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Through the attention of the Pacific Express Co., we are placed in receipt of the Crescent City Herald of the 5th inst.

During the month of August, seven vessels arrived at Crescent City, discharging 773 tons of merchandise.

The first rain of the season fell on Thursday, the 3d inst. It rained most all day.

Two large humpbacked whales had been killed within a distance of three miles of Crescent City. They were taken to an island in the bay, cut up and converted into oil. The oil of the humpback ranks next in value to that of the sperm whale. The company engaged in this business at Crescent City have captured four whales within the past three weeks.

INDIAN TROUBLES IN THE INTERIOR.—It appears that as yet none of the Indians, who lately committed such horrible outrages on the Upper Klamath have been punished. It was useless that hundreds of miners had left their business and went out in pursuit of them. The Indians when closely pressed, took shelter with the U. S. Officers on the Rogue River Reservation from where, it seems, they can only be got by due process of law, commencing with a requisition from the Governor of California. The officers in their course of action probably do but their duty; still it is not to be expected that the unprovoked murder of some fifteen white men will be propitiated by a tedious and expensive legal prosecution of the guilty Indians, and it is not surprising to hear that the miners express their dissatisfaction with the course the officers at the Reservation deemed it their duty to pursue.

On Althouse creek, we learn, the Indians have lately amused themselves by pilfering from the miners' cabins provisions, tools, clothing, &c. The diversion left the miners minus about one thousand pounds of provisions.

All the depredations are charged to the Indians belonging to the Rogue River Reservation, who thus accumulate upon themselves a cloud of guilt, which sooner or later will burst upon their devoted heads.—*Crescent City Herald.*

Wheat.

As there have been a great many contrary opinions expressed in regard to the possibility of raising good wheat on this northern coast, we have waited with some anxiety for the result of experiments which have been made this year, on a scale large enough to satisfy the most incredulous; and we are happy to be able to inform our readers that those experiments have proved perfectly satisfactory. As fine a crop of wheat as was ever harvested has been raised this year on the farms of Messrs. Daniel Haight and Major Bradford, of Smith River Valley,—although sowed on new ground, not put in at the proper season, and being considerably damaged by the wild geese during the winter it stood about 6 feet high and the heads yielded from 80 to 100 grains of as plump, handsome wheat as can be found in any country. The result of this experiment will settle a question of great importance to the farming interest here. It gives assurance that a crop can be produced here which is every where considered the most important that can be raised.—*Ibid.*

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