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**HOOPA VALLEY RESERVATION REJECTED.**—Several times within a month vague rumors have reached us to the effect that Government had refused to confirm the action of Indian Superintendent Wiley, in purchasing Hoopa Valley for Reservation purposes. We were inclined to doubt the reports from the fact that the Superintendent some two months since gave official notice of the confirmation of the report of the appraisers, and of its acceptance as an Indian Reservation. But the following extract from a recent Washington letter to the *Bulletin* tends to confirm the statement. The writer says:

"In the Senate, a few days ago, on motion of Mr. Conness, a bill was passed appropriating \$60,000 to pay the settlers for improvements on the new Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation, in California. It authorizes the Surveyor General of California, the Indian Superintendent, and Indian Agent on the Reservation, to assess the value of the improvements. It did not pass the House, because gentlemen skilled in Indian affairs, and up to all the old dodges for speculations in this department of the public service, believe there is a job in the bill. Besides, there had been received by Mr. Cole the proceedings of a public meeting of the people of Humboldt, ventilating the Hoopa Valley scheme, and showing that it was unworthy of confidence. The Senate bill does not purpose to pay for any claim to the land, but only for the improvements. Why select a new reservation where there are \$60,000 worth of improvements on it, in a part of the State where there are any quantity of unoccupied lands? If only public interests are consulted,

bill does not purpose to pay for any claim to the land, but only for the improvements.' Why select a new reservation where there are \$60,000 worth of improvements on it, in a part of the State where there are any quantity of unoccupied lands? If only public interests are consulted, surely it would be better to keep the Indians on some of the old reservations, of which, if I mistake not, there are four already in that part of the State, viz: Mendocino, Smith River, Round Valley and Nome Lackee. What honest reason can there be now for adding to these by the selection of Hoopa Valley, *in the midst of settlements.*"

Whether any action was taken after the above was written, we are not informed. The newly established Reservation may have been rejected, and may not. If it has been, why are half-a-dozen companies of soldiers ordered to Humboldt county to relieve the Battalion of "Mountaineers," which is accredited with having subdued and gathered into Hoopa Valley all the hostile Indians in this and adjoining counties? If it has not been, why did the late Superintendent announce that it had been accepted? It may be the intention to remove the red-skins to some one of the Reservations above mentioned, in which event we prophesy a speedy rehearsal of past Indian troubles and outrages. The people of the coast counties seem doomed to ill-luck and disappointment.

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