

MATTOLE.—In a conversation one day this week with J. Ross Browne, Secret Agent for our Government, he informed us that the pretensions of the ex-Superintendent to hold a portion of that Valley as a reserve, were unauthorized by Congress, and the Indian Department, and that any person who assumes Federal authority in that valley does so without the sanction of Government. He told us the Special Agent in charge of that post, has the same rights there as any other citizen, and no more. What an undiluted swindle has been practiced upon the citizens of that valley and the Government at large, by this so-called Mendocino extension.

