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MARYSVILLE, July 1st, 1850.

Gentlemen: Since the Grand Indian Council of last week, I have not been able to ascertain anything connected with their proceedings which could be relied upon, save that the Indians took every precaution to keep their proceedings from the knowledge of the whites, and were to keep their meeting a secret if possible. I have conversed with several gentlemen, men who have long been residents of California, and whose opinions, from their intimacy and true knowledge of Indian character, should entitle them to considerable weight, and they tell me, that the proceedings of the Indians throughout the country are truly ominous in the extreme.

One of these gentlemen informs me that about three weeks since the tribes adjoining the ranche of one of our old and most respectable citizens held a long "council talk," in which the manoeuvres of the Indians were so manifestly suspicious. that at its close.

manifestly suspicious, that at its close, the proprietor called up the three principal chiefs, and attempted to get a confession from them, in a mild and persuasive manner; failing in this, he placed them in a room, and though threats and menaces were used to extort the confession, still they gave him no answer. Incited very much by their sullen silence and stupidity, the old man took down his double-barrel gun, and ushered them from the room, telling them (for he could speak their language well,) "that the time had now come when secret tribunals could no longer be tolerated, and secret proceedings no longer be allowed in the midst of the white settlements, and from the relations existing between the whites and Indians at this time, he knew they were planning some hostile scheme; it therefore became his duty, as it does every white man, when in his power, to put a stop to every thing savoring of hostility or outrage. If, therefore, they saw proper to communicate the object and determinations of that council, they could depart in peace, otherwise he would kill them." The only answer he received was a sullen stare from each. I will not detail the further means used in attempting to get a knowledge of the facts in behalf of the people of California, but suffice it, that every thing was ineffectual; and

when the sun went down behind the Butes to the westward, two dead Indians might have been seen lowered into one grave, near the banks of the river, under a wide spreading oak. The third refused to divulge anything to the last, and finally made his escape.

This gentleman also corroborates a statement made to me by a friend of mine, a gentleman of veracity and intelligence, who was informed by the the Indians, in a late trip on the Co-sumnes, that a grand attack was contemplated by all the Indians, when the grass dried up and the waters get low.

If such truly be the case, would it not be proper for miners in every portion of the country to keep a watch upon their movements, and through you, or similar mediums of communication, extend to their friends and neighbors, facts as they may come to their knowledge. In fact, gentlemen, a man at present cannot do justice to himself, his fellow man, or his country, who would act otherwise. There is something brewing in these Indian councils, you may depend; and if what we hear is not altogether true, what we see should, at all events, be entitled to some consideration.

Respectfully, J. R.