wood's narrative gives evidence that the retreat was a disorderly stampede. "It was not made to save her life. On the contrary she was left to save herself, until the fugitives recovered from their panic. A retreat from Manjur was necessary; but a stand might have been made in the hills in the vicinity. Had this been done, the lives of the captives might have been saved. At any rate the disaster would not have been a disgrace. But the dessier calls for more than the punishment of the two junior officers."

The Gazette concludes the article by condemning the mistake of the Indian government which led to the uprising. The whole story, it says, is a miserable record of blundering and mismanagement.

The Corn Corner.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—A local paper says: The wind-up of the November corn deal would seem to prove the assertion that the Chicago end is nothing but a side show to the big corner in New York. It is evident from the advance in the price in New York to $1.10 against 75 cents in Chicago, that some persons in the former city are having the screws turned on them mercilessly. It was a quiet but very strong corner, shrewdly manipulated. A hundred thousand bushels of new corn delivered this afternoon at the end of the board of trade session. F. S. Ryan & Co. are delinquents to the extent of 60,000 bushels, by reason of an injunction issued by Judge Tuley, restraining them from filling the order of Harry B. Sickles. He contracted in October and November when the price was 90 cents. He did not have the corn in stock and when it became necessary he brought an injunction suit, on the ground that a combination had been formed and the price advanced to an unlawful figure. The corn was contracted to Lambert & Bros., who in turn sold. They expect to pay this shortage and bring suit against Ryans. It is rumored Brown & Eggleston are among the defaulting firms. The firms supposed to be in the deal are Bartlet, Frazer & Co., C. M. Armstrong, E. Andrews and Conner & Martin, a New York firm.

A dispatch from New York says: A well known grain operator asserts there is no manipulation; that the facts are, there has been a sudden big demand for corn for export the last thirty days, and while the corner caused the supply of old corn to sell short owing to the high prices at which White put corn on the Chicago market when the prices broke. The corn shipped to New York was shipped abroad. The remaining corn in Chicago fell into the hands of a few buyers there who shipped it as fast as possible to fill the New England demands. The consequence was it left the Chicago market short. It was heavily oversold. It was just a natural corner and three or four people who held the corn made the combine.

Murder and Suicide.

MCMINNVILLE, Or., Nov. 30.—J. H. Stites, editor of the Whiteson Advocate, was shot and killed last night by N. C. Cook, section boss on the railroad. Cook then blew his own brains out. The men were friends and were walking along the road together, when Cook suddenly drew a revolver and shot Stites in the back of the neck. Cook had been acting strangely of late, and it is supposed he was seized with a fit of mental aberration. Both men were members of the G. A. R.

Snow Drifts Beside the Roads.

DENVER, Nov. 30.—Information from Hysingy, Colo., says that freight trains which started from the North Park last week, hauling over the surplus grain, have returned with the loaded wagons. On the summit of the Cantlemental divide snow drifts were encountered from ten to twelve feet deep. It is feared that hardships will result to ranchers depending on the proceeds of grain sold in the North Park for the purchase of winter supplies.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Denver, Nov. 30.—A dispatch from Albuquerque, N. M., says that Atlantic and Pacific Agent Healy at Wingate station was held up and robbed last night. The robbers secured a gold watch and chain and several hundred dollars belonging to the railroad and to the Wells-Fargo Express Company. Soldiers are after the robbers.

Cincinnati, Nov. 30.—The Times-Star Washington special says: Secretary Blaine will in a few days publicly state his position in reference to the presidential nomination with a view to putting a stop to the party's factious fight. He and President Harrison have reached an agreement which looks to the success of the candidate and not to an individual's promotion.

New York, 30.—Louis Armand, the man who forced his attention on Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, nee Harriet Crocker, daughter of the San Francisco millionaire, was released bonds today.

New Boston, Tex., Nov. 30.—Last night Charlie Vine shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Morgan. Threw his body into the river, mounted Morgan's horse and escaped.

New York, Nov. 30.—John G. Hall, who fired the shots at Dr. Hall, was held in $5000 bail this morning. There is no doubt that Hall is insane.

Concord, N. H., Nov. 30.—A. A. Sawtelle, awaiting death for killing his brother Hiram, today asked for a new trial on an affidavit in which he confessed to having been at the scene of the murder, which occurred in Maine, instead of New Hampshire, and promises on the new trial to tell who were present and who did the killing.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—Damage aggregating $150, was inflicted tonight by a fire in the recently constructed building of the Chicago Arc Light Power company, on Washington street, near Market. The blaze was started by crossed electric light wires.

A WARD'S FIRST LECTURE.

HIS AUDIENCE DID NOT KNOW HOW TO TAKE HIM.

[Stephen Fiske in Mirrophile.]

I have met and heard many professional humorists, but none, off or on the stage, could equal Artemus Ward. His appearance was quaint. He looked like a smaller Bartley Campbell or a blonde Daly. His manner was super-naturally grave and earnest. His fun was not the hilarious. It was in the apparently unconscious revelation of the most incongruous ideas. His humor was not spontaneous. He labored over every word until he had it just right, and then committed it to paper or to memory and never varied it. One of his rules was always to make a joke plain to his audience. Another was to wait for the laugh. Sometimes the audience would not see the fun. He said me that the greatest compliment he had ever received was from a stranger stopping at the same hotel, who asked him if he had been to hear that fellow, Artemus Ward, lecture.

"No," replied Artemus. "Have you? What do you think of him?"

"Why, he is the stupidest fool I ever saw. I just sat there and waited to hear him making such a show of himself. I wouldn't have missed it for ten dollars."

At his first lecture the New York audience did not know what to make of him. He seemed so nervous, fidgeted about on his feet his place; never said a word about the advertised subject of his lecture.

"Call me pet names, love, call me a bird," he murmured, "and I call a bottled owl." Then he waited for the laugh. It came very slowly; first a solitary cackle; then two or three chuckles. "When I said that in Chicago," continued Artemus gravely, "I had to go before a justice of the peace and take my solemn affidavit that a bottled owl was a bird before one of them could catch the joke." Then everybody roared. New Yorkers were not going to be duller than Chicagoans.

In the smoking-room of the St. Nicholas hotel late that night Artemus Ward played one of his favorite practical jokes. A number of strangers were reading the papers. Suddenly Ward called out: "George! George!" Two or three of the men whose name was George looked up.

"Why did you leave Schenectady?" inquired Ward, without looking at any one in particular.

"If you mean me, sir," said a peppery person, "I never was at Schenectady in my life, and I don't know you, sir!"

"You were doing well there, George," continued Ward, imperturbably. "Why did you leave the place?"

"Confound you, sir," shouted the stranger, "I tell you I never saw Schenectady!" and he threw down his paper and stalked out of the room.

"His conscience troubles him," said Ward; "but I wish he had told me why he left Schenectady."

Then all the strangers shook their heads and muttered that they had always thought there was something strange about that Schenectady man, and Artemus was happy.

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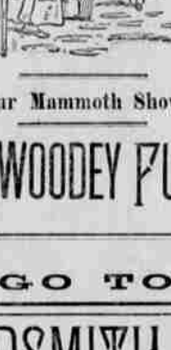

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