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PRESCOTT, ARIZONA, SATURDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 22, 1873. [57 A YEAR.

Mail Routes and Service.

HARDYVILLE, November 2, 1873.

To the Editor of the Arizona Miner:

As advertisements are again out for proposals for carrying the U. S. mails in Arizona, as well as on all routes on the Pacific coast, for four years after July 1st, 1874, to July 1st, 1878, a review of our situation may be in order, and we ought to find out who misrepresents us in Washington.

In 1866 a contract was let for carrying the mails over the route from Albuquerque to Prescott, yet but few trips were ever made over this route, and I have heard it charged, and publicly, too, that the contracting parties did get away with the whole pay for performing said service, the same as though they had carried it in good faith, and I have reason to believe that this was the case.

The same year a contract was let for carrying the mails over the route from San Bernardino to Prescott via Hardyville, but was afterwards changed to the La Paz route, by what means or through whose influence it was done, I am not prepared to say; but it was thought by some that both routes should have been served with mails alike.

In 1870 the route was again let for carrying the mails from Albuquerque to Prescott, but not a single trip has been made. Now the question is, will they get away with the pay, as did the other contractors.

In 1872 proposals were received for carrying the mails from Hardyville to Prescott. After the bids were opened at Washington, it was several months before a contract was made with the present contractors, and this I am told was done through the earnest request of R. C. McCormick, our delegate in Congress, as the Postmaster-General had been told that the Wallapai mines along said route had been abandoned, and there was no need of a mail on said route.

In 1873 proposals were also received for carrying the mails from Havillah to Mineral Park. The Telegraph company put in a bid and were prepared to immediately put coaches on said line, but when the bids were opened, it was found that a bid was put in by a party interested with James Grant, for twelve thousand dollars per year, or about one-half the sum for which the service could be performed.

Again, interested parties in this Territory represented that said service was not required, and if the time was shortened and pay increased on the route from San Bernardino to Prescott, it would be all that the people of Northern Arizona required. Hence this was done and the route from Havillah to Mineral Park abandoned.

Now, in looking over the present advertisements, I do not see any route advertised from Havillah or Bakersfield to Hardyville or Mineral Park.

The distance from Bakersfield to Hardyville is less than 300 miles, from Hardyville to Prescott, 160 miles. The mails and passengers are laid down in Bakersfield in 20 hours from San Francisco, and it would be only a reasonable time to say the mails could be carried from San Francisco to Hardyville in three days, to Prescott in four days, and from Prescott to Albuquerque in four days.

This would give the people of Prescott a mail from San Francisco in five days, and from New York and Washington in seven days. The route is in every way practicable and safe. It accommodates several military posts, also a large number of inhabitants.

It is true that the people of Los Angeles and San Bernardino would like the line to run by these places, but this is but a local matter with them, and would retard the mails two days; but if the Los Angeles stage run through Tehachap Pass, then the stage or mails would leave the Los Angeles line at Willow Springs, fifty-five miles this side of Bakersfield. This would also pick up the Los Angeles mails on quite as near a route as to run via San Bernardino.

This line would accommodate the people of Buck Springs, at which place a large quartz mill is in operation and about 100 miners are there at work.

Our delegate claims that this route lies principally in California, hence he has nothing to do with it, but other routes have their starters in California also.

It now takes twelve days to get our mails in Wallapai district, and our latest news is received through the Arizona Miner. It takes ten days to get to San Francisco, the same to return. It costs upwards of \$100 for fare; Prescott is but little better off. Capital will be slow to invest as long as this state of affairs exists.

The Miner is looked to as a friend of Northern Arizona, especially when its interests do not conflict with other parts. In this we do not propose to interfere with other routes, but let them run the same as now. But a faster way of carrying the mails we ought to have, and a more comfortable stage line we should have.

I do not believe that Wm. B. Hooper ever interfered with our mails, or with contracts, although it has been reported that he did. But I do believe that R. C. McCormick did. I have good reason for believing that R. C. McCormick did sell out all his interest in the northern part of the Territory, politically, at least, when he signed the act to remove the capital from Prescott to Tucson, and for a consideration, in part the delegation from Pima county pledged themselves to vote for R. C. McCormick for delegate to Congress. And I have good reason for believing that money was used to bribe certain members from the northern part of the Territory to vote for said removal. And I hardly think that R. C. McCormick has ever spoken a good word for the northern part of the Territory since, but has represented Pima county for the past five years, except when he was interested or received pay for so doing.

Late News.

The last rail of the International bridge over the Niagara river was laid on Saturday, November 1st.

The Vienna Exposition closed November 3d, without any special ceremony.

Reno, Nevada, has suffered by a fire in which 99 buildings were burned, with a loss of \$150,000.

The mining stock excitement is reviving in San Francisco. California street has regained its animation and bustle.

Four or five hundred Chinese made their exit from this country on the steamer Colorado, which sailed from San Francisco on the 1st instant.

The ninth anniversary of the admission of Nevada as a State was celebrated with great pomp at Virginia City and Gold Hill, Nov. 1.

The Rhode Island firm of Sprague & Co. will settle up their financial affairs through the bankruptcy court. The liabilities are something over \$11,000,000, while it is claimed that their assets exceed \$19,000,000.

Orders from the War Department, issued October 31, direct that the Modocs be removed from Fort McPherson to a permanent location with the Quapaws, on the Neosho river, in the extreme northeastern corner of the Indian Territory. Val Modocs.

The coroner's verdict in the inquest held at St. Louis, October 30th, on the body of Patsey Marley, charges Mike McCool with his murder. McCool is in jail.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Texas Pacific Railroad Company, held in Philadelphia, October 30th, Tom Scott presiding, it was resolved that the Company's own bonds, first mortgage, etc., be sold to the Company's own shareholders at the lowest rates possible in providing for the secure and proper completion of the road.

Orders from the War Department direct that one hundred recruits be sent immediately to Fort Union, New Mexico.

The Washington Republican notes a case of animal "romance," which occurred in that city. The animals being a cat and a dog, the property of a Mr. Hayes; the latter of which having been poisoned by some ill-disposed person, the remains, carted away for burial, were followed by the former, and by the grave of that faithful canine she shed tears of bitter anguish. Each day since she has spent the greater portion of the time by that grave, and it is evident that the shock was too great for her cat's nerves, that she is declining in health, and will but too soon pass from the realm of earthly things to join that dog in the land where rats bothereth not, and where pizened beef hath no charms for the canine kind.

TELEGRAPHIC.—The tariff per San Diego and Arizona Military Telegraph, has, until further notice, been fixed to and from San Diego as follows: Prescott or Tucson, \$1.50 for the first 10 words, and 50 cents for each additional 5 words or fractional part thereof; Maricopa Wells, \$1.25 for 10 words, and 50 cents for additional 5. Rates within the Territory have not yet been fixed.

Commissioner Drummond of the General Land Office will renew his recommendation for the repeal of the Preemption Laws. He is more than ever satisfied that the law provides means for speculators to secure lands, in direct opposition to the land policy of the Government.

The New York Graphic and the National Republican (Washington) think it would be a nice thing for each State to erect homes for its Senators in Washington. We are rather of the opinion that if some of the States would erect homes within their own limits and keep their Senators in them it would be a nice thing for the country.

U. S. secret service men have discovered and arrested a gang of about 20 counterfeiters in eastern Tennessee. Among the parties arrested are men occupying good position in society and holding offices of trust and emolument.

The estimates for the Indian service for the coming year exceed the expenditures of the year by about \$1,272,000.

The German Minister of Finance has decided to sell 20,000,000 thalers of disused silver to the United States Government, which is the highest bidder thereof.

The inside forms of the Virginia City (Nevada) Enterprise were recently pried by falling from the third story to the basement of the building.

The \$100,000 prize offered by the State of New York for the best steam canal boat, has been awarded to Mr. William Baxter, of Newark, New Jersey. On the trial trip, Baxter's boat only consumed fourteen pounds of coal per mile.

Walworth, the New York parade, writes from Sing Sing that the convicts are preparing to give Stokes a grand reception when he has had his hair cut and donned their beautiful regulation uniform of varied colors.

The name of Theodore Tilton has been struck from the roll of Plymouth Church. Beecher protested against the action.

Bismark recommends that the German Government accept the invitation of the United States to attend the Centennial celebration at Philadelphia.

Attention, Deserters.

At the request of the military authorities, we publish the following order and comments:

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington, October 19, 1873.

General Order No. 102.

The President of the United States commands it to be made known that all soldiers who have deserted their colors, and who shall, on or before the first day of January, 1874, surrender themselves at any military station, shall receive a full pardon, only forfeiting the pay and allowances due them at the time of desertion; and shall be restored to duty without trial or punishment on condition that they faithfully serve through the term of their enlistment.

By order of the Secretary of War, E. D. TOWNSEND, Adj't Gen.

General Order No. 102, effects several thousand men now living on this coast.

Nearly two thousand five hundred enlisted men of the Army have deserted from their regiments, stationed in the Pacific States and Territories, since January, 1871.

Printed descriptive lists of these men, and all others who have deserted while serving on this coast, will soon be placed in the hands of marshals and deputy marshals of districts, sheriffs, magistrates, and police officers.

It will be thus seen that many of the deserters who do not deliver themselves up under the liberal terms now offered by the President will surely be arrested or live in peril of arrest and punishment.

Arizona men will regret that General Crook is to leave them. Lieutenant-Colonel Richard J. Dodge will take command of the Department of Arizona.—[San Francisco Chronicle.]

Col Dodge has been promoted from Major of the Third Infantry to Lieutenant-Colonel of the Twenty-third, vice Crook, promoted, and comes here to take command of his regiment, and not of the Department. We have no reason to believe that Gen Crook will be transferred. The Government has too much of an appreciation of "the right man in the right place."

FUNERALS OF DISTINGUISHED DEAD.—New York dispatches of November 7th say:

The funeral of Louis Gaylord Clarke took place today. The pall-bearers were Park Goodwin, Manton Marble, R. H. Stoddard, Erastus Brooks, H. J. Hastings and Mr. Brown.

The funeral of Brigadier General Richard D. Duffield also took place today. Vice-Admiral Brown and a number of distinguished civil and military friends of the deceased were present.

Hereafter commissaries of subsistence must not give rations to destitute persons unless they are really hungry.—[Albuquerque (N.M.) Review.]

We can imagine the smile of triumph which spread over the countenance of the Review editor when his mind fastened upon the above brilliant thought; and the fearless manner in which he seized a quill and dashed it upon a scrap of paper that it might go forth to the world.

The substitution of the word "clergymen" for "Obeyennes," makes an article in the Denver News read as follows:

A band of 300 clergymen are on the frontier, and after a successful raid they will retreat to their reservation, carrying their scalps and plunder with them—to enjoy under the protection of a Government post a feast and a waltz, for which the pioneer citizens of Colorado furnish both the scalps and food. Comment on such a state of affairs is useless. No words can do the subject justice.

UTAH MINING GAZETTE.—We are in regular receipt of this paper, and find that it contains a greater amount of mining news than any publication in the United States. The Gazette is edited and published by practical printers, as "by their works ye shall know them."

At the late election in Colorado, 22,000 votes were polled, and the Denver News claims for the Territory a population of 125,000.

In New Mexico, 15,263 votes were cast at the late election.

Judge Gibbard of Brooklyn has sent the city editor of the New York Tribune to jail for refusing to disclose the name of the author of an article in the Tribune severely reflecting upon the public acts and personal character of Judge McCue.

Infantry soldiers will hereafter be allowed to receive four pair of shoes, or one pair of boots and two pair of shoes per year. That part of an order in which the issue of boots to foot soldiers was prohibited has been revoked.

The San Diego Union of October 31 announces the arrival in that city of Hon. Coles Bashford, Secretary of this Territory, with his family. Mr. Bashford would be detained in San Diego a few weeks, after which he would proceed to Tucson. His family will remain in San Diego.

It is stated that General Belknap, Secretary of War, will be married during the present month, to a lady well known in fashionable circles in Washington City.

Laura Keene, the famous actress, died at Mount Clair, New Jersey, November 6th, of consumption.

Beth Green, the famous pisciculturist, widely known on the Pacific coast, was drowned in the St. Lawrence river on the 8th inst.

Two women have been elected to the Legislature of Wyoming.

Man advertises, then realizes.

Business & Professional Cards.

COLES BASHFORD, ATTORNEY and COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Tucson, Arizona.

Will practice his profession in all the Courts of the Territory.

H. H. CARTER, H. H. CARTER, JR.

H. H. CARTER & SON, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona.

Will attend to business in all the courts of the Territory.

J. P. HARGRAVE, ATTORNEY and COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Montezuma street, Prescott, Arizona.

JOHN HOWARD, ATTORNEY and COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Prescott, Arizona.

JOHN A. RUSH, Attorney at Law, Phoenix, Arizona.

Will strictly attend to all business entrusted to him, in the several Courts of Record in the Territory. Prompt attention given to Collections.

J. E. McCAFFRY, ATTORNEY and COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Main Street, Tucson, A. T.

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McConnell & King, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, Downey's Block, Main Street, Los Angeles, California.

Will practice in all the Courts of Arizona, and in the Supreme Court of the United States.

J. N. McCANDLESS, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Office, North Side of Plaza, Prescott.

HENRY W. FLEURY, PROBATE JUDGE, Justice of the Peace and Notary Public.

WM. A. HANCOCK, Notary Public and Conveyancer. Blank Declaratory Statements.

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E. IRVINE, Attorney at Law, NOTARY PUBLIC, Phoenix, Maricopa County, A. T.

Office, in the News Depot, on the West side of the Plaza.

A. E. DAVIS, ATTORNEY and COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Central, Mohave County, Arizona.

Will attend to legal business in all the courts of the Territory; make collections, etc.

S. C. ROGERS, Notary Public and Justice of the Peace, CAMP HUAPAI.

Will attend to all official business, at his residence, Channing Block, Yavapai County, Arizona. Jan'y 1.

J. GOLDWATER & BRO., WHOLESALE DEALERS, Forwarding and Commission Merchants, Ehrenberg, Arizona.

Fred. Williams, Has on hand, at his new Saloon, on north side of Plaza, FINELY-FLAVORED LIQUORS of all kinds, together with a large stock of CAREFULLY SELECTED CIGARS.

LARGE, NEW, COMPLETE WAGON AND BLACKSMITH SHOPS, Gurley Street, Fronting on Granite.

All kinds of Blacksmithing. Wagon-making and repairing done in good style by FRED. G. BRECHT.

Medical Notice. DR. PETER THOMAS, Is prepared to cure Rheumatic Pains, Consumption, and all other Diseases. OFFICE—Montezuma Street, Prescott. mh14

WORMSER & WERTHEIMER, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Groceries, Provisions, Clothing, Boots & Shoes, Liquors, Crochery, Hardware, Farming and Mining Implements, Etcetera. Southeast Corner of Plaza, Prescott, A. T.

FRANK PURCELLA, THEOPHILE LOBBLOK.

Purcella & Loibillon, Have now on hand, at their BEER STORE, (Rayona's old stand), Goodwin Street, all kinds of GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, CLOTHING, BOOTS & SHOES, MINING TOOLS, LIQUORS, &c.

Which they offer for sale cheap. mh14

Brooke & Linn, AGENTS FOR CLOUGH'S LINE, A No. 1 article, suitable for hard-fishing, whitewashing, &c., have it on hand and for sale, in stock. Orders for large quantities promptly attended to at low rates. mh14

HERBERT BOWERS, Post Trader, Fort Whipple, A. T. Has recently replenished his stock of Groceries, Provisions, Can Fruits, Clothing, Boots, Shoe Stationery, Fancy Goods, Tobacco, Cigars, &c.

LUMBER, LUMBER, ALL KINDS OF BUILDING LUMBER KEPT constantly on hand at the Quartz Mountain Saw-Mill, five miles south of Prescott. All orders sent through the post office will be promptly attended to. Terms cash on delivery at the mill. GEO. W. CURTIS, Prescott, A. T., September 6, 1872. mh14

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