


— SELLING INDIAN CHILDREN.—Mr. August Hess, who has returned to this city from a prospecting tour through the lower part of Lake county, informs us that he saw a number of men driving Indian children before them to sell in Napa, Solano, Yolo, and other counties of the Sacramento basin. In one instance, he saw two men driving nine children; in another, two men with four children; in another, one man with two girls, one of them about fourteen years of age, apparently. The age of these children varies from six to fifteen years. Rumor says that about a hundred children have been taken through Lake county this summer, for sale. They do not follow the main roads, but usually take by-paths. Rumor says further, that the hunters catch them in Mendocino and Humboldt counties, after killing their parents. If the children try to escape, and are likely to succeed, the hunters shoot them. One boy in Berreyesa Valley, left a farmer to whom he had been sold, and went to another farmer; the purchaser took the boy, and swore he would hang him if he should run away again.

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<p>NGS. October 5.</p>		<p>NOTES OF THE STATE FAIR.—No. V. SACRAMENTO, Oct. 4. Conclusion of the Fair. The exhibition wound up to-day, the proceedings</p>	<p>OUR LETTER FROM ST. LOUIS. <small>(From the Resident Correspondent of the Alta California.)</small> St. Louis, Sept. 11th.</p>	<p>Union Preparations to Meet the Rebels— Militia Force being Rapidly Drilled &amp; Disciplined. Springfield is the key of the Southwest. It is the first time furnished by our troops. There is</p>
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