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We have received the *Crescent City Herald* of the 9th, and the *Yreka Herald* of the 6th.

The rumors of Indian massacres on the Klamath, which appeared in this paper a day or two ago, is confirmed. The *Crescent City Herald* says :

Mr. H. B. Dickinson came in late last night from the mouth of the Klamath. He states that on Saturday morning (2d inst.) he had left Capell Rancheria (about 25 miles from the mouth) and had come down the river, fishing and conversing with the Indians. While at the mouth trustworthy Indians brought to him the startling news that on Saturday night the Indians fell upon the sleeping whites, killed all of them (six men) with the exception of Mr. Shelton, and took away their guns and provisions.

It is supposed that the attack was made by the Indians recently brought to the Reservation.

Alex. Hamilton, a young man, but an old resident of this county, is amongst the victims.

The Indian Agent, Mr. Whipple, was on the point of leaving for the Reservation when the news arrived. He thinks it strange that the Indians should have surprised the whites sleeping, as they had been in the habit of keeping a guard every night.

A detachment of United States soldiers is stationed at Witchepeck (at the mouth of the Trinity river) about twenty-five miles above the Reservation.

As we finish writing the above, we learn from packers just arrived that on Saturday last the Indians killed four white men (travelers, as far as we could ascertain,) and two Chinese, in Illinois Valley, O. T., (some fifty miles distant from here). William Shelly is reported to have been severely wounded.

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MOUTH OF SMITH RIVER.—The company mining on the beach have completed their race, and for Friday and Saturday last their proceeds existed in two pounds of amalgum, equal to about ten ounces dust.—*Crescent City Herald*.

CLARK'S CREEK.—But five or six companies are at work. The diggings seem to be limited to a few good claims, averaging from \$8 to \$16 per day to the hand.—*Id.*

ALTHOUSE CREEK.—There are reported to be from three to five hundred miners working on this creek with very good success.—*Id.*

SUMMER.—With the month of June the dry, gushing blasts of the north wind have finally set in.—*Id.*

KLAMATH RESERVATION.—Mr. Whipple, our Indian Agent, came up a passenger on the America. He brought with him some agricultural implements, tools, seeds, a supply of twine for fishing nets, etc., to be used on the Reservation, within the limits of which are already scattered about 1500 Indians of every age and sex, living in some 150 huts.

The bulk of the Indian population in our county is living on the Klamath river and its tributaries, and has been variously estimated at from three to five thousand. It is intended to gradually concentrate the whole of them on the Reservation, where by degrees they will be initiated into the mystery of "eating bread in the sweat of their face," and enjoy in return the protection of Uncle Sam.

The whites in every instance, we are informed by the Agent, have extended to him every desirable facility, and have often lent a helping hand in furtherance of the benevolent objects of his mission. Some thirty soldiers are stationed near the Reservation and at Capel rancheria.

Trinidad is improving, and one or two new stores will shortly be opened. The steamers plying between Crescent City and San Francisco touch at that place.

INDIAN DEPREDACTIONS ON THE TRINITY.—We are sorry to learn that the Indians have succeeded in stealing part of the train of Messrs. Sleeper, Hamlin & Co. They lost ten mules. There is not the least shadow of an excuse for an Indian outbreak at this time of year. They should be pitched into and exterminated this time.—*Mountain Herald*.