

AT THE FRONTIER.

A Battle With the Indians Looked For To-day.

TROOPS CLOSING IN ON THE HOSTILES NEAR PINE RIDGE.

Trouble Expected When an Attempt is Made to Disarm the Hostiles—The Bannocks and Shoshones Not Anxious to Go to War With the Whites—No Fears of an Outbreak in Idaho.

Special to the Record-Union.

PINE RIDGE, Jan. 10.—A courier from the hostiles to General Miles at 10:30 to-night, announced that they had reached the mission, about five miles distant, and that they would reach here to-morrow. The greatest uncertainty prevails as to the outcome of the military operations.

The greatest preparations have been taken to guard against any surprise. Breastworks have been strengthened, artillery has been placed on the site commanding the friendly camp and the roads leading into the agency. Hotchkiss guns cover the other approaches and detachments of the Seventh Cavalry and first infantry are stationed at the most advantageous points.

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COAST CHRONICLES.

Strong Talk of Lynching the Murderer of Mrs. McDonald.

NATURAL GAS DISCOVERED NEAR VALLEJO.

A Railroad Employee Injured at Los Angeles—Freezing Temperature Causes a Suspension of Operations at the Mines in Nevada County—A Woman Dies from Asphyxiation.

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NEWMAN, Jan. 10.—The murder of Mrs. Perry McDowell, near Cottonwood, on Thursday, was one of the most horrible that has ever occurred in this part of the county. It has now assumed a double horror, as the murderer is thought to be Albert Hale, an old and well respected citizen of this county for twenty years past.

Hale was traced from the house of the murderer to his home, which is a distance of about two miles, and the worst feature of it all on Hale's part is that he told an untruth about the gun that is supposed to have discharged the fatal shot.

The jury impaneled in the case are as follows: Jerry O'Connor, H. Whitworth, John Allen, G. E. Miles, Henry Mills, Charles Bannock, A. Draper, Ed. Sturgeon, Al Knight, the jury will meet again Monday to further investigate.

ALL WERE DROWNED. Two Indians Engage in a Fight Which Results Fatally.

SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer from Vancouver, B. C., says: Captain George, Chief of a tribe of Indians resident on Seymour Creek, three miles above this city, together with another Indian and a squaw, came in from their ranch this morning.

During the melee the canoe was cut open and broken in several places, and three occupants being thrown into the water where the current was very swift, and all were drowned.

The Indians were supposed to have been drinking heavily, and were unable to make any effort to save themselves.

Schooner Disabled. PORTLAND, Jan. 10.—Captain H. S. Ackley, of the steamer State of California, reports that on the 8th inst., while off Crescent City, the steamer met a tug with a disabled vessel in tow.

The tug was several miles off shore, and the vessel was presumed for San Francisco.

Death of a Cattle Thief. SPOKANE FALLS, Jan. 10.—John Miles, one of the cattle thieves wounded by Deputy Sheriff Pugh on Spangue road yesterday, is dead.

Orchard Planting. SANTA MARIA, Jan. 10.—Several orchards, of from 50 to 200 acres in extent, are being planted here this season.

Contested Election Case Settled. TUCSON (Ariz.), Jan. 10.—In a contest of Roskrue vs. Henry, for the office of County Treasurer, Judge Sloan to-day gave judgment in favor of Henry, confirming his election.

Good Weather in Nevada County. VALLEJO, Jan. 10.—The extreme cold weather in the higher mountains has ended, and the snow has melted.

Death from Asphyxiation. SAN FRANCISCO, January 10th.—Ann Sayers, aged 19, last Monday placed a covering iron over a lighted gas jet, and while the iron was heating, lay down to read a novel.

Horrible Death. SAN FRANCISCO, January 10th.—Mrs. Catherine McKee, a paralytic, was left alone in a room last Monday night, and a lighted candle from the table on her dress, and being unable to move, she was frightfully burned. She died to-day.

NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The Nicaragua Canal Bill Reported to the Senate.

EFFECTS OF THE SHIPPING BILL ON THE AMERICAN TRADE.

Commander Reiter of the Ranger Asks That a Naval Court-martial Investigate His Actions in the Barrundia Affair—San Diego Quarantine Station—Crop Prospects for the Coming Season.

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ACROSS THE WATERS.

Belief That Parnell Will Shortly Retire to Private Life.

A RAILWAY ACCIDENT CAUSES A SERIOUS PANIC.

American Missionaries Charged With Being Responsible for the Recent Outbreak at the Caroline Islands—Spain Will Celebrate the Anniversary of the Discovery of America.

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NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—A Tribune London special says: The two factions of the Unionist party continue their negotiations. McCarthy and Sexton are now traveling to Boulogne, probably to receive O'Brien's final decision.

O'Brien joined his co-delegates in denouncing Parnell, but he could not escape his personal responsibility toward the starving people in Tipperary. O'Brien was deeply committed to Smith Barry's old tenants that the parties have arrived at an approximate agreement in this, as in most other questions.

When in America he felt bound to negotiate with Parnell, provided the latter would adopt two courses: first, to retire, if only for a season; second, to give O'Brien all the control Parnell possessed in the party.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The following letter has been directed to the Secretary of the Navy by Commander Reiter of the United States Navy, who was severely censured by the Secretary for his conduct in the Barrundia affair:

"I have to acknowledge the receipt of the department letter of the 31st of December, 1890, directing me to report to you on the 6th day of January, 1891, and received by me on the 7th. It was forwarded by the press of the United States Navy, and I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter on the 10th of January, 1891.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The ballot-box committee will report next week. It is understood that all members concur, although some append individual views on different matters.

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THE WORLD'S FAIR.

France Will Probably Accept the Invitation of the United States.

American Missionaries Responsible for the Recent Outbreak.

Land Decisions.

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