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Minneapolis Journal Correspondent Reports from Bear Island That 3rd Infantry Detachment is Annihilated.

CHIPPEWA INDIANS DID IT

United States Soldiers Sent Out Under Conditions That Would Disgrace a Militia Sergeant Were He Responsible for Them.

Minneapolis, Oct. 6.—Arthur I. Peglio, staff correspondent of the Journal, wired at 8:30 this morning from Walker, Minn., as follows: A force of 80 men, under General Bacon, has been annihilated. I do not know whether Inspector Tinker has more information than I have, but he sent word to the War department last night that the 3d Infantry detachment had been wiped out. I got in very late from the expedition on the Florida. We started out to carry supplies and rations to the troops. It was very dark off shore, where we had to wait an hour. Corporal Nettlekoven used the code in use at Santiago. Either the troops had been driven inland or there is not a man left. No answering of any sort was received, although we lay on and on the whole length of the island's head.

To land was an impossibility in the dark, as the re-enforcements from Brantford have not arrived, and there was only one Winchester rifle on the boat. Reddy Lazard, captain of the Florida, is a dead game man, and would have hunted, but there is such a small force on a boat would have been annihilated had this been done, although there were men aboard who preferred to die in an effort at rescue, however futile it might have been. We had out blankets and rations for the blue coats. If any survive, they slept last night in the open. A heavy frost prevailed. There was not such a coffee to divide between the whole company this morning. At a later date I am going to tell the whole truth about this expedition. I never knew such gross mismanagement or witnessed such criminal obstinacy as has been exhibited here. The men in Bacon's command were taken out under conditions that would disgrace a militia sergeant were he responsible for them. Every life lost is a useless sacrifice. Had a proper force been sent here in the first place, not a shot would have been fired.

I hope Bacon may have entrenched himself and that his failure to answer a signal last night was due to his determination not to betray his location. The men had 120 rounds of ammunition each, and I hardly think they had exhausted the supply. Newspaper correspondents Brill, Beaton and Knappen are still with the troops. I went with a force determined to see if possible, but it was impossible to locate them. I am sorry on my return from Bear Island I sent my chartered steamer with Gus Schultz, who has Chippewa blood in his veins, to see if possible, but it was impossible. Unarmed, ill clad, out of ammunition, without food or drink, the press representatives with Bacon are in desperate straits. I do not fully endorse the belief that the Chippewa command is dead, because General Bacon is an old Indian fighter, and however badly handicapped, I doubt very much whether he would permit twice the number of Chippewas to get away with him.

Corporal Nettlekoven, sharpshooter, dropped a couple of bucks on the point yesterday evening with a Krag-Jorgensen at 2,000 yards. Major Wilkinson Killed. The Journal boat brought out H. S. Talman, deputy marshal, and Colonel Sheehan, who is shot in the abdomen. While the boat was returning, the wounded man was fired on from the brush. This was the signal for an immediate reopening of hostilities. The troops opened on the Indians, and in a second there was as fierce a fight as progress as that of yesterday. Beaulieu narrowly escaped with his life. He had his shoulder bored clear through. We handed provisions and medicines. The firing became so hot that we were compelled to weigh anchor and steam out into the lake. The Indians appear to be in great force, and Bacon's command is too small to take the aggressive, by the detachment is entrenched in a good position, and can hold out as long as ammunition lasts.

The steamer Chief was met by my boat eight miles out, and has arrived here this. She carries a posse of armed men. Major Wilkinson was killed while walking up and down, admonishing his men to keep their heads low. No braver man or better officer ever lived. His command are crazed with rage. When re-enforcements arrive they will wreak vengeance on the pillagers in their own way. The biggest battle remains to be fought.

Major Melville C. Wilkinson, of the 3d Infantry, appears in the last Army Register as 66 in the list of infantry captains, with the brevet of major. He was appointed from New York as 2d Lieutenant in the 42d regular infantry in 1866, after an honorable record as an officer in the civil war. He was transferred to the 6th infantry in 1869, and to the 3d infantry in 1870 as first lieutenant, being made captain in 1886.

List of Killed and Wounded. A special to the Journal from Walker, Minn., says: Major Wilkinson, six privates and one Indian policeman are dead. Colonel Sheehan is slightly wounded. Thirty Indians are dead. The Journal's dispatch boat has just returned from the battle ground. There has been desperate fighting all the morning.

Hold the Fort. For We Are Coming. A special train left Fort Snelling at 7:40 this morning with companies B, F and H, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Olovnikov. It is expected to reach Walker before 2 o'clock. There are 200 picked men in the detachment. They have three days' rations and an abundance of ammunition, with a Gatling gun as part of the equipment. Further re-enforcements will be detailed and get ready to start at an instant's notice.

Washington dispatch says: Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones received today the following from Indian Agent J. H. Sutherland at Walker, Minn., last night: "The trouble at Leech Lake originated in an arrest made by a deputy United States marshal of Indians on a warrant. The Indians overpowered the marshal arresting the resisters. I have been here a week doing my best to get the Indians to give themselves up and save trouble, but they would not. Today the troops and Indians had several battles and the United States marshal has called for more troops.

Third Expedition Started. A special to the Journal from Walker, Minn., says: The third expedition to the Point has just started. There are 15 riflemen on board, picked men. The boat carries provisions and the detail is under the direction of Dr. Camp, of Brantford, an old Indian fighter. The troops have had a week's rest since they left camp. Every man in town slept all night with a Winchester across his arm. There is going to be an Indian exodus, says General Humphrey in counting the minutes until re-enforcements arrive. I have been to the agency on the way back here, and the Indians there swear they are friendly.

SENSATIONAL STABBING.

Puerto Rico Circles Startled by the Murder of a Prominent Spanish Officer—Homesick Soldiers.

San Juan de Puerto Rico, Oct. 6.—Captain Arlegui, of the civil guard at Bayamono, was stabbed Tuesday by persons unknown, and it is thought he will die. He was much disliked by the islanders. The officials at Bayamono promptly made several arrests, including a prominent physician named Dr. St. Hall, Arlegui and St. Hall have long been bitter personal enemies. The physician is known as an American sympathizer. He had to leave the island before the war, and was but recently returned. When arrested he was on a sick bed, from which he was removed to the jail. Popular opinion acquits him of any connection with the stabbing.

Boynton Denies It All. Washington, Oct. 6.—General H. V. Boynton gave his testimony before the War department inquiry commission today. Surgeon Milo B. Ward had said in a letter to the commission that Camp Thomas was without any captured. The water was unfit to drink, that there was no proper food and that 4,000 men in camp were suffering from intestinal disease. In reply to this General Boynton said: "Of course, in so large a camp some painful things must necessarily happen. For instance, when the measles broke out the hospitals were quite crowded. But to say that there was any purposely inflicted neglect is as false as it is possible to be."

MASSACHUSETTS REPUBLICANS.

Governor Wolcott and Lieutenant Governor Crane Renominated—President McKinley's War Policy Indorsed.

Boston, Oct. 6.—The state convention of the Republican party was held today. The platform commends the administration for the conduct of the war and comments upon the country's generally favorable industrial condition, reaffirms the St. Louis platform, indorses the plan for a stronger army and navy, and the reorganization of the national guard. Concerning Cuba and the Philippines it calls for a policy "Which shall insure them the fullest blessings of freedom and self government."

Governor Roger Wolcott was unanimously renominated, and W. Murray Crane of Dalton was unanimously renominated. Wm. M. Olin, for secretary of state; E. B. Shaw, state treasurer and receiver general; John W. Kimball, for auditor; and Hosea W. Knowlton for attorney general, were nominated by acclamation.

MARKET REPORT.

New York, Oct. 6.—Money on call steady 2 1/2 to 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 1/2 to 4 1/2. Silver, 60; lead, \$3.80; copper, 7 1/2.

Chicago.—Wheat, Oct., 63 1/2; Dec., 62 1/2. Corn, Oct., 21 1/2; Dec., 20 3/4. Oats, 21 1/2; Dec., 21 1/4.

Chicago.—Cattle, receipts, 7,500; steady; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.75; cows and heifers, \$2.00 to \$4.65; Texas steers, \$2.90 to \$4.80; westerns, \$3.50 to \$4.45; stockers and feeders, \$3.10 to \$4.45. Sheep, receipts, 11,000; strong; natives, \$2.90 to \$4.45; westerns, \$3.50 to \$4.50; lambs, \$3.75 to \$5.00.

Kansas City.—Cattle, receipts, 8,000; best steady, others slow; native steers, \$3.50 to \$5.55; Texas steers, \$2.75 to \$4.45; Texas cows, \$2.00 to \$3.10; native cows and heifers, \$1.50 to \$4.65; stockers and feeders, \$3.00 to \$4.50; bulls, \$2.00 to \$3.35. Sheep, 3,000; steady; lambs, \$4.25 to \$5.35; muttons, \$3.00 to \$4.25.

WANTS STEWART'S JOB.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—A. C. Cleveland, of Nevada, who is in the city, announced himself as candidate for United States senator to succeed W. M. Stewart.

The President's Trip.

Washington, Oct. 6.—The following is the itinerary of the president's trip to the trans-Mississippi exposition at Omaha: Leave Washington, Monday, Oct. 10th; arrive Chicago, Tuesday morning; leave Chicago, same morning with short stops in Iowa; arrive Omaha, 8:20 p. m.; spend Wednesday at Omaha, leave Omaha, Thursday; arrive St. Louis, Friday, spending the day there; leaving that evening, arrive Chicago, 5 p. m. Saturday; at Chicago, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday; leave Chicago, 11 p. m. 20th, arrive Washington, 22nd.

The Oregon's Chaplain Laid Up.

Denver, Oct. 6.—When the naval court martial was called to order this morning, Chaplain McIntyre was suffering severely from nervous prostration and could not appear. So the court took a recess until 11 o'clock, when the accused was able to be present. Dr. Wilson gave it as his opinion that when Chaplain McIntyre reached Denver, just before that now famous lecture, his condition was such, that a dose of 15 grains of quinine or an ounce of brandy would have had the tendency to incapacitate him for any connected or orderly thought.

Denver's Vanity Fair.

Denver, Oct. 6.—Fun, frolic and frivolity are the order of the day here. The masked carnival parade this afternoon included many novel and amusing features. It was followed by prominent masking and fun making on the streets.

TREMENDOUS FLOODS.

New York and Vermont Towns Visited by Disastrous Rainfalls—\$100,000 Damage Done.

Troy, N. Y., Oct. 6.—One of the worst floods that ever visited this region struck Hoosic Falls last night. Tens of thousands of dollars damage was done. Rain fell steadily for 12 hours in Washington and northern Rensselaer counties and in western Vermont. At Hoosic Falls an immense flood poured through Centre village, washing away buildings, undermining foundations, caving in streets and sidewalks, and doing \$50,000 to \$100,000 damage. The tracks of the Fritchburg railroad were washed away in many places.

Between Greenwich and Jonesville, on the Delaware and Hudson Canal railroad, 150 feet of road was washed out. Nearly 15 bridges have been swept away, the electric railroad tracks at Bennington, Vt., and many houses were washed away, and at Hoosic Falls entire brick blocks were swept away. As far as is known, no lives were lost.

United States Peace Commission.

Paris, Oct. 6.—The United States peace commission held an hour's session this morning, after which, accompanied by Major General Merritt, the commissioners were guests of the United States ambassador, General Horace Porter, who took them by coach to Versailles.

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POLITICAL NEWS.

Santa Fe County Politics.

On the Democratic side Hon. C. F. Essley, who was a member of the 30th legislative assembly from this county, is being talked of as a candidate for the council, as is also Mr. A. B. Renuhan, who ran for that office in 1896, and was defeated by Hon. Charles A. Spies, Cosme Herrera and Francisco Baca y Gonzales are being mentioned as candidates for the nomination for sheriff. On the Republican side, while there are many candidates, there are, so far, no favorites. For sheriff H. C. Kinsell is a candidate for renomination and reelection and John W. Conway is also a candidate for the nomination.

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Assets, December 31, 1897, 236,970,308.04

Reserve on all existing Policies (4 per cent standard) and all other liabilities, 186,333,133.30

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