

THE CRISIS AT HAND.

A Night of Suspense at Pine Ridge.

The Hostiles Within Five Miles of the Agency.

Great Uncertainty as to the Outcome of Today.

Bloodshed Expected if Disarmament of the Indians is Attempted—Friendlies Regarded with Distrust.

Associated Press Dispatches.

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

PREPARED FOR THE WORST.

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

This afternoon pickets were sent out quite a distance from the agency, and the Indian police and scouts about the agency have been reinforced by a number of whites. It was deemed better to do this than relieve the Indians altogether, as at first contemplated.

General Miles and staff inspected all the approaches and defenses this afternoon. General Miles expressed himself satisfied. Nothing now remains save to wait for what the arrival of the hostiles tomorrow may bring forth.

It is learned late tonight that General Miles does not contemplate disarming the Indians at present, and it is intimated that the disagreeable task will be left to the leaders of the various bands.

Couriers in today from General Brooke and his command on White Clay creek, brought word that all were well and enduring the cold weather with patience.

WOUNDED KNEE VICTIMS.

This afternoon another squaw who was wounded at Wounded Knee, died, and wife, she was being buried two more were brought to the agency in a terrible condition. They said they were wounded in the fight, dragged themselves off to a ravine and sheltered themselves as best they could. During the blizzard since that time they have been crawling to the agency. They said four other women and three men, all wounded, who started out with them, died on the road.

The officers conducting the investigation into the Wounded Knee fight will complete their work tomorrow and submit their report to General Miles, who will forward it to the president.

To the correspondent of the Associated Press, one of the officers of the Seventh cavalry said: "The story that we shot down women and children is a lie. The fact is, nothing was left undone to save them. I heard many men cry: 'Don't shoot! That's a woman.' The people who killed women and children were Indians themselves."

Fewer Indians came in today than any day this week. General Miles has decided to separate the Ogallalas from the Bruiles when they come in, as the former are said to be strongly inclined to peace, while the latter are radical hostiles.

EARLIER REPORTS.

Every Expedition Taken by General Miles to Avoid Disaster.

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, Jan. 10.—The reports of yesterday that the hostiles had at length made up their minds to return to the agency, notwithstanding it is but a repetition of what had been before announced, attracts general attention. It is now, however, generally believed that, according to the alleged programme, the hostiles are to camp tonight at the mission, near the scene of the engagement between General Forsyth and the Indians on the 29th ult. They will be met by a detachment from the agency and escorted to this place.

THE DANGER OF DISARMAMENT.

It has not yet been determined where or when the Indians will be disarmed. In fact, it is generally believed that when disarming is attempted, trouble may be expected. It is thought the hostiles will not be able to determine whether they should be deprived of their arms and ammunition while the alleged friendlies may traverse the agency as they do now, almost armed to the teeth. The selection of a spot in which to disarm them is also a serious question. The work cannot be done in the middle of the agency; neither can it be done where the ground is broken. The latter place would be the Indians' traditional fighting ground, and in case of treachery great damage might be done.

THE GORDON DRAWING CLOSER.

Meanwhile the cordon of troops in the several commands of Brooke, Carr, Wheaton, Lileley, Sanford and Perry is drawing closer around the hostiles. General Miles today having issued orders for an advance on all sides from three to six miles. This move is being made with care. The principal idea is to keep the Indians moving toward the reservation, and at the same time to allow them to halt on no spot on which they might have an advantage over the troops.

NONE BUT WHITES ON GUARD.

General Miles has ordered the displacement of the Indian police who have been on guard duty around the agency. He will supply their places with soldiers. This move is variously interpreted, but it seems patent, however, that the general wants only white men on duty.

whose houses were destroyed Friday at Long Wounded Knee. At this distance it is considered the work of hostiles, and not viewed as a favorable evidence of the Indians' good will. Young-Man-Afraid-of-his-Horses, however, does not think his home has been destroyed.

OFFICIAL DISPATCHES.

General Miles' Plea for Justice to the Cheyennes.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Secretary Proctor today received a telegram from General Miles, dated Pine Ridge, January 9th, as follows: "The commission appointed to consider the condition of the Cheyenne Indians at this place and in Montana, unanimously recommend the removal of these Indians to Fort Keogh reservation. There are already 250 at Fort Keogh, and the men are enlisted as scouts. These scouts came southeast under Lieutenant Casey, and were joined by nearly all the able-bodied men from the agency. Together they have done most valuable and hazardous service in fighting and harassing the hostile Sioux, and if there is no objection, I will, when this affair closes, at once transfer them to Fort Keogh, as an act of justice and good policy, and in accordance with the recommendation of the Cheyenne commission."

PROSPECTS ARE FAVORABLE.

General Schofield received the following telegram from General Miles, dated Pine Ridge, yesterday:
"Quite a number of Indians came in today in small parties, and gave assurances that a large body would move in this direction tomorrow for the purpose of surrendering, and the troops have been directed to follow. The prospects at present look favorable as far as I can judge from indications."

MORE FAVORABLE REPORTS.

The Indian bureau has a dispatch from Agent Waugh, at Devil's Lake, stating that there is no danger of trouble at Turtle Mountain agency.

A communication was also received from Agent Palmer, at Cheyenne River agency, highly commending the Indian police for services rendered among the disaffected Indians.

The Indian bureau received a telegram from Agent McLaughlin, at Standing Rock, denying the rumors of trouble at that agency. He says the Indians there are to be depended upon for their loyalty to the government.

AN INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

Flower, of New York, today introduced in the house a long preamble and resolution with reference to the Indian troubles in the west, reciting General Miles' statements that the Indians were started into revolt; the charges of mismanagement of the Indian bureau, etc., and providing for a committee of five to investigate.

OUTBREAK IN MANITOBA.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 10.—Frederick White, comptroller of the northwest mounted police, states that the reports of an Indian outbreak near Delraine, Manitoba, are unfounded.

A BATTLE TODAY.

Buffalo Bill Says the Ball is About to Open.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 10.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from its staff correspondent at Rushville, Neb., says Buffalo Bill is reported to have made the statement today that the ball will open tomorrow.

The Post-Dispatch also has the following special, dated today, from Rushville, Neb.: "The crisis has been reached and a general battle is looked for tomorrow. Circumstances are forcing the conclusion of the hostilities, and parleying will not be longer continued by either side. The Indians said yesterday General Miles must prepare to fight or get off the reservation. General Miles, it is said, has given the Indians until tonight to surrender, and if they do not come in by that time he will close in on them. This is made necessary by the condition of his men. Those on the north side have been pretty well worn out with camp life, in this bleak climate, and long cold marches from one position to another. They cannot stand it much longer. Unless matters are soon brought to an end, the Indians will have no one to oppose them but worn out and frozen-out soldiers who are unfit for duty. The condition of the soldiers has been exceptional, and they have borne their hardship without a murmur."

All last night signal lights were flashing between Pine Ridge and Rosebud. The hostiles' preparations are being made for a fight, and every one here anticipates the bloodiest battle ever fought in this country. The wives and families of the officers who are at Pine Ridge agency were sent east last night.

THE IDAHO SCARE.

Not a Grain of Foundation for the Sensational Reports.
POCATELLO, Idaho, Jan. 10.—A big powwow was held today at Ross Fort agency, at Fort Hall reservation, between the leading chiefs of the Shoshones and Bannocks, on one side, and General Curtis, of the state militia, and Lieutenant Fred Wheeler, Fourth United States cavalry, on the other. The Indians were asked if they had any cause of complaint, or proposed to make trouble with the whites. The Indians replied that they had no intention of causing trouble, but were anxious to work for themselves, and keep peace with the whites. The conference closed with hand-shaking around, and the Indians seemed much pleased with the result.

The following telegram was received from General Gibbon, commanding the department of California: Following just received from the commanding officer at Boise barracks, Idaho: "I have just received reliable information that there is no outbreak of the Fort Hall Indians, and do not apprehend any trouble there. It was told by a party who came from Pocatello, yesterday, that the rumor was started by saloon-keepers."

Another telegram from General Gibbon, also dated yesterday, says: Following just received from the commanding officer at Boise barracks: "Adjutant-General Curtis wires the governor as follows: 'The fears of an Indian outbreak are greatly exaggerated, and without just foundation. Reports were sent to me, I go to'

to confer today, and to the agency tomorrow."

Senator-elect DuBois has received the following from Adjutant-General Curtis: POCATELLO, AGONY, Jan. 9.—There is not the slightest necessity for the presence of United States troops here. I have thoroughly investigated the situation, by order of the governor, and there is no cause for fears of an Indian outbreak on this reservation. Reports to the contrary are utterly false. I recommend that the secretary of war revoke the order for troops at Boise barracks, to start for Pocatello."

ANOTHER CALL FOR ARMS.

A Big Indian Scare in Okanogan County, Washington.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 10.—The Oregonian's special from Olympia, Wash., says: Acting Governor Laughton this afternoon received a dispatch from the county commissioners of Okanogan county, dated at Concully, stating that on Thursday night one of the Indians implicated in the murder of Freighter Coles a few weeks ago, was taken from jail and lynched. The telegram also stated that a Catholic priest had warned the settlers that indignation ran high among the Okanogan Indians, who had held four councils, and it was likely they would go on the warpath. The officers in conclusion asked for 500 stands of arms and ammunition to arm the settlers.

The governor, after consultation with Adjutant-General O'Brien, decided to send 200 stands of arms tomorrow. The governor then notified Brigadier-General Curry, of Spokane Falls, that arms would be sent, and instructing him to see that they were delivered to the county commissioners.

Governor Laughton also telegraphed General Gibbon, commander of the division of the Pacific, tonight, asking him to send a company of cavalry to the Okanogan county. It is expected that soldiers will be ordered from Fort Spokane.

GOOD PUTES.

Johnson Sides Says They Are Too Intelligent to Fight the Whites.

VIRGINIA, Nev., Jan. 10.—Johnson Sides, the Piute premier and most intelligent and trusted man among the Nevada Indians, and Captain Sam, whose jurisdiction extends over the Piute tribe, in western Nevada, deny the truth of the report that there is any danger of an uprising of the Indians in this state. Johnson Sides says the Indians here are too intelligent to begin hostilities. They are aware that they would get the worst of it. He says that should any of the young Piute bucks become restless, they will be sent to Paradise Lake reservation. In the opinion of Johnson Sides, Jack Wilson, the alleged Indian Messiah, located at Walker lake, is half crazy. He pronounces the rumor false that there is dissatisfaction among the Piutes in the vicinity of Fort Dermott.

ANOTHER OUTBREAK.

The Turtle Mountain Bucks Threatening Settlers.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 10.—The Tribune's special from Grand Forks, N. D., says: At 4 o'clock this morning Lieutenant Gray, Troop B, stationed at Battineau, wired Adjutant-General Devoy for arms and ammunition to arm the citizens of Turtle Mountain district, as the Indians were threatening the settlers. Two hundred bucks, from Oak Lake reservation, are within ten miles of Battineau, and report firing north of there. Oak Lake Indians advise the Turtle Mountain Indians to retrieve their lost hunting grounds.

BAY CITY BRIEFS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—John Barnett, who shot and killed Mignon Cassette last night, and then attempted suicide, was still alive this morning, but his physicians say he cannot recover. Barnett was until Tuesday last a guard at the house of correction. His victim was his mistress. Barnett claims that the woman often asked him to kill her, and while both were drunk he shot her through the heart with a pistol, and then shot himself.

Chaw Sue, a Chinese highbinder who attempted to murder Yee Tong, October 18th, was sent to San Quentin today for seven years.

Ann Sayers, aged 19, last Monday placed a curling iron over a lighted gas jet, and while the iron was heating, lay down to read a novel. She fell asleep; the wind blew the gas out, and she was found almost dead from asphyxiation. She died last night.

Mrs. Catherine McKenn, a paralytic, was left alone in a room last Monday night. A lighted candle lay on a table on her dress, and being unable to move, she was frightfully burned. She died today.

THE ABBOTT COMPANY.

A Sensational Report About the Members Seeking for Food.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—The Emma Abbott opera company, which accompanied the remains of its late prima donna to Chicago, has disbanded. Many of its members, it is said, are in sore financial straits, and are only enabled to reach their homes in the east through the generosity of Manager Pratt. It is even rumored that there was suffering for want of food among the members of the chorus. Mr. Broderick intends to reorganize the company in New York to fill southern dates.

Seth Abbott, the father of the dead prima donna, denies the story that the opera company has disbanded, and says there is not a particle of truth in the statement that the members of the company suffered from hunger.

THE NEBRASKA MUDDLE.

The Gubernatorial Fight Remains in Stale Quo.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 10.—The gubernatorial situation remains unchanged. Governor Boyd is recognized by all the state officials, while Governor Thayer still insists that he is at the head of the state government. It is evident that Governor Boyd's warrants will be honored by the auditor and treasurer, while Governor Thayer will not be able to have supplies for his military men, pending the settlement of the controversy by the supreme court.

In the senate this morning little business was transacted, and an adjournment was taken until Monday afternoon. Several important bills were introduced, but the prospect was very gloomy.

IN FINE FEATHER.

Parnell Feels Like a Fighting Cock.

William O'Brien Decides to Stand by Him.

A Great Speech to Be Delivered at Limerick Today.

Gladstone Says the People of Ireland Have Put Their Trust in England. Other Foreign News.

Associated Press Dispatches.

BOULOGNE-SUR-MER, Jan. 10.—Last night McCarthy, Sexton and Condon had a conference with O'Brien. It lasted until 4 o'clock this morning, and was very animated. The conference was resumed today.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—McCarthy, Sexton and Condon returned tonight from Boulogne, but refused to speak on the subject of the conference.

PARNELL GOES TO LIMERICK.

DUBLIN, Jan. 10.—Parnell, accompanied by several trusted lieutenants, has arrived here on his way to Limerick, where, tomorrow, he is expected to make one of the most memorable addresses in the history of Irish politics. Over a dozen special trains are conveying crowds of people to Limerick. Strong detachments of police are being sent there in anticipation of a disturbance.

O'BRIEN ADHERES TO PARNELL.

The Telegraph says: Hooper, who attended the conference at Boulogne, telegraphs to the effect that it is freely stated that O'Brien will absolutely adhere to Parnell, and the McCarthyites will have to fight O'Brien. Parnell went to Limerick today, and at most of the stopping places, was greeted by friendly deputations. At one point the partisans had a fight, but it was not very serious.

CHIEFS FOR O'BRIEN.

In a speech at Limerick junction, Parnell said he had heard cheers for O'Brien. He would also call for cheers for O'Brien, and long, might he live to soothe the animosities, and, if possible, restore union to their ranks.

At Limerick Parnell received a most enthusiastic demonstration. In a speech, he said while he could not say what long he and O'Brien traveled together at Boulogne, he might tell them without breach of confidence, that he himself was perfectly satisfied with the result of the conference.

DESTITUTION IN IRELAND.

CORK, Jan. 10.—The state of destitution into which the people of some portions of Ireland are plunged, can be judged by the fact that today representatives of over one hundred families living in the Cloyne district, waited upon the board of guardians, and earnestly begged for assistance. They stated that for some time past they had been living almost entirely upon turnips.

BALFOUR'S RELIEF FUND.

DUBLIN, Jan. 10.—Balfour's land relief fund now amounts to £17,000.

The Freeman's Journal announces that the executive committee of the National league of Great Britain recommends the dismissal of all league officials supposed to be in sympathy with Parnell.

ENGLAND MUST SAVE IRELAND.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—Gladstone has written a letter to Furness, the liberal candidate for Hartlepool, to succeed the late Thomas Richardson. Gladstone says: "The Irish parliamentary party vindicated itself by putting an end to Parnell, and has left us prepared to pursue as heretofore our duty in denouncing the unequal laws and odious system of coercion adopted by the government as permanent law. Liberal gains of seats in the commons, constantly repeated during the past four years, meant much more than success. They meant that the party had secured that a union had for the first time been effected between the British and Irish, and showed the people's aim to close the controversy our opponents seek to indefinitely prolong at the cost of national reputation, of imperial treasure and amid inextinguishable discords. The people of Ireland have put their trust in the people of Great Britain to deliver them from bad laws made worse by harsh, insulting administration. It rests on each constituency to show our sister nation that her confidence is not reposed in vain."

Raising the Age of Consent.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 10.—The government has introduced in the legislative council the bill so long talked of, raising the minimum age of girls' consent from ten to twelve years. Sir Chunder Mitter, a Bengalee member, strongly opposed the change, contending that the Hindu scripture authorized marriage to be consummated before 12 years of age. He claimed that the bill violated the government's pledge to abstain from interference in the social or religious customs of the people, and that it would arouse popular opposition.

Another Monte Carlo Suicide.

MONTÉ CARLO, Jan. 10.—Another suicide has startled Monte Carlo. A Russian gentleman, name withheld until last night, a letter upon the body contained information to the effect that the writer had lost 800,000 roubles at the gambling tables, and being utterly ruined nothing was left for him but to take his own life. It is thought his suicide, following upon so many others within the past few months, may bring about the long talked of suppression of gambling.

A Columbian Celebration.

MADRID, Jan. 10.—A royal decree, issued today, provides for the appointment of a committee to organize a celebration of the quadricentenary of the discovery of America. It is provided by the decree that Portugal and the United States shall be invited to be present in the celebration. A feature of the celebration will be a grand parade.

Huelva to commemorate the departure of Columbus. In this city there will be exhibitions of arts and industries of the period of Columbus.

THE EFFECT OF EDUCATION.

Few of the Educated Indians Are Among the Hostiles.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The Indian bureau today received the following letter from Elaine Goodale, supervisor of education at Pine Ridge: Your telegram asking how many returned students and parents of school children are among the hostiles, is received. It is impossible to ascertain at present just who the hostiles are. Some have fled the agency from fear, and do not necessarily assume a warlike attitude. In a general way, however, it is safe to say that those who participated in the ghost dances, and subsequent disturbances are of the wild or heathen element among the Sioux. The great majority of the christian and educated Indians remained loyal and steadfast at a sacrifice of name and property and risk of their lives. I think those who identified themselves with us during this upheaval, and have thereby lost all that they possessed, should be generously reimbursed for their losses. Fifteen or twenty christian men and women of Indian blood are now serving as volunteer nurses in our church hospital, where we have thirty wounded prisoners from the battle of the Wounded Knee.

A Bloody Battle in Africa.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—Advices from St. Louis, the chief town of Senegal, bring the news that French troops under command of Archinard carried by assault the fortress of Niara, belonging to the sultan of Amendoz. During the battle 600 natives were killed or wounded, and 8000 natives were engaged. On the French side fifty-one native soldiers were killed and several dangerously wounded.

A Railway Panic.

EDINBURGH, Jan. 10.—There was a dangerous railway panic at Musselburgh, about six miles from the city. A passenger train took the wrong switch, and was derailed. While the train was still in motion, a number of women and children sprang shrieking out of the railway carriages, causing others to follow. A great number of people were seriously injured.

Buried with Pomp.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The funeral of the Duke of Leuchtenberg took place today, with much pomp at the Russian church. The cortege was headed by troops, and following the car was President Carnot's military household in full uniform, members of the duke's family, many noted Russians, the French ministry and a long list of senators and deputies.

Padlewski Captured.

MADRID, Jan. 10.—News is received here that Padlewski, the Polish nihilist and alleged murderer of the German chief of secret police, General Selver-skoff, has been captured while in hiding at Olot, on the Fluvia.

Amelie Rives Ill.

PARIS, Jan. 10.—Amelie Rives, the American authoress, is seriously ill.



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