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Oats.....	2 to 3 bush.....	32
Rye.....	1 1/4 to 1 1/2 bush.....	55
Barley.....	1 1/4 to 2 bush.....	70
Corn in ear.....	.....	50
Corn Meal.....	.....	50
Irish Potatoes.....	12 to 15 bush.....	60
Sweet Potatoes.....	.....	50
Corn (large yellow).....	6 to 8 quarts.....	56
Corn (small).....	4 1/4 to 6 quarts.....	56
Peas (field).....	2 to 2 1/4 bush.....	80
Split Peas.....	.....	60
Beets (field).....	4 lbs.....	60
Beans (white).....	16 lbs.....	60
Castor Beans.....	3 quarts.....	45
Carrots.....	3 to 4 lbs.....	57
Onions.....	4 to 5.....	57
Top Onion Sets.....	30 to 60 lbs.....	27
Hemp.....	44 to 100 lbs.....	44
Upland Cotton Seed.....	10 to 12 lbs.....	33 1/2
Rape Seed.....	10 to 12 lbs.....	56
Kale Seed.....	10 to 20 lbs.....	56
Osage Orange Seed.....	.....	33
Sorghum.....	.....	42
Bran.....	.....	20
Dried Peaches.....	.....	33
Dried Apples.....	.....	24
Malt Barley.....	.....	34
Salt.....	.....	50
Coal.....	.....	80
Lime.....	.....	80
Cement.....	.....	80
Plaster Paris.....	.....	80
Hair.....	.....	83

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MANY of the accounts which reach us from the South are of a very gloomy character. In to-day's dispatches a slight reference is made to affairs there, from which some idea may be formed of the dreadful circumstances which surround the people. This report is from South Carolina; but we understand that in North Carolina no amount of human testimony can begin to convey to people, not eye-witnesses, the real condition of things in that unhappy section. This also may be truthfully said of the greater part of the South. Unless there is a speedy and radical change, the prospect is that matters will grow worse and worse, until anarchy will prevail and life and property be exposed to every peril. One of the most terrible evils with which society is threatened is the organization of secret leagues. There are doubtless urgent reasons in the minds of the Southern people for creating and maintaining these organizations. Assailed and threatened, they may deem themselves justified in resorting to such combinations as these to preserve themselves and some vestiges of their rights from annihilation. But the experiment is a fearful one, and may bring about results directly the opposite of those which are anticipated. These secret organizations are not, however, confined to the South; they exist in the North and possess considerable strength there, though they do not yet have occasion to exhibit it, and have had no particular opportunity of impressing people with the fearful nature of the power which they are capable of wielding. It is interesting in this connection to read the predictions made by the writers of the Book of Mormon concerning these secret combinations. The people are determined to fulfil the prophecies contained in that book, and to establish by their own acts every claim to inspiration made by the prophet Joseph Smith. We have only space to-day for one of these predictions. Speaking of secret combinations, the prophet Moroni says:

"And now I, Moroni, do not write the manner of their oaths, and combinations, for it hath been made known unto me that they are had among all people, and they are had among the Lamanites, and they have caused the destruction of this people of whom I am now speaking, and also the destruction of the people of Nephi; and whatsoever nation shall uphold such secret combinations, to get power and gain, until they shall spread over the nation, behold, they shall be destroyed, for the Lord will not suffer that the blood of His Saints, which shall be shed by them, shall always cry unto Him from the ground for vengeance upon them, and yet He avenge them not; wherefore, O ye Gentiles, it is wisdom in God that these things should be shewn unto you, that thereby ye may repent of your sins, and suffer not that these murderous combinations shall get above you,

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.]

## By Telegraph.

### GENERAL.

Hiram Pool, arrested for the murder of O. R. Harrison, whose trial was to commence yesterday at Sonora, Tuolumne county, was found hanging in his cell dead when the officers went for him.

J. W. Hewett, of Pleasant Valley, Solano county, who killed Harker Adams last summer and was acquitted a few days since, was assassinated a few feet from the place where he killed Adams on Friday night last, by two men who came to the house disguised and asked him to point out the road to the next rancho, where they could obtain lodgings. Adams was a great favorite with the Spanish residents of the country, and it is supposed Hewett was killed in revenge for killing Adams. When falling he exclaimed "I am murdered, and died in a few minutes, a bullet having passed through his heart."

A dispatch to the *World* dated Paris 9, says the national guards are strongly entrenched, with thirty-one guns, on the heights of Mont Martre, awaiting the signal of their leaders to proclaim an open revolution in favor of a commune.

ST. LOUIS, 9.—The number of lives lost in the fearful tornado, at East St. Louis, yesterday, was seven. Thirty-seven persons were seriously injured, and a number of them fatally injured, while the number of those receiving less severe hurts are at least double this number. Some damage was done to the steamers on this side the river, in the neighborhood of the sectional docks, below the city.

The *Herald's* Havana special says affairs in San Domingo don't promise well for the ultimate success of annexation. The populace, on hearing that the commissioners had sent a report favorable to the project, armed, and with cries of "No annexation," commenced setting fire to buildings, threatening to burn the towns.

La Peron, the Dominican General, arrived at the northern part of the island with some followers, and would act against Baez, and the annexationists. The Haytiens, although professing strict neutrality, are secretly aiding the Dominican insurrection, and they have been warned against it by the U. S. officials.

NEW YORK, 10.—A dispatch from Columbia, S. C., last night, says a large body of armed men, from East Tennessee and North Carolina, have appeared in York and Chester counties, and fighting has been going on between them and the colored militia for several days.

Major Whitehead, of the 8th infantry, stationed at Yorkville, arrived this morning and reports the most horrible outrages by both the colored militia and the Ku Klux. The negro militia were defeated on Monday night and fled to the camp of Major Whitehead, who disarmed them. Governor Scott will to-day, proclaim martial law in York and Chester counties. He has telegraphed the President and General Terry at Louisville, asking troops. In the mean-

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