

The Indian War.

We learn from the Yreka Union, Extra, that on the 7th inst. a pitched battle was fought at Cow Creek Canon, Rogue River Valley, between about 300 Indians and 400 regulars and volunteers under Capt. Smith, U. S. A., of Fort Lane. The fighting continued from 1 o'clock P. M., till 10—the Indians retreating and firing back upon the whites—when it was deemed necessary that steps be taken to provide for the wounded, and a halt was ordered. The Indians then rallied and commenced firing upon the men, who retired to an open space where a more effectual stand could be made. It was then ascertained that eighteen men were killed and twenty-five wounded. A message was then dispatched to Capt. George, at Althouse, who started immediately with eighty volunteers.

— The Union says "The course pursued by Captain Smith, the determination and zeal manifested, have called forth the encomiums of all—and it is said the coolness manifested, by him upon this particular occasion elicited the admiration of all present." The Captain is undoubtedly deserving of the encomiums heaped upon him by the Union for his zeal and coolness in preventing his company of 400 men from being cut to pieces and destroyed by the superior tactics and skill of 300 savages.

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