

By the subjoined letter from Major Reading, for the receipt of which we are indebted to Dr. Wozencraft, it will be seen that the depredations of the Indians in the Shasta county call for instant and energetic action on the part of the military authorities who are now at this place. We are happy to state that assistance will immediately be rendered the inhabitants of that county, and that the troops here will leave for the north on Monday next.

COTTON WOOD, Shasta County, }
June 28th, 1851. }

O. M. WOZENCRAFT,
U. S. Indian Commissioner.

My Dear Sir:—To-day brought me in receipt of your esteemed favor, dated Benicia the 7th ultimo, and I am highly gratified to learn of your intention to visit this part of the State. I am convinced from some late facts, that your presence is much required in this district.—Within the past week our troubles and misunderstandings with Indians, have been augmented to such a degree as to keep up a fearful excitement. The Indians in the vicinity of Pitt Fork, are more daring in their depredations than ever before. Several whites have been

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