

through and the advance of the troops reached the valley.

#### SPOILATION

It is found that the destruction of property along the line of their march is fearful. All the stock that fell into their hands was either maimed, slaughtered, or driven away. The losses of four citizens alone were estimated at \$200,000. Two farm-houses were burned, three citizens killed, and five wounded by the hostiles in crossing this valley. Seven houses were burned and six citizens killed in the adjoining settlement, 30 miles north. Eleven citizens were killed by the hostile Bannocks in Idaho, before our people joined them. Though they had been plundering the country from June 7, the first murders known to have been committed by Piutes were on June 17<sup>th</sup> when they murdered an old man, G.C. Smith, and his son, and burned them in their house, in Happy Valley, at the north end of Stein's Mountain. Up to the present date, according to my best information, 44 citizens and 4 soldiers have been killed by the hostils, and all who fall into their hands are horribly mutilated.

In a conference with their leader, Chief Egan, he informed Mr. Scott, of Camp Harney, just before the outbreak, that they knew they would be subdued--that there were not enough Indians to whip all the whites--but he would fight as long as he could, and then he thought the Great Father at Washington would give him more supplies, like he did when they quit fighting before, and not try to make his people work.