

NEWS FROM TEJON AND KERN RIVER — Mr. Robert A. Thompson has just arrived from Tejon. He informs us that the wheat crop is now being threshed and stored by the Indians, and ready for market. They have a small mill in operation, but it is entirely too small to grind and make flour of the immense crop of wheat raised there this year, yet still it furnishes sufficient for the consumption of the operatives and those living at Tejon.

Mr. T. says that Maj. Donaldson is making preparations to remove the Fort to Canada de la Uvas, about 13 miles on the road this side of the old one. They are busy making adobes; the erection of winter quarters, and will be able in a short time to remove their whole garrison there. This is said to be a beautiful and healthy location, and much preferable to the old fort.

Mr. T. says that at Kern river it is very sickly, and many of the miners are becoming discouraged, and leaving, although he met a number of persons on the road going there, who will take the places of those leaving.

He prospected several places along the river banks, and says he invariably got gold. From his prospects, he thinks that the mines are rich, and by working them with proper machinery that they would pay good wages. The miners that are there and at work extracted their gold with cradles, and make from \$5 to \$6 per day. If they had the lumber to make the long Tom or sluices, they could do much better — *Southern Californian*.

Last Sunday we took a stroll through several of the vineyards. After passing through Mr. Brundiges, picking a ripe bunch of grapes whenever we could get it, we crossed into Mr. Wolfskill's. This vineyard is one of the most extensive in this place. It is said to contain 30,000 vines, which now hang loaded down with the green fruit. We saw none that was ripe, but most of the bunches were turning, and in a short time will be ripe enough for market. The pear trees are overloaded with fruit, and many of the limbs are breaking from the tree with their heavy burthen. The figs and oranges are making their appearance, and the apples and quinces are ripening — *ib.*

HEAVY RAIN. — The *San Diego Herald* says: — Between 6 o'clock Sunday evening and sunrise on Monday, rain fell in this city to the depth of six inches. We are credibly informed that the like quantity of water had not previously fallen in the same number of hours, for more than four years. Its beneficial effects are quite perceptible in the velvet verdure which has sprung up on every side, luxuriant and beautiful.

Robberies seem to be very common in San Diego.