

 In the Klamath Indian difficulty some eight or ten white men have been killed, and several wounded. The war was brought on by a parcel of white brutes endeavoring to prostitute Indian squaws, and degrade them, (the squaws) to a level with themselves.

**A NEW RUSSIAN RIFLE CORPS.**—A private letter from St. Petersburg states that the crown serfs have offered the Emperor Nicholas a contingent of 60,000 men, who are to be employed as sharpshooters. Among them are to be all the ermine hunters, who are estimated at 20,000. These are said to be skillful marksmen, who pass their whole lives on the banks of the Ural or the Oby, in the chase of the fox, the beaver and the ermine. It is known that this animal can only be aimed at from a considerable distance, and must be hit in the nose to avoid injuring the skin. The whole of these hunters, so the letter says, are to be immediately organized and sent to the Crimea. They are to be armed with the Minie rifle.

**COLONEL BENTON.**—Washington letter writers are famous for putting into the mouths of great men words which were never uttered or even thought of by the persons to whom they are attributed. The following extract is probably a fair sample of this prevailing propensity:

“Col. Benton is in a spasm on account of the almost certain defeat of his favorite project of a Railroad to the Pacific. On this subject he was to-day heard to remark, ‘The Pacific Railroad, sir, is defunct (from *defungor* to get rid of,) yes, sir, defunct, in the abstract! Congress has killed it, sir—killed it! They are the most stultified body in the world, sir—yes sir, (from *stultus*, a fool, sir,) all of them sir, except myself, solitary and alone, sir! If I had my way with them, sir, I would expunge their names from the rolls of the House (from *expunge*, to blot out)—yes, sir, every mother’s son of them, sir!’”

**THE SCIENCE OF KISSES.**—A lady of experience contends that a kiss on the forehead denotes reverence for the intellect; a kiss on the cheek