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Letter from Oregon.

The schooner *Empire* arrived at San Francisco on Sunday, 24th inst., by which we have late Oregon news.

Another Indian outbreak, says the *Oregonian* of June 16th, has commenced in Southern Oregon, between the Applegate, Illinois and Coast Indians and the whites. The Indians have killed several white persons and committed other depredations upon the settlers: such as shooting stock, driving mules and cattle into the mountains, &c. The settlers have become alarmed, and have determined to

make a treaty with these bands which will be lasting to the end of time. The Rogue River Indians have been collected together upon the reservation, by Dr. Ambrose, the Indian agent, and were peaceable when we left, a few days ago.

The mining operations in Southern Oregon, are almost entirely suspended for want of sufficient water. It is said that there has been less rain during the last winter and spring than ever before.

The *Oregonian* has been shown a fine specimen of salt, manufactured on the Willamette Slough, about fifteen miles below Portland. The salt was of the finest quality--of a pure white color--free from all impurities, and equal in every respect to the famous Salinas salt manufactured at Salinas, in the State of New York. The springs from which the water flows are said to be inexhaustible. Machinery is being prepared wherewith to manufacture enough salt for our home consumption at a large reduction from the price now paid for it, and also large quantities for exportation.

MAKING BRIDES A traveler in Germany says: "The Germans, by the way, have a queer way of making 'brides,' and of doing some other things in the courting and marrying way which may interest you, perhaps. When a maiden is betrothed, she is called 'bride,' and so continues till she becomes 'wife.' All the while she is engaged she is 'bride.' The lovers, immediately upon the betrothal, exchange plain gold rings, which are given them