our own lives, property and rights.

TWENTY-TWO INDIANS KILLED .- We ar informed by Messrs Jeffreys and Pope, who are just from Pitt river, that the Company of Settlers, forty in number, that went out some days since under Capt. Johnson, with the design of whipping the Indians on McCloud river, attacked a party of twenty-six of them on Friday the 24th inst., killing twenty-two and severely wounding three others, one only having escaped unharm-Many of the savages killed were wearing some of the clothing which they robbed from the large party of Chinamen whom they killed several weeks ago. When our informant passed Dribelbis' Ferry, the company of whites were lying there waiting for the return of Capt. Johnson, when it was their intention to make an excursion up on Pitt river. We have no doubt before they return the savages will be brought to a sense of the terrible danger they run in killing and robbing the whites. At least if they do not teach them this lesson, they will fail to accomplish the most important object of the expedition.

A Vacancy.—We are sorry to learn that the Methodist Episcopal Conference, which met in Sacramento last week, did not think it advisable to send a minister of their church to this place. An earnest and intelligent minister of the gospel would be well supported in this community. We understand that the presiding Elder of this Circuit is empowered to supply the vacancy. We assure him that he may save himself all trouble unless he can send us some individual of at least respectable talents. Rev. Mr. Rogers, who was located here last year, is sent to the town of Auburn.