

WAR NEWS.—The news from the two great nations of Europe now at war, daily increases in interest. Prussia, by her unparalleled energy, shows that she has no superior among the great nations of the earth. In the space of two weeks she has called a million of men to arms, equipped them, and sent 800,000 soldiers into France in one body—a feat that was never before accomplished by any nation on earth.

The Chicago Republican takes this view of the war: The "aggressive policy of Prussia" so much harped on by the Democratic press of this country, consists in efforts to put a stop to French invasions by establishing the unity of Germany.

In a state of peace the South German countries have an independent existence, but during war they become practically a part of the Prussian Power.

A narrative of Rhinish Prussia writes to M. Garnier de Cassagnac that the German people on the left bank of the Rhine do not desire annexation to France, and that "before conquering that section the French must destroy the animosities of the people of the German Confederation—rather difficult matter."

The San Francisco Democracy affords a nice illustration of the "happy family." After having fought among themselves before the election, they are now having a squabble over the result of the primaries and accusing each other of all manner of political crimes.

The war in Europe begins to cut a figure in the politics of New York City. The World is outspoken in favor of France, and the Germans of New York at meetings recently held have denounced its course. On the other hand the Republican General Committee of the city have published a series of resolutions which have a bias in favor of Prussia.

VARIOUS ITEMS.

Fires are raging in the Blue Mountains, and Grand Ronde valley is encircled by a ring of fire.

Goose Lake is said to contain a population of over 300 souls.

A leading Democratic journal suggests the name of Hendricks, of Indiana, and John Quincy Adams, of Massachusetts, as a strong Democratic Presidential team.

A little son of Jas. Harris, at King's valley, aged two years, one day last week was thrown backward into a vessel of hot water, and so badly scalded that he died less than two days thereafter.

A two-story brick is to be built in Walla Walla for hotel purposes. A woolen mill is to be erected in the valley soon.

A hundred lodges of Blackfeet Indians have recently died with the small-pox, says the Walla Walla Union.

Montana is the stock raising country of the world. A Montana paper says that a yearling brought forth twice this Spring, and a calf in the same herd, only eleven months old, last May gave birth to a fine large calf.

The vira vocis system of this State is being discussed, pro and con, by various Democratic journals. Fix the matter up to suit yourselves, gentlemen.

The Indian troubles in Wyoming surpass, in atrocity and horror, anything in her previous history. The Utes attacked the miners of North Park, and massacred almost every man. Public meetings are being held, and everybody is arming.

Since Grant's inauguration the revenue receipts have increased \$32,000,000, and the customs \$19,000,000; the Government expenses have been lessened \$50,000,000, and the public debt reduced \$146,000,000.

According to the estimates of the Agricultural Department, the present wheat crop of the United States will fall short of the crop of 1869 some 48,000,000 bushels.

The same paper says that Mosher and Chadwick are at loggerheads over the coming Senator, the first wants his father-in-law, Jo. Lane, of course, and Chadwick wants to be Governor himself.

The French Mitrailleuse is a light 37-barreled gun, arranged that its barrels may be discharged simultaneously or consecutively.

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The Secretary of the Treasury has awarded to the Alaska Commercial Company the lease of the privilege of taking fur seals on the islands of St. Paul and St. George for the period of 20 years.

News from Exchanges.

The Herald says Ben Holladay has christened the Mollala railroad station tonight, "Canby City," in honor of Gen. Canby.

The editor of the Weston Landmark asks his readers to excuse the "looks of his paper," as he is in bed from the effects of a fight with a delinquent subscriber.

A few days ago a stage coach on the route from Corinne to Helena, Montana, was attacked by robbers, and a man named Charles Rogers was fatally wounded.

Mr. A. Hood, near Oregon City, has received a present of a pair of Cashmere goats from Governor Edwards of California.

Thomas Cave, insane, has been committed to the Asylum, from Yamhill.

Wm. Franklin, who was accidentally shot by the police in Portland, is fast recovering, and can already walk a little.

Rev. E. C. Anderson has accepted the position as Superintendent of common schools for Multnomah county.

A load of hay burned up by a spark catching it from the fire in the woods near Portland. The driver had barely time to unhitch and save his team.

The Corvallis Gazette says that three Indians, confined in the Benton county jail for larceny, when they escape the other day.

The dwelling of F. R. Smith, one and a half miles from Salem, was destroyed by fire on Sunday evening last. Loss, about \$2,000.

The Bulletin learns that Thoms Hickey was drowned in the South Fork of the Yamhill river, 3 miles from McMinnville, on Sunday morning, while bathing.

The vanguard of the army of grasshoppers has appeared in Boise valley Idaho, but the crops have been gathered out of their reach.

It is stated that the owner of the Alaska Times will remove the "plant" of that paper to Seattle, where he intends to establish a newspaper.

On Thursday last the thermometer at Boise City showed a temperature of 108 deg. in the shade. Seven flights occurred on Main street that day.

The assessed value of taxable property in nineteen counties of Washington Territory is \$9,621,089. The two remaining counties will probably add it \$175,000.

In Wasco county the contest instituted by the Republicans has resulted in their securing the two Commissioners. Democratic frauds were exposed which made it clear that the Republican candidates were duly elected.

The public debt statement shows a decrease for July of seventeen millions. During the last three months a total reduction has been made of fifty millions, thus effecting a saving in interest of three millions a year.

When Lingard was impersonating different characters on the stage of a New York theater, he came out one night as "Our Saviour," and in order to show the meekness of the Saviour, he allowed the audience to "revile" him and persecute him by throwing peanuts at him.

Ex-President Johnson made a three hours' speech on politics at Knoxville, Tenn., on the 21st of July.

The Roseburg Ensign tells how the sheriff, in trying to arrest an Indian accused of horse stealing, had to run a race and finally swim a river, before he could catch the delinquent, but he did catch him, but he had to draw a revolver on him before he would stop.

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The Upper Sodas.

Mr. REGISTER.—Having recently, with a party of friends, made a short tour to the "Cascades," as far as the "Upper Sodas," I have thought a brief account of the trip might not be uninteresting to your readers.

The mountain road is certainly creditable to the enterprise of its projectors, and is in excellent condition, but little short of as good as could be constructed on the ground it traverses.

The Wylie Mountain and the crossings of the Santiam are the chief difficulties. These, however, can be entirely avoided; the former by a feasible route either along the eastern or western base of the mountain, of easy grade and not materially affecting the distance.

The crossings of the "Upper Sodas" by a road of easy construction and light grades on the west side of the river. These changes will render the road available much earlier in the spring.

The crossings of the "Upper Sodas" have easy descents and can be readily bridged. When the improvements (already begun) are completed, this pass of the Cascades will be equal to any wagon road I am acquainted with traversing the Alleghany Ranges.

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