MURDEROUS APACHES.

Mexican Colonists Are About to Prepare for a Serious Time.

TWO OFFICERS REPORTED KILLED.

Ranchers Called Upon to Guard Women and Children on Their Way to Church.

The following is a special to the *Globe-Democrat*, from Colonia Juarez, Mexico, bearing date November 28th:

The Dancing *Blood Light* contains an account of the killing of two Mexican officers by the Apaches. The account states that fifty Mexican soldiers were sent out from Colonia to intercept Captain Kid and his band of thirteen warriors on their way back to the Sierra Madre mountains. While traversing along the foot hills about sixty miles southwest from Palomas the soldiers were ambushed by the Indians and the two officers in charge were killed. The men were traveling in advance of their party were shot through the head and the soldiers completely routed, the Indians retreating into the mountains. The officers killed were sent to Chihuahua for burial, and the government was notified; whereupon, an order was issued for five hundred men to be dispatched immediately to the mountains, to be stationed near the colonies of Pacheco and Juarez.

Last Saturday Henry Hodgson Pratt and a correspondent started for the months of Juarez for the purpose of selecting a location and place of rendezvous in times of danger where the families of the colonists could be collected and guarded by a few men, thus leaving others to assist in repelling attacks. Leaving here about 4 o'clock we soon reached the mountains and beach the sound, traveling all night through forests and pines, deep canyons and beautiful little valleys.

We arrived at Pacheco at 4 o'clock next morning. After a few hours' rest at the house of Bishop Jesse N. Smith, we met with the people at their usual services. As the body of men having arrived I was very forcibly reminded of pictures I have seen of the early settlers of America attending church. Each family as they came in had their arms with them, and the male branch so armed went with the elder of the place, and when the congregation had all gathered, each corner of the little church was stacked with rifles.

After consulting with the people it was unanimously decided to erect a stockade of pine trees with stone bastions on each corner around the school house, thus making a lot 100x120 feet. In the evening in company with Bishop Smith and Bishop Henry Lunt, late of Cache City, Utah, we went to Corralos, and the people there decided to build a fort on a little hill overlooking all the houses. Monday morning Bishop Smith accompanied me over to Cave valley, the headquarters for the Apaches when in the Sierra Madre mountains. Here the people decided to fortify immediately and bring in all southern families.

The mountain settlements and the colonies of Juarez each now have a military organization of well armed men with complete outfits divided into companies of men with a captain over each ten, and are called out twice a month for drill and target practice.

After meeting with the people of Cave Valley, Helaman Pratt and I rode over to visit the celebrated caves. Hitching our horses in a little clump of cherry trees near the river, with rifle in hand we began climbing the mountain just below the top of the principal caves. Trails leading up the mountain are worn into the solid rock over a foot deep. This cave is about fifteen feet high. In one mouth is a large oilla built for holding grain, just back of which the cave is divided off into compartments with port holes and windows. These rooms extend back thirty feet, and it is said that one of them contains a large oilla of several thousands of gallons capacity, nicely sealed and its contents are a mystery to all visitors but on account of the lateness of the evening and not knowing if Captain Kid intended remaining up in these caves for a few days we concluded to wait till a more favorable time for visiting the interior. In the mouth of this cave is a pool containing about ten gallons of clear cold water supplied by a little spring coming out of the rocks immediately above. On the opposite side of the canyon are other large caves located higher up in the mountains and from which a large masonry was taken a few years ago by a company of scientific men from the United States.

Next morning we visited another large cave, riding our horses into the mouth of it. This cave like the other can be well fortied up inside and is so arranged that the entire canyon leading up to it can be covered with a few rifles from the fort's interior. A small body of well armed men with supplies in these caves could defy the entire Mexican army.

Dr. Moser of the B. Y. Academy made us a visit last week and organized Church schools in Juarez he was surprised to find a well graded live school supported entirely by the people. JOSEPH C. BENETLEY.

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

Paragraphs Taken from the Various Exchanges of Latest Date.

Harry McKay, the man who confessed himself guilty of repeating at the recent election in Boise City has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the state penitentiary.

Idaho Blade—The Hon. Mr. Burzelle has shipped out from Nampa, leaving many bills behind him there. He owes about every newspaper in the state for a dunning ad in his sulfury season, which never materialized.

All hands on the Model farm in Cache county are now busy seeding and save of land to wheat. Next spring they will seed several hundred acres in oats. The Bear river valley is fast becoming a rival to Minnesota for the grain fields.

The ore from the Burns lode of the Calumet company on Bull mountain, Colorado, is said to be astonishingly rich in free gold. A recent very important strike is reported and there appears no reason to doubt the statement that the Burns has the Phoenixville vein. The Calumet company have bonded this very valuable lode for the sum of only $30,000. The Calumet company is capitalized for $600,000.

The Warren Gem, mere hourly mass connection between the shoe and old mines. This winter they will take coal from both the slope and the shaft and have already purchased a whim to be used in the slope for this winter. They will soon be in readiness to take from two to four carloads a day from the mine.—Clearfield Chronicle.

Ny Gee, another of the Chinese highbinders who were arrested on Sunday last for carrying concealed weapons, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the House of Correction by Judge Rix yesterday. Gee is the hatchet man who he supposed to have been called from Sacramento to participate in the Chinatown war.

Robert Forrester, of Castle Gate, the mine inspector for Utah, has made a visit to Coalville and inspected the coalmines, says the Summit Chronicle. He made quite a study of the geological formations of the town and carried away with him some specimens found in his travels. He found most of the mines in good condition.

By far the largest water storage project ever undertaken in the United States is that on the Arizona canal, nine miles from Phoenix City. Work will begin at once to build an embankment on the west side of the canal at the distance of three miles, which will form a lake that length and twenty feet deep. Water will be let in from the Arizona canal during the rainy season. Below, two miles, will be another lake a mile wide, four long and twenty-five feet deep.

The 13-year-old daughter of Christian P. Christensen of Moroni was severely hooked by a cow last Friday. The young lady had been suffering and was somewhat debilitated from an attack of pleurisy. She went into the corral to drive the calves out, when the animal started after her and can here struck the victim in the abdomen, inflicting a bad bruise, but not seriously injuring her.

Hadley Times—The roasting furnace, the hoisters and other parts of the Vienna Mining company's mill, at Red Wing, are idle, and the mine will doubtless be stripped for the winter in a day or two. The mill run just made has demonstrated that the ore could be worked up to quite a high percentage, but the price of silver is so low that the financial results are anything but quite satisfactory, now fluctuating the high price of the ore. Most of the men employed at the Solace mine and at the Vienna mill have therefore been laid off, only a small force being retained to drive a 1000-foot tunnel on contract. If the outlook should again justifies it, the mill will be started up as early as possible, and a large force employed, both at the mine and in the mill.

Kenneth McKenzie, shot on an electric street car at Great Falls, Montana, has been killed while in the discharge of his duty at that place. He was the last car to leave from Boston and Great Falls addition on the Central avenue line, and when it reached the switch at Ninth street it was going at such a rapid rate that it jumped the track. McKenzie was thrown over the front and dragged along between the car and ground for over 100 feet. When his body was taken out he was mangled almost beyond recognition. Both legs were crushed and the brains could be seen. A flight of one of the steps, and part of the outside protruded from a wound in the abdomen. The life must have been fairly crushed out of the unfortunate man the instant he fell in front of the car. The only other occupant of the car was John Larson, the conductor who escaped with a few bruises. The coroner's inquest exonerated the company from blame.

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