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### NOTES AND NEWS.

Helmhold, the Bochu man, is again in an insane asylum.

Stears, the Helena murderer will be hung on the 28th of Oct.

Robert Dale Owen has recovered from his recent indisposition.

The Freedmans Bank has declared a dividend of twenty-five per cent.

American Girl dropped dead in a race at Elmira, New York, a few days ago.

Dr. James F. Weeds, the well known army physician died at Nashville last week.

The discovery of a one hundred and fifty carat diamond is reported from South Africa.

One woman of mental activity can, if she has any ambition, keep ten families miserable eleven months in the year.

The Superior Times prints both the Republican and Democratic tickets, under the head of "you pay your money and take your choice."

The supreme court denies Tweed release, reduced bail or a bill of particulars, so he must still languish. The bail as fixed is \$3,000,000.

The Vanderbilt University was inaugurated at Nashville, Tenn., last week. Old Van's wealth built it, he having donated \$400,000 for the purpose.

The Chicago Tribune wants to see the Interior Department made as lively as Saturday night in a barber shop and is calling "next" to Asst. Secretary Cowen and Indian Commissioner Smith.

Judge Trumbull has written a letter in which he expresses a desire for a sound currency, but declares that he does not regard financial questions the main issues now before the people but administrative reform instead.

Gold in paying quantities is reported to have been discovered in Macon County, Missouri. A gold report comes from Chippewa County, Minnesota also. Hon. Henry Hill after investigating the latter declares there is "millions in it."

Major Cullen, a St. Paul wreck, attempted to shoot Col. Culver, the proprietor of the Metropolitan Hotel, in the office of that establishment, last week. The Major was disarmed and arrested. Culver's escape was a narrow one.

There is talk of engaging William Allen for stump speeches in New York after the Ohio election is over. It is thought by that time William will be able to accommodate himself to a hard money platform.—*New Orleans Republican.*

Acting Secretary Cowen has made many wholesome reforms in the Interior Department since the resignation of Secretary Delano, and will develop more informalities in a week than the commission has developed in all summer. Cowen hopes to succeed Delano.

The Washington correspondent who was arrested for libelling Senator Chandler, has been discharged by Judge Treat, of the U. S. Court at St. Louis, for the reason that the law under which Buel was arrested must be retroactive in order to reach him, and in that case would be null and void.

There is another speak of war in Mississippi growing out of antagonism between Governor Ames and Senator Alcorn. The latter, backed by seventy armed and mounted men and forty infantry, was pushing Ames' men, a negro backed by two hundred others, at last accounts and blood shed seemed imminent.

In the Ward case, at Detroit, Mich., it was developed that the Capt. kept a clairvoyant who was regularly employed by him for advice in all his business matters. The medium was usually controlled by an influence styled "Cabbage John" and it was on the advice of this influence that Capt. Ward invested in Silver Inlet.

## TELEGRAMS

Reported Specially for the Bismarck Tribune.



This Bird Crows for Gold!

Ohio Inflationists beaten by 10,000.

Iowa Republican by 30,000!!

Nebraska Chips in for Hard Money.

Mead vs. Kountz—\$100,000 Libel Suit—Miscellaneous News.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 12.—It has been noticed that a reckless class of newspapers have been brought into use during the past few months to criticize the action of the several departments in awarding contracts to the Coulson Line of steamers on the Missouri river when the Kountz Line was alleged to have been the lowest bidder. These criticisms have run into side issues and various Indian agents and government employees have been abused without stint, and in a few instances the Northern Pacific management have been attacked, because of its alleged sympathy with the Coulson Line.

One article appeared in the Allegheny Mail purporting to come from Fort Benton accusing Gen. C. W. Mead of jobbery in connection with the Diamond R people, alleging that a large sum of money was diverted from its proper use or stolen by those who had it in charge. The Mail promptly took it back and disavowed responsibility. An article of like import appeared in the St. Louis Times. Yesterday Mr. Mead's attorney at St. Louis served papers on Commodore W. J. Kountz, the alleged author of the communication, claiming one hundred thousand dollars damages. The papers were issued a month ago but until yesterday service could not be had.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—The President has not yet announced Delano's successor. Under the law Assistant Secretary Cowen could act instead ten days, only, after Delano's resignation. This time expired last night and the Department is now without a head. Cowen has done so many creditable things during the few days that he has been Secretary *ad interim* that there is a very kindly feeling towards him being developed, and his appointment would not be surprising though it would fail to satisfy those who have clamored for Delano's removal. Cowen's last order was one directing the Indian agents at the Sioux agencies to count all Indians claiming annuities and to refuse rations, etc., except on count.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Oct. 12, 2 p. m.—A full vote is being polled throughout the State; both parties are confident of success.

COLUMBUS, Oct. 13.—The Republican ticket is certainly elected by ten thousand majority—a clean scoop of the inflationists and a victory for sound currency.

DES MOINES, IOWA, Oct. 13.—The Republican ticket, is elected by thirty thousand majority. The legislature is overwhelmingly Republican.

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA, Oct. 13.—The inflationists are defeated by three thousand majority the Republicans electing a clean ticket.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 13.—The Minnesota supreme court has reversed its decision

of last winter which declared the charter of the Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad invalid. This decision is exceedingly important and will do much toward restoring the value of the stock and bonds depreciated by the former decision.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13.—The President will appoint a Secty. of the Interior on his return from Colorado. He is expected to-morrow.

Devils Lake.

Lake Minnewakan, or Devils Lake, in Northern Dakota is one of the most interesting spots in the territory and will, when the conveniences of travel permit become an attractive resort. From Mr. Gus. High, who has spent the summer there, surveying, we learn that the lake has been shrinking for a long series of years, evidences of which are abundant and very distinct. It has been a very large body of water interspersed with numerous islands. These islands now are covered with dense timber, while the old water channels surrounding them now furnish wide gravel roadways giving the appearance of a vast park. The water of the lake is salty; and except when very high, it has no visible outlet. Excellent varieties of fish abound there and game of many kinds find shelter in the forests. Fort Totten, which has been built on the margin of the lake is one of the best constructed forts in the country. Brick has been used in the construction of the buildings which are large, substantial and finely adapted to military purposes.—*Press and Dakotian.*

Mrs. Milliss has a very fidgety boy named Sam. He dont mean wrong, but he can't help it. Nature turned him out with too much quicksilver in his blood. Mrs. Milliss took Sam to church recently, and was ushered into a pew in front of a nervous old lady, who had evidently come there to worship her Creator. As Sam's head didn't reach above the back of the seat, he felt the security of his situation, and began to wobble about as usual. 'Th' old lady endured it for some time with Spartan fortitude, but when Sam, having piled up three hymn books, a new Testament, two catechisms and an old edition of Fox's Martyrs, accidentally spilled them off the seat she leaned over to Mrs. Milliss and said: 'What I wish to remark ma'am, is, that if that boy of yours is quite well, he ought to know better, and if he's got worms, chvch sin's no place for him.' It made Mrs. Milliss's patrician blood boil, but it sobered Sam.

The Pnie City operator has recovered judgement against the Pioneer Press in the sum of \$500 for libel.

Chief Engineer Wood, of the navy department, has invented a motor propelled by carbonic acid gas which is obtained by means of electricity.

Father Ireland has received from the Pope, the appointment of Coadjutor Bishop of St. Paul, and will be invested at an early day with the insignia of his holy office.

The Red Cloud commission are said to be united on recommending that Indian supplies be purchased, inspected and issued by the commissary and quartermaster departments of the army.

The remains of Edgar A. Poe were uncovered the other day for laying the foundations of a monument over them, and his brain was found in a state of almost perfect preservation.

Pinney, the absconding naval purchasing clerk, at San Francisco, seems to have saved \$750,000 from his salary of 1800 per annum, during the past five years. He required a "divy" on all contracts awarded. While the steal seems to have come directly out of the profits of the contractor, the Government is none the less a loser.

A Warning to England.

The following story is related of Justice Scott, the bright judicial mind who presides over the destinies of the Justice's Court at Battle Mountain. A short time since an English passenger on one of the trains was fleeced by some three card monte sharps, and went before Scott for the purpose of making a complaint. Before the complaint could be drawn up, however, the monte-men returned the property to the passenger, who, wishing to continue his journey, refused to make a complaint. Scott insisted that he must make the complaint, and when he declined, addressed him as follows: "I'll have you know, sir, that no subject of Great Britain or any of the crowned heads of Europe shall brow beat this court with impunity. I fine you \$50, sir, for contempt of court!" The Britisher paid the money and went his way, musing on the uncertainties of American Justice.

## THE PROJECTED MASSACRE.

Graphic Description of the Preparations of the Bad Indians to Massacre the Whites at the Sioux Council.

[Red Cloud Agency, Sept 23, Correspondence of the Chicago Tribune.]

The safety of the entire Sioux Commission rested to-day, for a few moments on the coolness and good judgment of one Indian chief, and the promptness of his aids in carrying out his orders. What might have been a repetition of the MODOC MASSACRE was happily averted, and possibly turned to profit. This was the third day of the council in session, and was attended by all the tribes. At the first council all the principal chiefs but Red Cloud were present, and they took seats near those of the Commission. They were all very friendly, and seemed in an excellent mood for the work. At the second council a postponement was made, on account of the absence of the Brules—Spotted Tail being their great chief. They were in council on the subject of the treaty, and therefore could not come. But they promised to be on hand at the next, and they were, in full force and feather. Spotted Tail to-day looked more like one of the ROMANTIC RED CHIEFS

that we only read of in Fenimore Cooper's works, than any man among the thousands present, and was in his usual mood. The first tribes to reach the ground were the Ogalallas, headed by Red Cloud and Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horses. They came in bands of tens, twenties and fifties, nearly all armed, and all well mounted. They took up a position on the right of the council tents, the younger and more turbulent portion swinging lower down on the right toward the brush on the banks of the White Earth. The Cheyennes and Arapahoes came in the same manner, and these three tribes joined the circle that was started some 70 feet away from the awnings that had been erected in front of the tents. About two hundred chiefs, head-men and head-soldiers formed that portion of the circle on the right. Uncpapas, Minneconjou, Two-Kettles, Black-Fest, Sans-Arcs, and others, formed the other half of the circle; but between the ends, in the center, there was a vacant space of more than 100 feet. Just outside of the circle, and directly in front of the Commissioners, was gathered a crowd of about 300 painted warriors, the most of whom were young men, and very violent. The Uncpapas, on coming into line in the circle, asked permission to remain mounted, and gave as their reason that some of the young men

PROPOSED TO DO GREAT MISCHIEF; hence they wanted to be ready for anything that might turn up—and also to leave the field. The Commissioners requested them to dismount; some did, but the majority remained mounted, with their guns in hand.

At no time could any of the Indians be got to fill up the strange vacancy in the council-ring just in front of the commission, neither could any of the leading chiefs be induced to take the seats specially provided for them immediately in front of the Commission. The seats were covered with an awning, that drooped to the front—that is, toward the outer Indians. This awning was removed by request of the Indians, so that they could see the commission better—to use their own excuse for it. At about 2 o'clock Bull Eagle, a Minneconjou, took the remarks of American Horse, who had called attention to the fact that the whites were not accustomed to being surrounded by men with arms in their hands, and that it would look better if they were left outside of the circle. Bull Eagle called out loudly that the whites had been the first to bring soldiers on the field, and that they must abide by the result. American Horse, who is an Ogalalla, retorted that Bull Eagle was a fool, and

MUST SHUT UP OR HE WOULD MAKE HIM.

The irate Minneconjou then withdrew, and was now seen conversing with Little Big Man, one of the wild Waxinas of the North—the owner of one of the most fiendish faces in the gathering, and whose record is one of blood and brutality. Not long after, these nobles of the plain were found sneaking among the young men, being generally and unnecessarily very active. It should be remembered that many of the young men of all the bands, save some of the river bands, are bitterly opposed to making any disposal whatever of the Black Hills, and, in the slang of the street, may be set down as very much "on their ear" about the steps proposed by their Chiefs and head men. Having threatened mischief, they were ready to fall in at the first opportunity which they did to the number of over 200. Save the right flank of the cavalry force in attendance—Capt. Egan's

and Capt. Mill's companies of the Second, under the command of the latter—was covered by Indians, and the number increased every moment, so that in a few moments, more than half the force was

HEAVILY COVERED BY WINCHESTER, SHARP'S AND REMINGTON RIFLES,

at not more than ten to fifteen paces. Mill's company was on the right, and completely double-covered. They were becoming all together too thick for Egan, when he complained, and an interpreter was sent out to order them back. They only doubled up on Mills. Things were becoming "scary" at this time. The cavalry boys "stood to horse" with carbines in hand, while the Commission held its seats as though nothing was occurring, yet showing a proper degree of uneasy interest in the matter.

Meanwhile the young chief, Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horses, had observed the movements of the discontented reprobates, and, calling his Lieutenant, he gave the order that his band should at once move on the Indians in the rear, and, as he is very popular with the people, his men were at hand, and, in a minute, were dashing their horses in among the hostiles and

CROWDED THEM OUT

into the field to the extreme right, and then formed on the flank, and held the ground until the council closed. Meanwhile the Young-Man was smoking his pipe as contentedly as though in his own tepee, after the Council closed, acted as rear-guard, with his men, to the Commission to the Agency. Previous to the move of Young-Man, nearly all the half-breeds near the tent, and some of the interpreters, had received warning from friends and relatives to clear away from the tent, as there was great danger. They did so and left the whites unwarned. After the matter was over, those of Young-Man's men who turned out to "save the right" were most bitterly abused by those who had laid the plan for

A GENERAL MASSACRE.

All the cavalry-men were to be shot down at the first fire, the horses stampeded, and then the commission were to get particular Jerusalem from that vacant space in front, which was held by Little Big Man and his crowd. To the promptness of Young-Man and his men can be attributed the prevention of the massacre that would have been as complete as it would have been treacherous. In addition to the warning, proof is found in the fact that an unusually large number of shells for Breach loaders were sold yesterday by the traders; that the bands who had camped near the road leading to the Council ground, moved 2 miles away in the morning; and, also that a further band of 300 warriors, armed cap-a-pie, were discovered in a canon near by, who were supposed to be there to make an attack on the Agency, and to prevent the troops from Camp Robison from going out to the Council camp, 8 miles below, after the fight should have commenced. A thousand facts known here all point to a corroboration of a plan for a massacre of the whole outfit by the young men under the lead of the wild devils of the North. The threat was made by them that they would kill the first man who spoke for the treaty; and no man was brave enough, save White Bull, of the Sans Arcs, and he only incidentally, to say a word in favor of the sale of the country. The only commissioners proper to treat with such a gang are Gatling guns, with a Crook to manage them.

At a late hour last night the Uncpapas moved their camp away from the neighborhood of Spotted Tail's, and chose one easily defended. These Indians have favored business action all the time, hence have been made

THE MARK OF JEALOUSY AND HATRED by the young discontents. Their Agent, Major Burke, of the Standing Rock Agency, leaves to-day for home, and the tribe starts in the morning.

In a condition of things that calls for the aid of Indian soldiery to avert a calamity, it is hardly probable that treaty-making will be very much of a success. The Commission will hold another council to-morrow when Young-Man, American Horse and Sitting Bull, who is now in charge of camp, will see that the hostiles are effectually squelched.

Robinson, of Winnebago County, Ill., turned out to hear ex-Senator James K. Doolittle say that a married man ought to have two votes, because he always represents at least two in the interests of good government, and has had more experience than a single man in governing human society. Then Robinson went home, and as he kicked over the last batch of bread he was heard to remark that now a man could sell his vote to both candidates without going back on his party.—*New York Herald.*