

The flames were first discovered about 4 o'clock on the morning of the 8th inst., bursting forth from a wooden building occupied as a drinking saloon, on Main street, between Cram, Rogers & Co. and Howlett's new fire-proof brick building, and Cram, Rogers & Co.'s Express Office. All the buildings between these two houses, including Cram, Rogers & Co.'s Express Office, were burned. The brick building was uninjured. Dr. Gatliff's new brick building arrested the fire on the opposite side of the street. Cram, Rogers & Co. saved all of their books, papers and other valuables; their loss is perhaps under \$4000. The building in which the fire occurred was worth about \$1000. Dr. Gatliff's loss is supposed to be about \$4000; the same for George Durand and an equal amount for the remainder, it is thought, will cover the losses. Cram, Rogers & Co. opened their office on the opposite side of the street at daylight.

The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. The letter of Rhodes & Co. says it is supposed to have been done by the accomplices of the man who was shot the night before, while attempting to rob the jewelry store of Mr. Hanson.—*Shasta Courier.*

THE NEW INDIAN COLONY.—We had an interview on last evening with Mr. Ford, the acting agent of the Indian Department, in its efforts to colonise the Diggers. He was just down from the reservation in the vicinity of Tehama. The number already colonized is about 800. They are of several different tribes, some of which have heretofore been at hostilities for many years. Through his influence they have come together and entered into solemn treaties with each other to live hereafter as friends of one family. Thus far they appear highly satisfied with the arrangement which is to result in supplying all their wants by their own labor. Those now on the ground are tribes who have had little intercourse with the whites. They are now engaged in preparing the land for a thousand acres of wheat, which forms their chief article of food.—*Statesman.*