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PEACE! PEACE!—The news from the seat of war is of the most startling character. There is scarcely a doubt that the most bloody and devastating war of modern times is at an end. King William has been everywhere successful, and France is broken and prostrate.

The terms of capitulation and surrender agreed upon by Bismarck and Jules Favre are—

First. The cession by France to Germany of the two provinces of Alsace and Lorraine.

Second. The cession of one colony which has not yet been designated, now held by France.

Third. The payment by France to Germany of two hundred millions of francs as a money indemnity, and finally an unconditional capitulation of Paris.

THE COAL TRADE OF NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.—The coal operations in this county have, of late years, made such rapid and luminous strides that even many of our own citizens are not aware of its vast proportions. Last week we published a statement showing the coal shipments of this county, handled to us by a coal operator, which appears on examination to have been only a partial list embracing less than half of the coal shipped from this region. The shipments from this county now reach over a million of tons per annum, as will be seen by the following statement from our contemporary of the *Bingham Herald*, who justly remarks that "the coal trade has become one of the most important, if not the leading pursuit of old Northumberland." The cash expenditures in this trade alone, among miners, shippers and others, will amount to a sum little short of three millions of dollars.

A CONCLUDING NOTE.—Our good neighbor, the Sunbury *Advertiser*, in last week's issue so far from quite an error in reporting the total coal shipments of Northumberland county to be 1,500,000,000. This only includes the tonnage of the N. C. R. W., 400,000 tons of which were sent westward, the remainder was delivered to the P. & R. R. to go east.

The correct shipments for Northumberland County for 1870 are as follows:

Co. via P. & R. R.	63,774,16
" " L. V. R.	3,671,07
W. " S. T. & N. R.	6,180,17
Total for 1870	41,625,30

Total for 1870 41,625,30

Coal mining has become one of the most important, if not the leading pursuit of old Northumberland. About one-tenth of the entire agricultural product of the country is taken from our county. The statistics of a great many persons as this should be considered when we remember that for years we failed to receive the proper credit, but now even the papers of rival counties are reporting us correctly. It is to be hoped that, that our neighbor, with his usual candor and rectitude, will make the correction, or, if in error in such a journal as the *Advertiser*, will be corrected for and near.

THE INCOME TAX REPEALED.—Through the indomitable energy of Senator Scott from this State, the bill introduced by him, repealing the tax on incomes, has passed the Senate finally by the following vote:

Yeas, 34; Nays, 12. Total, 46.

Mr. Scott, Anthony, Bayard, Buck-

ingham, Cameron, Carpenter, Cassier,

Cole, Conning, Clark, C. L. Fenton, Flanagan,

Fowler, Gurnam of Maryland, Hamilton

of Texas, McDonald, Ogden, Pomroy,

Rice, Scott, Stevens, St. John, Summer,

Thurman, Tompkins, Vickers and Yates—

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Messrs. McCreary, New and Belcher,

in favor of repeal, voted for it, while Mr.

Morton, Biddle and Paul Abbot, and one

noted to the bill.

The following is the text of the bill as

passed by the Senate:

A bill to repeal so much of the act ap-

plied July 14, 1870, entitled "An act to re-

duce internal taxes and for other pur-

poses," etc., so as to reduce the income tax after the 1st day of October, 1868, by 18,

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