

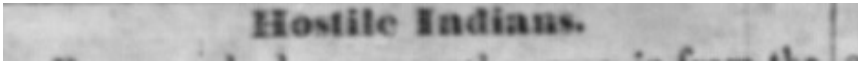
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Persons who have recently come in from the San Joaquin, bring information that the Indians in that section are becoming every day more troublesome. They have stolen a number of horses and cattle, and it is believed that they will venture to attack the settlements.

A portion of the troops in the employment of the government should be stationed on the frontiers to protect the settlers. From all accounts, some of the settlements must be broken up unless adequate protection is afforded them by the Government. There is now a large number of troops stationed along the coast, a few of whom might be spared for frontier service. One company stationed on the San Joaquin, would afford protection to a large district of country.

¶ We noticed in a former number of our paper, the departure of a company of men under Capt. Kern, from Fort Sacramento, to operate against the hostile Indians in the upper Sacramento Valley, who had for several months previous been committing depredations upon the frontier settlers. By Capt. J. A. Sutter's launch which arrived here a few days since, we learn that Capt. Kern with the men under his command, being principally Indian soldiers at the Fort, now in the service of the government, fell in with the enemy in the vicinity of the Snowy Bates, numbering about one hundred. He chased them into the mountains, where they having gained a strong position gave him battle. About twenty of the hostile Indians were killed in the battle; Capt Kern lost none. The Indians under his command fought bravely. It was with difficulty that he could restrain them from rushing into the most dangerous defiles in pursuit of the enemy. They are considered by those acquainted with them, to be the most efficient men that can be employed in the frontier service.—

Capt Sutter who has had many of them in his employment for a number of years, speaks in the highest terms of their bravery and attachment to civilized life. It would no doubt be an advantage to the government to keep them in the ser-