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CALIFORNIA AFFAIRS.

KIDNAPPING INDIANS.—Col. Henley has been endeavoring for some time past to discover the persons engaged in the notorious trade of stealing Indians. This infamous practice has been extensively carried on, the object being to sell them to those of the whites whose conscience would permit them to purchase. Col. Henley has succeeded in obtaining the arrest and indictment of several persons. We learn, that one of the kidnapers has been convicted and sent to the State Prison.— There was an attempt made a short time since by some Mexicans to steal thirteen children from one of the Reservations, but the scoundrels were overtaken and some of them captured. The children were tied together by the wrists and when rescued the rope had cut them severely. A large number of the children have been brought down and sold in the agricultural counties. They bring from fifty to two hundred and fifty dollars each. Such conduct has the effect of making Indians very shy of coming into the Reservations, as they think that it is a trick to deprive them of their children.—
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