

COAST CHRONICLES.

Progress Made by the Expedition to Death Valley.

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KEELER (Cal.), Jan. 22.—Communications received from the Death Valley expedition, dated Lono Willow Springs, January 18th, give the personnel of the party as it entered the valley as follows: Professors Palmer, Fisher, Coville, Funston, Bailey, Nelson and Dikeman and four assistants, eleven in all, with seventeen animals, Professor Stevens of San Bernardino being unable to join the expedition until later in the season.

The entire party left Lono Willow Springs on the 15th, and will separate after entering the valley into two parties, and camp as follows: Professors Palmer, Coville, Fisher and Funston at Furnace Creek, near the north end and on the east side of the valley; Professors Bailey, Nelson and Dikeman at Bennett's Wells, situated about the center of the valley and very close to the line of the greatest depression from the sea level.

After remaining at Bennett's Wells long enough to investigate that locality, Professor Palmer and party will push south, skirting the southern end of the valley, thence up the east side to the Armoagos desert. About the same time Professors Fisher and party will push northward, both parties eventually meeting at the oasis.

Each party will be met at intervals by a supply wagon, which will secure necessary provisions at Daggett, each party carrying enough to last until the wagons can get around the line of the greatest depression of the field transportation.

The party will travel sixty miles from Lono Willow Springs before reaching water again. It is estimated that carrying two hundred gallons, enough for three days, which will enable them to reach the water in the valley.

The naturalists expect to accomplish their work in the valley in about six weeks, after which they will declare war on the mammals in the Great Central and Panamint Mountains. Great success is reported in their undertaking, many rare specimens having been secured in Panamint Valley.

THE PALMER TRIAL.

Testimony Taken in Behalf of the Defense.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—In the Palmer forgery case, yesterday afternoon, W. A. Getz, a Sacramento attorney who has been in the employ of Palmer, testified that against he had tried to "steer" witness Bologan against Senator Fair in reference to his testimony.

The defense also introduced in evidence letters written by expert Angus to Chief of Police Lee of Sacramento, which showed that from November 1, 1890, witness Clarke has been receiving \$10 a month from Senator Fair, out of which he supported his wife and child. Captain Lee was informed that Senator Fair would make no promise to Clarke for the future because of the fact that it might affect the prosecution of Palmer.

Other witnesses testified to unimportant matters, and the case went over until today.

George A. Bigelow, who was superceded as bookkeeper on the Fair ranch by Clarke, was the first witness called this morning. He testified that the handwriting of Palmer he balanced the books and counted the cash on hand when he vacated his position.

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