

EAST OF THE ROCKIES.

General Miles Has Laid Siege to the Hostile Indians.

HEMMED IN AT THE BAD LANDS.

Marauding Bands in Nebraska--Striking Miners--Returns of Another Fight.

(SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.)

MILES LAYS SIEGE.

His Troops Surround Three Thousand Hostiles in the Bad Lands.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--General Schofield this morning received a telegram from General Miles, dated Pine Ridge Agency, January 1st, saying 2,000 Indians, including about 600 bucks, are now encamped in the Bad Lands, about fifteen miles from Pine Ridge Agency. All avenues of escape are closed by the troops. General Miles says the Indians have gathered some cattle and provisions and appear to be determined to make their fight for supplies at this point. He says he will make another effort to get them back to the agency without bloodshed, and in order to do so he has established a regular supply line.

General Schofield said there was no truth in the report that General Brooke was relieved from the command at Pine Ridge. General Miles, he added, has charge of the campaign, and has stationed himself at the most convenient point for general communication with his forces.

MILES' CAMPAIGN.

The news contained in the dispatch to General Schofield spread quite rapidly over the departments this morning. There is a strong party in favor of a more decided style of hostilities. They say a single assault will result in killing, if necessary, would precipitate a battle of far less benefit than the loss of a few men would be regarded. The theory of the campaign seems to be based entirely on the belief that a dead Indian is much more valuable to the Government than a captured Indian or one captured or frightened into submission.

On the other hand it is contended that such a campaign as that which is being conducted by the general is not only a proper style of warfare, every condition being regarded. They argue in rebuttal of the "dead Indian" theory that the Sioux can be easily subjected and returned to their reservations if proper means are employed, and they think the present campaign is the only way to accomplish that end.

A prominent War Department official, concerning reports of Indian troubles, today said: "Mark my words, if the reports are true that the friendly bands have joined the hostiles, leaving nothing behind but the smoke and children, they are a serious matter. The fact is, the Indians never will remain contented as long as the Indian agencies are political appointments. An Indian Agency known to the Indians for four years, and 900 pounds of beef weigh only 400 pounds as the result. Then the Indians go hungry and get restless, and are easily led off by the light-colored bucks. If Cody (Buffalo Bill) had been left alone he would have settled the whole trouble. A parley and council of war would have been held, and the Indians would have been pacified."

MORE TROOPS TO THE FRONT.

LINCOLN, Neb., January 24.--In response to the urgent appeals from the inhabitants of northwestern Nebraska for protection against marauding bands of Indians, Governor Murray has ordered the militia to leave on the first train with their commands for the frontier. The troops will be divided between the towns of Chadron, Gordon and Hay Springs. The First Brigade has also been ordered to place itself in readiness to march on short notice.

Should the militia comprised in this brigade be ordered to move, as now seems probable, practically all the National Guard will be centered on the frontier.

MORE FIGHTING REPORTED.

OMAHA, January 24.--A special to the Omaha Bee from Pine Ridge says: "Fourteen cavalry horses, and some of the equipments on, were brought into the hostile camp last night by young warriors. A scout heard hostile make remarks to the effect that they were less soldiers, and to fight, and the hostiles lost only two warriors in getting fourteen cavalry horses, etc. The scout's report has created a new sensation here, and the military headquarters have increased activity around the military headquarters."

This a battle or skirmish has taken place in which the Government has been victorious, and there is little doubt.

RUSHVILLE WANTS MORE AID.

DES MOINES (IOWA), January 24.--A dispatch was to-day received at the office of Governor Boies from the Sheriff at Rushville, Nebraska, saying that he had been asked to purchase the Union Stock Yards at that city and the National Stock Yards at East St. Louis, Mo.

Coal Miners On a Strike.

PITTSBURG, January 24.--The coal miners along the Monongahela river are now on account of a strike for an advance in the price of mining. Three thousand men are at work on the strike, and the strike will be general in a few days.

Ingalls Wounded at Washington.

ATLANTA, Ga., January 24.--Senator Ingalls left for Washington last night after a long and unproductive session.

How the Union Pacific Trouble Over the Omaha Bridge Happened.

New York, January 24.--A representative banker identified with the President's Association, was interviewed and says: "The people are mistaken in supposing the Omaha bridge controversy will result in a President's agreement. The fact that the disagreement has been discovered and prompt steps are being taken to remedy it, shows that there is a general disposition to maintain harmonious relations among all lines, in every particular. The fact is that certain lawyers, in drawing up the Omaha bridge contract, overreached certain other lawyers. The lawyers have made a mistake, rather than the principals. It took the principals, however, in the new management of the Union Pacific, a very short time to discover its ill effects. The new management has the sympathies of the outside railroad men as far as the facts are known."

OMAHA, January 24.--The injunction case of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul vs. the Union Pacific was removed to the Federal Court to-day and the hearing set for Monday.

OPENED AUSEPICIALLY.

The New Year Looks Promising in New York, January 24.--The year 1891 opened auspiciously in Wall street today, and the strength and activity displayed were unusual for the day after New Year's day, especially as it comes at the end of the week and on Friday, when monetary conditions are not generally favorable to advances.

Dealings on the whole had less of the professional appearance than they have had for a long time. There were realizations as the day wore on, but no marked impression was made upon the market, and the highest seen in many days.

The close was firm to strong, at or about the best prices of the day.

HUNGRY FLAMES.

They Devour the Fifth Avenue and Herrmann's Theater. New York, January 24.--Shortly after

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Revival of the Lower California Annexation Story.

CONGRESS MEETS AND ADJOURNS.

A Denver Mining Man Who Will Test the Constitutionality of the Silver Law.

(SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.)

LOWER CALIFORNIA.

A Possibility that It Will Soon Belong to Uncle Sam.

ILL-FATED JOHNSTOWN.

The Inhabitants of That Unfortunate City to a State of Alarm.

PITTSBURG (Pa.), January 24.--The river to-night is 22 feet high and rising slowly. Several ice masses passed down. The Pittsburg bridge is covered, but it is thought the cold snap stopped a flood in time to save damage here, at least.

Heavy west winds are reported on the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Lake roads in Eastern Ohio. On the Charleston, W. Va., division of the Baltimore and Ohio bridge is in danger, and the Kanawha river is overflowing. People in the low grounds are leaving.

At Johnstown serious alarm exists tonight because of the large amount of ice upon the river several miles above the city. It is feared that the ice will break up and sweep down the river.

Eastern Blockades.

KANSAS CITY, January 24.--The last of the heaviest passenger trains started from the Kansas prairie in yesterday's snow-storm, did not reach the union depot until 10 o'clock this afternoon. It was the Santa Fe train, which started from the Burlington and Missouri trainings were reached by relief trains this morning. The passengers experienced no inconvenience beyond an extra delay of two or three hours.

Trains were dug out from huge drifts and arrived here a little before noon.

DENVER, January 24.--A blizzard has been raging in Nebraska and Kansas during the last twenty-four hours, and through trains on nearly all through lines are blocked by snow. Last night's trains were abandoned in some instances, and about 1000 men and women were stranded to leave this morning were abandoned.

Railroad Foreclosures.

CHICAGO, January 24.--The forthcoming issue of the Railway Age will contain a review of the railroad sales and foreclosures for 1890. During the year there were sold under foreclosure twenty-nine roads, aggregating \$3,825 million in capital stock. Twenty-six roads went into the hands of receivers. They embrace nearly 10,000 miles of lines and over \$105,000,000 of securities.

Orange-Buying Excursions.

TAMPA (Fla.), January 24.--The Orange Bayers' Association, which has been an annual excursion since 1870, has just returned from a successful trip. It is composed of members of firms and their representatives from the principal cities of the United States. The excursion was a success, and the President is Mr. Moorehouse of California. While in Havana the members of the association were entertained by the Governor-General.

Epidemic of Small-pox.

ST. LOUIS, January 24.--For some months past an epidemic of small-pox has been raging in Texas and Mexican borders, as well as in several towns in the interior of Texas. Yesterday the Mexican Government notified the United States that it sent a corps of physicians to Portofrio Diaz across from Eagle pass to vaccinate the people and isolate those stricken with the disease. The quarantine is enforced on the American side.

Scottdale Works Closing Down.

SCOTTDALE (Pa.), January 24.--The Scottdale Rolling Mill Company and Pipe Works, which have been in operation since 1840, are to be closed. The works are to be sold, and the employees are to be discharged. The company has been in financial straits for some time, and the sale is the result of a foreclosure.

Work of Dastards.

NEW YORK, January 24.--The west-bound express train on the Lackawanna road was badly wrecked near West Paterson last night, some miscreants having tampered with the express. The train was thrown on a siding where a lot of flat cars loaded with pig-iron stood. The passengers were badly shaken up, and three trainmen severely injured.

The Story Denied.

CHICAGO, January 24.--Messrs. Armour, Morris and Swift of the big packing firms declare that the statement in the dispatch from St. Louis to the effect that they were about to purchase the Union Stock Yards at that city and the National Stock Yards at East St. Louis is untrue.

Fatal Collision.

BALTIMORE, January 24.--Engineer Gornell and fireman Williams were killed in a collision last night between two trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Railway. The other engineer and fireman were badly injured.

Perished in the Flames.

COSBICA (Tex.), January 24.--The Avenue Hotel, a wooden structure near the Cotton Belt depot, was burned last night. Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel, of McGregor, Tex., and an unknown man and a boy perished.

Champion Chess-Players.

NEW YORK, January 24.--Steinitz won the chess game to-day. The score now stands: Steinitz 4; Gunsberg, 2; drawn 4.

An Assassination.

AMITE COUNTY, La., January 23.--C. G. Houque, a prominent citizen, was assassinated to-night. The murderer escaped.

Another Failure.

MINNERSVILLE (N. Y.), January 24.--The Frank R. Miller Paper Mill Company has assigned. Liabilities, \$80,000.

Walsh Held to Answer.

PETALUMA, January 24.--Joe Walsh, the special policeman who some time ago shot and wounded Thomas Studdard, had his examination to-day and was held to answer for the murder of Studdard. He was charged with assault with intent to kill. Ball was fixed at \$50,000.

Corra Phillips Dead.

LOS ANGELES, January 24.--Corra Phillips, widely known as the queen of the demimonde, died of apoplexy last night. She leaves an estate valued at \$100,000 to \$150,000. She was noted for many quiet deeds of charity, and especially to flood sufferers several years ago. She was the wife of Joe Manning, the well-known local politician.

WORLD'S COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION.

The resolution provides that the President shall invite the several States and Territories to hold suitable memorial services on the 12th day of October, 1892, commemorating the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America, and that they cause to be made a profile statue, painting, tablet or other suitable memorial illustrative of the resources, progress and development of such State or Territory, and that such memorial be placed on exhibition in the Columbian Exposition, to be held at Washington during the said Exposition.

COURT MARTIAL ANTICIPATED.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--The Navy Department is in receipt of a letter from a certain island official stating that serious trouble may arise from the investigation of the Aler's condition. It is learned from this letter that the work of Constructor Foster and the construction foreman have been such that they have been compelled to condemn their own work, which is just finished. A Court-martial may follow the report of the Board.

CONGRESS MEETS AND ADJOURNS.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--The House adjourned at 12 o'clock to-day.

TESTING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE SILVER LAW.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--"Sooner or later, and it may come very soon, there is going to be trouble between the United States and Mexico over Lower California," said General Cadwalader, of San Diego, to a Boston man, "geographically it is a piece of country that fits into our area much more naturally than as a possession of Mexico. The miners from our side are continually going down there prospecting, and if there should be a big gold discovery, as it is quite probable, seeing that it is very rich in minerals, there would be a rush to the mines. The Mexicans would not more or less respect the Mexican authority or Mexican laws than they would to the Chinese Empire. This may be the origin of the trouble, and it is only a question of time when trouble will arise, and the best thing to do is to discontinue such contingency by buying the country from our Mexican neighbors. Congressman Vandever intends to see if he can persuade Congress of the utility of such an act before the present session expires. It is not a difficult thing to do, and he is willing to sell at all, but they are shrewd people, and doubtless have long owned and controlled the country, and value to the United States than to them."

THE ENGLISH OCTAPES.

The press dispatches from Eszenada, Lower California, regarding the alarm of American settlers on the peninsula over the recent treatment of Americans by English land-owners and agents of the London syndicate, who now control the peninsula under American concession, have created considerable interest in the matter at the State Department.

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GENERAL VANDEVER'S REPORT.

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IN FOREIGN LANDS.

A Belief That the Home Rule Movement is Defunct.

TRYING TO PATCH UP A PEACE.

Advice to Gladstone From a Conservative Organ--Disastrous Explosion in a Coal Pit--Etc.

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SITUATION IN IRELAND.

A Version of the Parnell and O'Brien Conference.

NEW YORK, January 24.--The Journal's London special says: It is stated on the authority of a close friend of the following is the correct version of what took place at the conference between Parnell and O'Brien at Doulogne: Parnell assured O'Brien that if the latter would take the leadership in a spirit friendly to Parnell, the Government would be "squared," so that O'Brien would not be forced to serve his term of imprisonment, but would be free to return to England or Ireland, and Parnell would retire from the nominal leadership until the general elections, when, with O'Brien's aid, he would sweep the country and ride into power again, in a position of absolute independence, and situated as to hold the balance of power in Parliament with the Irish party and force the Government to accept a home-rule programme. The fact that Parnell feels able to promise immunity to O'Brien from Conservative molestation in the event of the latter's resignation, and that he will again make an alliance with the Conservatives and break his allegiance to the Liberal party, is a fact not to be overlooked. Well informed Irish members declare, however, that should Mr. O'Brien consent to this scheme for the Liberal party, it would be a ruin to his political prospects. Well informed Irish members declare, however, that should Mr. O'Brien consent to this scheme for the Liberal party, it would be a ruin to his political prospects.

THE NATIONAL CURRENCY.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--Representative Kelley of Kansas to-day introduced in the House a bill directing the Secretary of the Treasury to print fractional currency to the amount of fifty million of dollars.

TREASURY APPOINTMENT.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--The Secretary of the Treasury to-day appointed A. L. Drummond, of New York, Chief of the Secret Service Division of the Treasury.

CONGRESSIONAL.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, January 24.--No business whatever was transacted in the Senate after meeting found in the morning.

IN THE HOUSE.

The Speaker laid before the house the resignation of Markham as member of the Board of Managers of the Soldiers' National Home. Resignation accepted.

The House then adjourned until Monday.

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NEW YEAR RECEPTION.

New Year reception was an especially brilliant affair. Monsignor Hotel is the Papal Nuncio, who introduced the members of the Diplomatic Corps, expressed in the name of all heartiest wishes for the prosperity of France. President Carnot replied in similar terms.

BISHOP FREPPEL'S ADVICE.

PARIS, January 24.--Bishop Freppel,