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We are under obligations to Mr. Little for interesting news from the Reservation.

Mr. Ridley, the old Indian interpreter has been appointed by Col. Henly, Sub Agent, which gives great satisfaction to the Indians, and also to the men that are employed there.

The Indians are coming in from the mountains and going to work with unusual industry, and are making adobes by thousands, for building houses for themselves instead of the brush shanties they now live in. The utmost order and economy is exercised by the new agent, which is truly gratifying to those who feel a sympathy for the poor Indian, and are anxious that he should receive that attention which was intended, when the Reservation was established.

CALIFORNIA WHALE FISHERIES.—In addition to several whalers that are fitting out at Benicia for a cruise, we have two companies that have adopted a more economical plan and have stations at Monterey and Crescent City, where they have whale boats armed and equipped with the proper implements of the craft, to make a descent on the briny monsters whenever they appear in the offing. Large numbers have been captured in this manner, towed into the harbors, cut up and tried out on the beach. Stock companies have been formed and it is reported that the business is increasing in value and importance. We would like to see the organization of such a company at San Pedro, as the location is in every respect as eligible as on any other portion of our coast. Who will make a move in this matter, and realize a fortune before all the old fogies have begun to think about it?

ARTESIAN WELLS.—The *S. F. Chronicle* says there are 75 Artesian Wells in that city. About 19 000 feet have been bored, costing on an average about \$3,50 per foot, amounting to about \$67,000. The deepest well is 260 feet 127 of which is through the solid rock. In San Jose the Artesian wells vary from sixty to 250 feet in depth. The Stockton City Council, authorized the boring of an Artesian well and after boring 400 feet, abandoned the job.

Mr. D. W. STEELE, who accidentally shot himself at Taylor's ranch in this county last month, has so far recovered as to be able to walk out. He is represented to be partially deranged, and the probability is that he will never entirely recover from the effects of the wound.

The Los Angeles Hotel (formerly the Star) was never in more perfect condition or more at-