

Maj. Singer, of the 15th infantry, has been left in charge of the supply camp, at the mouth of the Rosebud, which has been garrisoned by a company of infantry and one hundred and twenty dismounted cavalry. The garrison has also been supplied with three Gatling guns to guard against attack.

The camp occupies a slight prominence on the left bank of the Rosebud, and is protected by earthworks on three sides. A commanding bluff overlooks the garrison from the west bank of the Yellowstone, and the Indians will undoubtedly make an attack during the absence of the main body; but it is believed a successful defence can be made.

The building of posts on the Yellowstone is postponed this year. No attempt will be made to hold the country during winter, and unless a heavy blow be struck this month, the purpose of the expedition will be defeated.

General Terry will return to the Rosebud about the middle of September, when all the troops will be withdrawn. After that date the command will march overland from Supply Camp along the north bank of the Yellowstone to a point opposite Fort Buford, where a ferry will be provided to move the command to the east bank of the Missouri.

WASHINGTON, 15.—General Sherman states that he has received a similar report, from another direction, to that published yesterday, stating that a terrible battle had taken place between Crook and the Sioux, and that the latter had almost been annihilated. It was brought to the Red Cloud Agency, and sent to him from Laramie, therefore he says there seems to be more substance in the squaw's story than was at first considered probable.

The son of Speaker Kerr telegraphs from Rock Alum Springs, Va., this p.m., that his father is failing very fast. We expect the worst every moment.

The President to-day signed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and the Indian appropriation bill. All the regular annual appropriations have now been approved.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of A. M. Clapp to be public printer.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., 15.—A. M. Hawley, who was suspected of robbing P. D. Bullock, of Jackson, Mich., of \$50,000 worth of bonds, notes and currency on July 31st, was arrested at Clayton, New York, yesterday, and all the property recovered.

TORONTO, 15.—A special from Staffordville, Elgin County, says a terrific rain storm occurred in that section on Saturday, causing immense destruction to roads, bridges and crops. Twelve bridges were swept away in a radius of three miles. The streams were never known to be so high. Pails, etc., exposed to the weather, were found to contain seven inches of water.

INDIANAPOLIS, 15.—Gov. Hendricks issued a proclamation this afternoon, reciting that a large body of strikers, formerly employees of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad, had banded together to obstruct the traffic on that road in defiance of the law; that the sheriff of Knox County has called upon the state for aid, and that, therefore, in the interest of the public welfare, these men should be disbanded; that the railroad company has failed to perform any obligations towards the strikers does not justify such proceedings. In conclusion he calls upon these bands to disperse, and on the officers and citizens to uphold the authority of the law to break up this organization and bring the guilty to punishment.

CINCINNATI, 15.—The pay car has been along the Ohio and Mississippi railroad to-day and paid for June. Some of the strikers accepted the situation. Armed men, numbering 200, will guard the road and protect the men who work on it.

CHEYENNE, 15.—The following is from Boulder, Colorado: This morning, as the Colorado Central train reached a point about six miles north of Ralston, an obstruction was discovered on the track in the shape of cross ties, which brought the train to a stop. It was immediately boarded by twenty-four masked and armed men, who ordered, at the point of the pistol, the passengers to go forward to the baggage car, all except Judge Stone, who was forcibly taken from the train and taken off towards the

mountains. It is supposed that it was done to retard the qualification of receiver Moffat, Jr., which was to have taken place here to-day.

Companies D and F of the 4th Cavalry left for the north yesterday. Two companies of the 14th infantry arrived from Utah yesterday, and await orders. Four companies of the 4th Artillery, from the Pacific coast, and one more of the fourth Cavalry, making six of this regiment in all, are expected here to-morrow.

Sixty-eight Ute scouts will leave Fetterman on Thursday and endeavor to join Crook.

Major Frank North, chief of the old Pawnee scouts, is ordered to report to General Sheridan. He left Sidney, Neb., for Chicago to-night.

SAN FRANCISCO, 15.—The court martial convened at Alcatraz to-day to try Capt. John Eagan, of the fourth artillery, commanding that post, on charges alleging his conduct to be prejudicial to good order and military discipline.

WASHINGTON, 15.—The President sent the following message to the House of Representatives—

"In announcing, as I do, that I have attached my signature of official approval to the act making appropriations for the consular and diplomatic service of government for the year ending June 30, 1877, and for other purposes, it is my duty to call attention to the provision in the act directing that notice be sent to certain diplomatic and consular officers of the government to close their office. In the literal sense of the direction it would be an invasion of the constitutional prerogative and duty of the executive. By the constitution the President shall have power, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to make treaties, provided two-thirds of the Senators present consent, and he shall terminate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate shall appoint ambassadors and other public ministers and consuls, &c. It is within the power of Congress to grant or withhold appropriations of money for the payment of the salaries and expenses of foreign representatives of the government. In the early days of the government a sum in gross was appropriated, leaving it to the executive to determine the grade of officers and the countries to which they would be sent. Latterly for very many years specific sums have been appropriated for designated missions. The employment and as a rule the omission by Congress, to make an appropriation for a specific post has heretofore been accepted as a wish on the part of Congress which the executive branch of the government respected and complied with. In calling attention to the passage which I have indicated I assume the intention of the provision is only to exercise the constitutional prerogative of Congress over the expenditures of the Government and to fix a time on which the compensation of certain diplomatic and consular officers shall cease, and not to invade the prerogative of the executive, which I should be compelled to resist, and my present object is not to discuss or dispute the wisdom of failing to appropriate for the several offices, but to guard against a construction that might possibly be placed in the language used as implying a right in the legislative branch of the diplomatic or consular affairs of the Government.

(Signed) U. S. GRANT.

The Senate confirmed the following: The Senate confirmed A. W. Stanford, United States marshal for Arizona.

NEW YORK, 16.—A Times' special says Kerr's present disease is ulceration of the bowels, accompanied by a complication of disorders. In view of his condition all amusements at Rock Bridge, Alum Springs, are suspended. The proprietors and guests are unremitting in their attention to the sufferer, and Mrs. Kerr is constantly at his bedside.

A serious riot occurred among the laborers and their foreman, named Cody, who were blasting rock in 56th Street yesterday. Cody, who was apparently in the wrong, deliberately shot three or four of the workmen. He was arrested after a desperate struggle. The affair created quite a sensation. Excited citizens threatened the life of Cody.

Patrick Monahan was killed by his step-son in Elizabeth street yesterday. The murderer was only

fifteen years old, and the offence was committed because Monahan brought home some lager beer.

Over sixty cabin passengers who arrived by the steamship *Colon*, published a spirited protest against the accommodations afforded them.

The following shows the amounts of money appropriated by Congress during the session just closed in the regular annual appropriation bills for the support of the government. It does not account for all the money disposed of by Congress during the session, as it does not include in the expended balances the reappropriated sums granted in private relief bills, the payment of judgment of claims and awards of the southern claims commission, the appropriations for the centennial exhibition, Washington monument, &c., which are not included in the regular bills—legislative, \$14,817,935.30; army, \$25,987,647.90; navy, \$1,266,240; post office, \$3,455,820; river and harbor, \$4,719,500; fortification, \$315,000; military academy, \$290,065; Indian, \$4,670,116.02; consular and diplomatic, \$107,318,500; pension, \$2,953,350; sundry civil, \$16,342,073.10; deficiency, \$258,639,818; total \$147,082,776.90.

CLEVELAND, O., 16.—The New York express train, which left here about 10 o'clock last night, on the Lake Shore railway, was thrown from the track about two a.m., near North East Pennsylvania. Wm. Clements, of Cleveland, Ohio, had both legs broken, and some others were injured slightly. The train was badly wrecked. The cause of the wreck is unknown.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., 16.—On Sunday and Monday last Tallahatchie County, Miss., was visited by a terrible rain storm, which destroyed all the crops on the creeks and bottoms, washing away levees and bridges. Many of the farmers lost their entire crops. The damage is estimated at \$500,000.

BISMARCK, 16.—A company of twenty-five men from the Black Hills report the miners there very successful in some localities.

The steamer *Western*, from Benton, brings news that when at Fort Peck an Indian told the captain that Terry had a fight with the Sioux the day previous, and that Terry's killed numbered 300, and Sitting Bull's 700.

A later rumor says that the Indian battle is confirmed by runners from Fort Peck.

ST. LOUIS, 16.—Jno. Gottlieb, a German, 56 years old, shot himself through the heart with an old army carbine at 4 o'clock this a.m., killing himself instantly.

WESTPORT, N. Y., 16.—An incendiary fire last night destroyed the business portion of this town; loss \$75,000.

WASHINGTON, 16.—The President will leave here on Friday or Saturday for Long Branch.

Nothing has been heard at the army headquarters from Generals Crook and Terry since their forward movement against the Sioux, and all published accounts of fights that have taken place are discredited.

The joint select committee of the two Houses of Congress to investigate the immigration of Chinese Coolies into the country, composed of Morton, Sargent and Cooper on the part of the Senate, and Pitcher, Mead and Watson on the part of the House, will leave for San Francisco early in October. They will be accompanied by deputy sergeant-at-arms Christie. Chicago has been fixed on as the meeting place of the committee preparatory to starting for San Francisco.

CHICAGO, 16.—Adjutant General Drum has just received a dispatch from Fort Brown, Wyoming Territory, stating that a Shoshone Indian has just come in who left General Crook on the 10th instant, well down on Tongue river. He thought General Crook would strike the Indians by the 11th or 12th.

QUEBEC, 16.—The tanyard of Annete Brosnue and twenty-five houses in Nevis, were burned this morning; loss \$100,000, partially insured.

CHICAGO, 16.—Edwin Booth leaves Chicago on Friday next, on a special train for San Francisco, where he will play an engagement in McCullough's theatre. Mrs. Booth, Miss Edwina Booth and others will accompany him. It is anticipated that the company will be twelve days en route.

The Journal's Washington special says the national capital is assuming a stale and unprofitable aspect of vacation period. Nearly all the senators and representatives have left for home, and the Pres-

ident and heads of departments and bureaus, and many of the clerks are packing up preparatory for a resting spell.

A very dull time will now be upon us. Candid men of all parties agree that the long session, with all its investigations and turmoils, has been a very unprofitable one to the Government, the country, and especially to the democratic party.

Many of the best and wisest of our statesmen depart under the sense of regret that the silver legal tender bill failed to become law, believing that it would have been an effective solution of our financial problem.

CHEYENNE, 16.—Judge Stone, of Colorado, who was forcibly taken from a train near Boulder, yesterday, was sent over the mountains to Golden City and thence to Denver, reaching there at two o'clock this morning. He was uninjured, as the men only wanted him to keep the court from convening. Judge Brazer, with Gov. Rout and a posse of military, went to Boulder last night, opened court, and then adjourned it till to-morrow.

WASHINGTON, 16.—Secretary Cameron has written the following to General Sherman:

"War Department,

"Washington, D. C., Aug. 15.

"Sir—The House of Representatives of the United States on the tenth instant, passed the following preamble and resolution:

"Whereas, The right of suffrage prescribed by the constitution of the several States is subject to the 15th Amendment of the Constitution of the United States, which is as follows:

"Article 15, section 1.—The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

"Section 2.—Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation, and

"Whereas, The right of suffrage so prescribed and regulated should be faithfully maintained and observed by the United States and the several States and citizens thereof; and

"Whereas, It is asserted that the exercise of the right of suffrage is in some states, notwithstanding the efforts of all good citizens to the contrary, resisted and controlled by fraud, intimidation and violence, so that in such cases the object of the amendment is defeated; and

"Whereas, All citizens without distinction of race, class or color are entitled to the protection conferred by such article; therefore,

Be it Resolved, by the House of Representatives, that all attempts by force, fraud, terror, intimidation or otherwise to prevent the free exercise of the right of suffrage in any State should meet with certain, condign and effectual punishment, and that in any case which has hitherto occurred or that may occur, in which violence or murder has been or shall be committed by one race or class upon the other, the prompt prosecution and punishment of the criminal or criminals, in any court having jurisdiction, is imperatively demanded, whether the crime be one punishable by fine or imprisonment, or one demanding the penalty of death.

"The President directs that, in accordance with the spirit of the above, you are to hold all available force under your command, not now engaged in subduing the savages of the western frontier, in readiness to be used upon the call or requisition of the proper legal authorities for protecting all citizens without distinction of race, color or political opinion, in the exercise of the right to vote as guaranteed by the 15th amendment, and to assist in the enforcement of certain condign punishment upon all persons who shall attempt by force, fraud, terror, intimidation, or otherwise to prevent the free exercise of the suffrage as provided by the law of the United States, and have such force so distributed and stationed as to be able to render prompt assistance in the enforcement of the laws.

"Such additional orders as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of these instructions will be given you from time to time, after consultation with the law officers of the government.

"Very respectfully,

"Your obedient servant,

"J. D. CAMERON,

"Secretary of War."

Washington never resumed its dull vacation after the adjournment of Congress more instantaneously than it has done to-day. Senators and Republicans had been dropping out of their places by twos and threes for weeks, and the House on the last vote taken, had just a quorum. Of those who remained to take part in the close, the majority had their trunks packed and their railroad tickets bought, or passes secured in advance, and they were ready to take the first train for home.

The Times Washington special says the Secretary of the Treasury, in reducing the force in his department, is seeking to obtain the voluntary resignation of those clerks who are willing. He says to all who will resign after the 20th of this month, they shall be paid to the 10th of October, the time when the general discharge of the clerks is to be made. Several clerks resigned to-day, and it is thought there will be at least one hundred resign. The same course was pursued last year with some advantage to both the clerks and officers of the department. There will be about 500 reductions to the Treasury Department, which, Morrill says, will be a hard blow in the service. It will be a hard blow to the poor clerks also, who will, for the most part, except those who may resign, be left at the point of starvation. When Randall's guillotine falls on October 10th, 500 employees, upon whose labor the living of themselves and families depend, will be like the same number of factory operatives when a great mill has burned down. The suffering will be terrible; the more so as no real exigencies of the government require it. The officers of the departments are taking every pains to render the calamity as light as possible, but it cannot be mitigated very much.

NEW YORK, 16.

The silk manufacturers in the eastern States held a meeting to-day, and resolved to make an advance of twenty-five per cent. on all classes of goods.

OMAHA, 16.—An official dispatch received from Camp Brown, Wyoming, says a Shoshone Indian who left General Crook on the 10th reports that Crook would strike the Sioux village on the 11th or 12th. Small parties of Indians were watching and annoying him, and burning the grass.

ROCK ALUM SPRINGS, 10 p.m. —Kerr's condition to-night gives scarcely rational hope that he will live much longer. He grows weaker hourly, but his mind retains its clearness and vigor, and he converses freely of his condition. He fully realizes the near approach of death, and is calm and resigned, and though suffering terribly, endures it with wonderful fortitude and patience. He has received telegrams throughout the day and dictated replies. His private secretary, Whittier, is with him. His wife and son are constantly at his bedside. Dr. Pope, of Washington, who has been sent for, is hourly expected, and on his power to furnish immediate relief, as he recently did in Washington, rests the only hope of his family.

SAN FRANCISCO, 16.—The Captain of the British bark *Abbey Cowper*, just arrived at Manila, reports that on July third he boarded a Japanese junk, which left Hakadadi for Yokohama November 9th, 1875, was dismantled soon after, and floated about until found as above. Only two of the crew remained alive, nine others, including the Captain, died from scurvy and privation. The bodies lay on board. The survivors were in a perishing condition when picked up.

Earl Dufferin was accorded a handsome reception on his arrival at Victoria. The streets were decorated with arches, evergreens and flags. The Lieut. Governor, cabinet, city government, military and civic societies formed a procession and marched to the government house.

—The recent Sunday night police raid on Gilmore's Garden, New York, has sprung the question, "Is a policeman a privileged and legal deadhead in every place of amusement in the city?"

—Outrageous doings of twelve self-styled detectives, armed with double-barrelled shotguns and pistols, are reported in and around Kansas City, Mo.

—The New York Times says George Fruits died at his house, near Crawfordsville, Ind., Aug. 6, aged 114 years.