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By the arrival of the brig Jane, from Humboldt Bay, we are placed in possession of the *Times*, of Feb. 17th, from which we make up the following items :

PROVISIONS.—We notice that the price of provisions in this market is now approximating to prices in the States. Fresh pork is selling at 15 cents $\frac{7}{8}$ lb. Eggs at 62 to 75 cents $\frac{7}{8}$ dozen.

HARD TIMES.—Under this head the *Times* has a column on the present depressed condition of the lumber trade. It advises an entire suspension of shipments to this place for three months.

AN ABORIGINAL ORATOR.—There is an Indian boy on the Klamath river, about fifteen years of age, called "Jim," who exercises an extraordinary influence over the Indians. He is said to be precociously eloquent. In discussing the question of peace or war, in a grand council, Jim mounted the stump in favor of peace, and by his "talk" silenced all opposed to him. He has the "*bar sinister*" on his escutcheon," the stain of illegitimate birth, which is looked upon by the Indians as a greater stigma than it is among the whites.

OUTRAGEOUS.—While Capt. Judah, U. S. A., was on the Klamath, he met with much opposition from a certain class who were advocates for the total extermination of all the Indians in this section, irrespective of their peaceable disposition, and after no little trouble and vexation, he managed to compromise matters so that the Indians who gave up their arms and remained in their ranches were to be protected in their persons and property. All the people on the river, except seven or eight, pledged themselves to carry out the pledge to the letter. Since Capt. Judah returned, and while the volunteers were out after the

while the volunteers were out after the hostiles, the seven or eight men alluded to, went to a rancheria of friendly Indians and burnt up all their houses, for the purpose, it is said, of provoking the Indians to join the Red Caps in the mountains, or through a cowardly disposition to make mischief—causing the Indians to believe that there was no intention on the part of the whites to keep their pledges with them. Such conduct should be severely punished.

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