

INDIAN MATTERS.—We hear that a movement has been projected by citizens of the western and southern border of this county, having for its end the speedy and certain extermination of the hostile Indians in this and Humboldt counties. No one probably feels a greater interest in seeing these savage pests exterminated than we, yet we believe the manner proposed not an advisable one at present. It is this: Citizens propose to raise or pledge themselves for a certain amount of money—say \$2,000 or \$3,000. Then an independent company is to be raised, its members to fight Indians in their own way, wherever they find them, they to receive a certain bounty for each scalp taken. This is the mode proposed, as we understand it. If such be the real intention of citizens of this or Humboldt county, we hope they will take no further steps in the matter at present, for the following reason: We have been in a measure made acquainted with the plans of Col. Whipple for the prosecution of the present campaign, and we believe they will prove successful, when everything is in readiness. But the time is not yet. It is too early in the season to fight Indians successfully. When the winter snows have driven them from their mountain strongholds they will be at our mercy. Recruiting for the Battalion is going on briskly, and when the time comes to go at the work in earnest all hands will be called into requisition, even if Forts and Posts have to be deprived of their garrisons. We believe the present Indian campaign will be successfully ended before the first of next July. We hope the border settlers will be patient yet a little longer.

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