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Murder by the Indians near Crescent City—Extensive Arrest—Pursuit of the Klamath Tribe.

We are indebted for the following to Capt. D. W. Thorp, of Crescent City, the same having been communicated to him yesterday by an acquaintance direct from that point. On or about Thursday last, it was discovered that a Mr. French, one of the earliest settlers of that district and resident within about six miles of Crescent City, had been murdered while on a hunting excursion. Between thirty and forty of the Indians in that neighborhood were immediately arrested for the purpose, if possible, of ascertaining and punishing the offenders. In consequence of their representation that the crime was committed by the chief of the Klamath Indians—his son and another of the tribe—a party started in pursuit of them on Thursday, the day the informant left. Should their search prove unsuccessful, it was thought that a company of Rangers, commanded by Capt. Thorp and numbering fifty-one men, would prosecute the pursuit. Mr. French was married, well known, and universally esteemed. Considerable excitement existed at Crescent City in consequence of the outrage.