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INSPECTOR'S VIEWS

On the Situation at the Crow Agency—General Armstrong Takes a Correct Position.

Louis King Appointed Chief of Police of Miles City by the Board of Aldermen.

THE INDIAN WAR.

A Heavy Similarity and Unchangeableness in the Situation.
Besides the troops already spoken of as being at Fort Custer there are en route one troop of cavalry from Fort Maginnis and two troops from Fort Me Kinney. Two more mountain howitzers have been received and it is said no such preparations for war have been made since the campaign of 1876. Col. Dudley will be in command of the forces and Brigadier General Ruger directs operations.

There was a report last night, ostensibly from Fort Custer of the progress of the Indian difficulty and that no determined move would be made until Monday, when a council of war would be held and future proceedings determined. The troops were all in fighting trim, defenses for the agency perfected and everything in readiness for a coup.

Talking with a gentleman well informed on such matters we learned that the apparent dearth of news concerning the movement of troops and hostiles was occasioned by orders issued from General Ruger, that all communication with headquarters be carried on by letter, the telegraph affording less secrecy. It is more difficult to get actual intelligence than it is in a case of railroad accident and the Chicago public are better supplied with news of the affair on our border than we though a thousand miles further away.

Inspector Armstrong, now at the agency, gives the following account of the situation: "The Crow Indians are much excited and the disturbance is widespread. One hundred and one families were absent last ration day. Of these, however, many are only alarmed and in suspense, awaiting the result of the trouble. If an order were issued calling all the peaceably disposed to come in and give themselves up I think that not more than fifty would remain without the law. I believe that if the arrests had been made on the day of the first hostile demonstration by the military force sent to the agency the whole trouble would have been settled. Perhaps this would not have been accomplished without bloodshed, but the Indians have gained confidence by the protracted delay. The Indians, in a body, are likely to yield without resistance. A large number of Indians have left their homes and are encamped at distant points in dissembled bands and they are much disturbed. There are only about four hundred effective fighting men in the Crow nation above sixteen years of age. They have about four hundred guns, but are not well supplied with ammunition. They can retreat to the mountains and there will stand a long siege. This will entail a long campaign. Sword Bearer has been an obscure Indian. He recently achieved a reputation at the Cheyenne agency in a sun dance, since which time he has been growing in influence. The Crow nation has had no general leader, their old war chief being dead or superannated. Sword Bearer saw this and being shrewd, took advantage of the situation. He has been successful as a prophet, and has thus gained the superstitious confidence of his following. Sitting Bull's visit here last year and his bad counsel to the Crows was the main cause of the difficulty. The government should take steps to suppress the raids made by the Piegiens upon the Crow herds. The Piegiens drive the ponies to the British possessions and sell them; but as there is an inspector belonging to the Montana stockgrowers' association at this agency, all stolen horses in the possession of the Crows can be recovered. They know this, and it enrages them. The allotment question does not figure in this question, as the Crows generally have favored it. It all turns upon their having made reports of reprisals upon the Piegiens and the order for their arrest which followed. The custom of permitting Indians to indiscriminately visit other tribes is bad. When I reached here there were ten visiting Assinaboines at the agency. I returned them at once. Twenty Gros Ventres crossed the Yellowstone last night en route to the Shoshone camp. By my request Gen.

Dudley has arrested these and will hold them at the post till the trouble is settled."

IN THE MILL.

The City Fathers at Work for the Public.
The adjourned meeting of the city council convened last evening at 7 o'clock in the directors' room of the Stockgrowers' Bank, which for the time being was considered the city hall. There were present the mayor, the full board of aldermen and the city clerk.

After the roll call and reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, Aldermen Bullard and Lansing as special committee on city hall reported that they had obtained figures on the Moran store in the Leighton & Jordan block and on rooms in the Stockgrowers' Bank block, both of which propositions were submitted to the council. On motion of Alderman Brown the rooms in the Stockgrowers' Bank block were engaged and the meetings of the council will hereafter be held there, as also the session of the police court when it gets in running order.

Aldermen Towers and Lansing as special committee on city seal reported, recommending the adoption of a seal with the following inscription: "Corporate seal, Miles City, Montana, incorporated Sept. 9, 1887." On motion of Alderman Lansing the report was adopted and the clerk instructed to procure the seal.

Alderman Bullard then offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the city clerk be and is hereby instructed to procure from the county assessor a certified list of the taxable property within the corporate limits of Miles City as shown by the assessment roll of 1887.

On the question of the adoption of the resolution Aldermen Bullard, Brown, Lansing and Towers voted aye, and the resolution was declared adopted.
The bond of the city attorney with A. J. Coleman and Arthur Maxwell as sureties was presented and on motion of Alderman Towers was approved and ordered filed.

The next business taken up was the appointment of chief of police. The first nomination submitted to the council by the mayor for their action was that of Richard Hicks, which failed of confirmation by a tie vote; Wm. Carr's name was then submitted and also failed by three dissenting votes to one favorable. Louis King was then nominated and nomination was confirmed by three ayes, and one nay and on motion of Alderman Brown his bond was fixed at \$2,000, and on motion of Alderman Bullard the city treasurer's bond was fixed at \$8,000.

On motion of Alderman Bullard a committee was appointed to purchase the requisite furniture for the city hall and police court and Aldermen Bullard and Towers were appointed on such committee.
On motion of Alderman Bullard a committee was appointed to confer with the county commissioners in reference to jail accommodations for city prisoners, and Aldermen Bullard and Lansing were appointed on such committee.

The license question was then taken up by the council and discussed at length, but the amount of time requisite to equitably distribute the necessary changes under this head necessitated a postponement and on motion of Alderman Bullard the council adjourned to meet this evening at 7 o'clock.

Denny and the Postage Stamp.

If there is any one thing upon which Dennis Hannifin, Dakota's squatter governor prides himself more than another it is on being "an antagonizer and an extreme man." He has advocated the abolition of public opinion and ripping up of railroads so that the country may return to the good old times when the bull whackers were conductors and walking was the most comfortable mode of travel. He owns a number of valuable lots in Bismarck, chief among them being one on Fourth street, where in olden times he was wont to entertain his friends with the faro variations and the honest game of "draw." This lot he considers his most valuable, not only because of its splendid location, but its history in the days when men backed their opinions with revolvers and the "limit" in Denny's palace was the sky. At one time Denny refused to sell the building for less than \$24,000 and said that if he did sell for that sum the money must all be paid in pennies. But he is an extreme man. If he sells high it will require a Vanderbilt to buy, but if he lowers the price he makes a clean sweep, positively refusing to halt between the extremes. A few days ago an eastern capitalist was speaking in Denny's

bearing of the unscrupulous conduct of some real estate men he had met, saying that he could not depend upon their words.

"Well," showed Denny, as he struck his familiar gaitie-shifted, shoulder-slanted, war-declaring attitude and pointing toward his Fourth street property. "Do you see that shack there? Well, that's on my lot. Now I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll give you that lot for a postage stamp if you'll put a Connecticut brown stone front building on it, and I'll leave the 'pot' open for ninety days. If you 'call' me in that time the lot is yours and you're a dead sure winner of the finest piece of property in the whole city."

The easterner was somewhat amazed, but Denny assured him that the offer was made in all earnestness and those who were listeners state that the gentleman from the east has gone home to consider the proposition. Denny was seen last evening and says he will make his word good if the offer is accepted and his "mark" ships Connecticut brown stone to Bismarck and erects the building. The lot is valued at \$4,000.—Bismarck Tribune.

Trick of a Lizard.

"There are some curious cases among the California geckos," said a Los Angeles county naturalist. "Hear is one dead that is called the leaf tailed gecko. You see the tail bulges out soon after leaving the body and assumes a leaf of arrow shape, hence the name of the animal. Now when the little creature is chased you will see it dodge around a limb and hold up the curious leaf like tail. That is all that you can see, and so naturally would think it a part of the tree itself.

"But this lizard has a more remarkable method of escape yet. We will imagine that you have tried to pluck the leaf. The animal drops clumsily to the ground and darts away among the rocks, where it attracts the attention of some of the hawks that are prowling around. Immediately a chase ensues; the bird gains and is finally about to pounce upon its prey, when all at once two lizards appear, one making off while the other dances up and down into the air and along the ground in a very mysterious way, so that the astonished bird stops and looks. In the meantime the original lizard escapes; the other, that really is the tail, soon becomes quiescent. You see the gecko has the faculty of throwing off his tail when hard pressed, and while the pursuer's attention is drawn to the squirming member the animal itself escapes." "But it loses its tail," suggested the reporter. "Only for a time. They can reproduce this organ, and, curiously enough, sometimes two tails are produced instead of one."—San Francisco Call.

How Savages Fight Sharks.

The greatest danger to be feared in the presence of a shark is the paralysis of fear. Sharks unless very hungry will not attack a man while in motion. They swim around with longing eyes waiting for one moment when their victims shall remain quiet, and then make their onslaught. On the coast of Africa the natives fight sharks fearlessly. They enter the ocean naked, having first oiled their bodies in order that they may slide through the water easily. Their only weapon is a stout stick about two feet in length sharpened at both ends. The water is so clear that they can see for hundreds of feet around them. When a shark swims toward them they wait until the moment he turns on his back, and as he opens his jaws to seize them they thrust the stick crosswise into his mouth and swim off. The shark's mouth being held open by the stick, he is soon drowned, when the natives tow him ashore and feast upon his flesh.—New York Mail and Express.

Let us pray that the dead may find rest and the living strength to fight their battle to the end.—Christian Reid.

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A Confederate Soldier's Life.

The life of a soldier was made up, in the main, by eating and sleeping, and marching and fighting; but the first was eating—when he could. In the pursuit of this species of happiness his skill and sagacity knew no limit. The old time southern negro was proverbial as a thief and noted for strict attention to business and great fertility of resource in that line, but the average southern soldier could easily discount him at his favorite pastime. Like the schoolboy, who robbed a henroost at Christmas, he stole partly for fun and partly for profit, but the animo furandi, the "furious intention," as the lawyer rendered it, was lacking. He reasoned about it as the negro did who was caught stealing corn from his master's crib: "Massa nigger, massa corn." He was fighting for the people who remained at home, and a contribution in kind, if not in money, was justly his due; and so he collected his taxes himself as occasion offered, and without formality of a receipt.—Cor. Philadelphia Times.

The Desert Is Blossoming.

The desert of Sahara is slowly becoming inhabitable with the aid of science. The lower Sahara is an immense basin of artesian waters, and the French are forming fresh oases with skill and success, so that the number of cultivated tracts is increasing rapidly. After a period of thirty years forty-three oases have 13,000 inhabitants, 120,000 trees between 1 and 7 years old, and 100,000 fruit trees.—Chicago Times.