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Northern California—Cities on the Coast—Indian War in Oregon.

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.)

CRESCENT CITY, Aug. 14, 1853.

EDITORS ALTA:—Our city is steadily progressing, and whilst building is added to building the number of our population is gradually increasing. The trail to the interior of this section and into Oregon, has been much improved by work accomplished by Mr. Sloan and 12 to 15 hands, for some weeks past, and every thing now bids fair to continue a business so lately commenced by the merchants, who began it in an almost wild tract of country, and which has thus far met with almost unprecedented success. Town property is rather upon the rise, although nothing like a speculating disposition exists either with buyers or sellers. Those now in possession being willing to hold property, presents one feature which denotes the permanent security of business and the ultimate prosperity of our infant city. The health of the city and vicinity is excellent, and the fresh and invigorating air from the great Pacific adds brightness to the eye and a ruddy, healthy hue to every cheek.

We have had the *Active*, an U. S Steamer, in our roadstead, for the purpose of surveying our coast and bays; and although we have had several surveys made which were reliable, we shall very probably have in a short time an official report from the officers of that vessel.

Late arrivals from Jacksonville, Oregon, bring in intelligence of great disturbances by the Indians. It is said that the Rogue River, Klamaths (of the upper county) and Shastas are combined. A number of the whites have been killed and wounded, among whom are several of my own acquaintances. Mr. Thomas Wiils is said to be mortally wounded, Mr. Dunn was shot in the shoulder and wrist, Mr. Rhodes Noland was killed, besides a number of others. Mr. J. Lewis had six mules killed, besides a number of others. The citizens of southern Oregon, so uniformly taking sides with the *poor persecuted* Indians, have now an opportunity, in the kindness of their hearts, to render a peace offering to different tribes. Some of the Sons of America, believing that the blood of freemen called from the ground for vengeance, took their peace offerings in their hands and went to meet the Savages. One of the first votaries offered upon the altar was Sam. one of the Chiefs of the Rogue River, and brother to the late Chief of the

Rogue Rivers, and brother to Joe, the head Chief. He had fortified Table Rock, and with his band awaited the attack. The next onslaught was to have been made upon Joe and his warriors. Should the citizens of that lovely county allow it the war will be terminated before the next spring.

This morning, our eighteen pounder vomiting forth its volumes of fire and smoke, denoted the arrival of one of your pretty vessels from San Francisco. Before the reverberations from our rocks and shores had subsided, once more was their throat greeting in thunder tones the appearance of our steamer, the *Hunt*. J. S. W.