

If variety were always spice, nothing could be more spicy than the ignorance displayed in the comments of English papers upon American affairs. It is most noteworthy just now in connection with the recent Indian troubles. The only incident in these that seems to have attracted attention is the fight at Wounded Knee, which is almost uniformly treated as a bloodthirsty and wanton massacre. The French press, taking its facts from the English press, treats the attitude of the latter with more or less gentle satire, wishing to know what the English philanthropists propose to do about it, and whether the slaughter of red men, mad with the delusion of the appearance of a Messiah, is to be regarded with more patience than the outrages suffered by Armenians or Greeks at the hands of the unspeakable Turk. Americans know that the killing at Wounded Knee was unavoidable and that the military operations against the Indians have been conducted with wonderful skill for the prevention of bloodshed. But for the next decade the nation that blew Sepoys from the cannon's mouth, that has recently given the world the disgusting stories of STANLEY'S rear column, will believe that Americans neither can nor will do anything but "kill out" the Indians.

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