

words: During the time the water lasted after the discovery, a few men took out from \$3 to \$6 per day to the hand, of very fine gold, upon one gulch only. The water has now failed in that gulch, and they are now attempting to supply it by means of a ditch, which is most likely to prove a fruitless endeavor, as there is little to bring, and that fast disappearing. This whole country will soon be destitute of water sufficient for mining purposes; with plenty of this essential element, good wages might be made in many places. Without it nothing can be done.

Yours, truly,

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TO COL. JAMES M. SCOFIELD.

INDIAN MURDERS.—The *Shasta Courier* learns that two men—Wm. Cochran and Jesse Brown—were recently murdered by the Indians on the south fork of Cottonwood. It is said that Brown had with him about one thousand dollars, and Cochran four or five hundred. It was the freedom with which the Indians spent this money at Farr's trading post that led to the discovery of the crime. Mr. Farr and others succeeded in capturing the squaws of the murderers, who divulged the whole matter.—They say that they carried wood to burn the murdered men, and then pounded their bones to powder, so that the whites should not find them. They furthermore stated that this tribe has plenty of stock and money, and that they have, up to the present time, killed five white men.

ADAMS & Co.—Judge Howell, of the El Dorado District Court, has decided that Alvin Adams and D. H. Haskell, being non-residents of the State, are not entitled to the benefit of the Insolvent Act, and that a discharge as to debts contracted within the State would be void. The learned Judge quotes the thirty-