

## “The New Prussian Coat of Arms” (August 30, 1871)

### Abstract

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This French caricature, “Le Nouveau blason Prussien,” is directed against Prussia’s hegemonic claims in the new German Empire. The eagle’s right talon holds the French war indemnity, while his left grips the sword of war. The federal states of Germany are listed on wings clearly resembling those of a bat, and the whole image drips blood. This caricature originally appeared as a lithograph in the journal *Le Charivari* on August 30, 1871.

### Source

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