

The Trinity trail was good at the time of crossing, the snow on Scott's mountain being sufficiently hard to sustain the weight of animals. The late storm will not interrupt travel but for a short time, as the streams are now falling very rapidly.

A number of trains with flour were due from this point over the Sacramento trail. Nothing had been heard from Bruner's party, who it will be recollected had the severe engagement with the Pitt River Indians, on the Sugar Loaf Mountain.

Scott's Valley presents a lovely appearance at present, having fully donned its spring vestments of budding trees, freshly grown herbage, and beautiful flowers. The farmers are as busy as bees, getting in their crops.

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INTERESTING TO SISKIYOU VOLUNTEERS.—We are glad to perceive that the bill for the payment of volunteers under Captains Wright and McDermott, reported back on the 22d by Senator Sprague, from the Committee of Indian Affairs, passed the Senate on the 24th ult.,—ayes 11, noes 11; the Lieut. Governor voting in the affirmative. The bill appropriates a sum not exceeding \$23,000 for this purpose. These volunteers spent much time and money in a most dangerous and arduous service, in defending the immigrants last fall, against the Indians on the northeast frontier, and deserve a fair compensation from the State.

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FROM HUMBOLDT BAY.—Mr. P. Grinell, eleven days from Humboldt Bay, informs us that just before he left the town of Eureka, the report had arrived there that 16 of the 18 men who were exploring the road from Paragon Bay to Rogue River Valley, had been killed by the In-

dians. We trust the report may prove groundless, and yet there is some ground for the belief that it is true, as at our last dates nothing had been heard of them, although they had been expected every day for a week previous.

Two men were hung at Eureka several weeks since for murdering and robbing two merchants in that place. The murdered men kept the trading post known as the "Jew Store." One of the men confessed the murder. They had a fair and deliberate trial, continuing through a whole week, at the hands of the people, who hung them upon their own responsibility.

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THE FIRST OF APRIL.—Yesterday was a merry day for the wags of our town, and if we were permitted to relate all the "sells" and jokes perpetrated at the expense of the unwary and credulous, our readers would have food for laughter for the next week. It is hard to account for the origin of playing jokes on this particular day. Blackstone incidentally alludes to it in his chapter on "Contingent Remainders." His inferences, however, are rather unsatisfactory. "Israel's Sweet Singer," in his 151st Psalm, evidently alludes to a custom very similar to this amongst the tribe of the children of Dan,

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"HAVE A CIGAR?"—We are now enabled to greet our friends with this delightful enquiry, whenever they do us the pleasure to drop in upon us, for which we are indebted to our friend J. G. Doll, Esq. The article presented us is the real genuine "La Sevillana Garantizados" brand, manufactured of the best tobacco from the Vuelta Abajo—so do not let any one think that we desire to make an "April fool" of him. Mr. Doll has a large supply on hand. Call in and take a whiff or two.