their animals have been found ranging near the crossing mentioned, but none of their clothing, implements or other effects to give a clue to the cause of their disappearance. From these Indian reports it is generally believed that they have been surprised and killed by some of the scamps higher up the river, or from the Buttes or Yager Creek; whose disposition always has been to kill a white man when they can do so with impunity. It is possible, however, that they are drowned, as the river was high and their means of crossing probably a raft or a dug-out. There will be efforts made to learn their fate, if possible, and if killed by the Indians to ascertain by what ones.

