

Indian Girl is Frozen To Death

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A most distressing affair occurred Friday night when native pupils ran away from the Indian government school and started for Susanville. Three of the girls were about sixteen years old and two were only eight. The employees at the mission missed them and the superintendent telephoned all over the country in an effort to locate them, but failed to find any trace until Saturday.

The three older girls reached Westwood at 10 o'clock Friday evening, and when questioned, stated that there were only three of them in the party that ran away. The others had gone back.

The next morning, Joe Ariasi, driver on the Westwood Greenville stage line, found one little girl frozen to death. Beside the road, four miles from Westwood, near Clear Creek, still holding in her hand a little bag of candy.

The other little girl was found a short distance away, with both her legs frozen.

All the girls were lightly dressed but the older girls had taken most of the clothes from the little ones and left them to perish in the night. The little one with the frozen limbs is being cared for at the Westwood Hospital but will be returned to the mission as soon as she is able to travel. It may be necessary to amputate one foot. ¹³

Take notes with your partner on the following:

- List some facts.
- List some perspectives.
- What facts are missing?
- What perspectives are missing?

