

WAR BETWEEN TRIBES.—The Siskiyou Chronicle writes as follows concerning the hostile Indians who inhabit the northern counties of California and Southern Oregon:

"A feud and warfare has long existed between the collection of Indian tribes along the course and about the source of Pitt river on the one side, and the tribes inhabiting the plateau of the lake country east of Yreka, as far north as De Schutes river on the other. In 1857, whilst Lieutenant Crooks was prosecuting a vigorous campaign against the former from Pitt river valley, the lake tribes made a flank movement from the north, and carried off, as spoils of war, fifty-six squaws and children, and traded them for Cayuse horses, to the tribes living on the waters of the Columbia river in the north, where they find a ready market.

"It is reported that about the first of June the combined forces of the Lake tribes will make a descent upon the tribes inhabiting the large valleys along the Upper Pitt river, and have made inquiries beforehand whether the whites have any objection to the proceeding. Inasmuch as the Pitt river Indians have always been a bloody and incorrigible band, their extermination will be a fixed fact, if not a necessity, and it is perhaps as well for their old enemies to do the job. There are, certainly, no circumstances calling for intervention. As a matter of curiosity we inquired prices current in the Cayuse market, and learned that a Pitt river boy brings one horse, and that a good looking squaw is worth five or six.

