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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Rich mines have been discovered in the Big Horn and Owl Creek mountains, one hundred and twenty-five miles north of the South Pass.

For many developments about post-trade ships see St. Louis dispatch of the 5th inst.

Congressman Luttrell, of Calif., prefers serious charges of malfeasance in office against Indian Agent Burdard.

Extraordinary shipments of grain for England, were made last week at New York.

Forty thousand dollars damage by fire at Spencerport.

The basins of the Colorado and the amount of one hundred thousand dollars.

Michael Fillion is to be hanged at North Platte, for the murder of Thomas Grimes.

The Spaulding court-martial in session at Mare Island.

Immense falls of snow, snow-slides and blockades on the Central Pacific Railroad, within the past few days.

Captain Craig and G. W. Bryant, of Mo., arrested on a charge of conspiring to defraud the government of \$20,000.

Don Carlos, in Mexico, yesterday.

The Pope has granted full amnesty to all the insurgents.

Ledochowski has been to see the Pope.

Elections for members of the Assembly, in France, yesterday.

An sanguinary conflict is said to have taken place in Serbia, between the communists and military.

A bonanza of copper has been discovered in the mountains of the Republic.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

An exchange says, "A man can borrow trouble without giving security." Not much. He can't borrow trouble without mortgaging his peace of mind.

They say that Hon. W. N. Byss, editor of the Rocky Mountain News, stands good chance to be elected first Governor of the State of Colorado.

St. Louis is municipally subdivided into five (5) wards, each having two.

Mr. Frederic deCabe, the clever and character actor, was severely injured in a recent railroad collision in England.

Many of our exhibitors seem to be very anxious to prevent scientists from going hungry; and therefore are making much of some recently discovered "food for scientists—a hot water fish," found in the Savage mine, Nevada.

Blair City, Nebraska, is happy in the practice of economy; it is to be exempted from city taxes for the centennial year, there being money enough in the municipal cash box to cover estimated city expenses for the next twelve months.

An English revivalist, to show the way people backslid from grace, and down the banisters of the pulpit.

The Omaha Herald thus remarks on the professed poverty of Winslow the forger: "Winslow says he is too poor to employ counsel. That settles him. If he had only said that he had money enough to buy a jury there would have been some compassion for him, but a man who steals at wholesale and has nothing to show for it is a 22 carat fraud."

The Omaha Re-claims that competency is not required in a candidate for the surveyor-generalship, as not a single surveyor-general in the United States is a practical surveyor.

The London Sporting Times says James Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, was willing to pay Prince Bathany any 12,000 guineas for the Derby winner, Galop, but would not agree to the Prince's proviso that the horse should not leave England.

Nantucket is said to be filled with humanity and the rate of ten young ladies to one young gentleman, and that consequently the young gentlemen are far more "sassy" than the young ladies are.

The Richmond Enquirer puts up three R's for the democratic platform—Reconciliation, Retrenchment, and Reform. All three are abundantly necessary.

Pere Hyacinthe is coming to America to defend marriage. A man who has been a Roman Catholic celibate half his life, ought to have something to say in favor of matrimony, now that he has gone and committed it in propria persona.

Baltimore has recently been rejoicing in a "city council dead lock."

In violation of law, Watson, a St. Paul school teacher, has been in the habit of opening her school with prayer, and the board of education had to persuade her to stop praying at home.

Chas. Morris, the actress, is suffering from dyspepsia and spinal disease, and has had to cancel her present engagements.

There is such a diversity of laws regarding marriage in the various States of the Union that the question is becoming important: "Who is married and who is not?" Those who are married ought to know it. If they don't they can ask mother-in-law.

HOW THEY AGREE TO DIFFER ABOUT IT—WHAT THE POLLICIANS WANT NOW.

This is the way the Omaha Re-puts the conflict of opinion as regards the value and expediency of woman suffrage in Nebraska.

"The diversity of opinions on the efficacy of woman suffrage as a means of relief from political corruption and oppression, is ludicrous."

By Illustrated by a contrast of the claims of the advocates of woman suffrage, and the opponents of woman suffrage. While the woman suffragists of the Union, and Anna Dickinson school denounced Mormonism as an oppressive and tyrannical system over helpless women, and advocate woman suffrage as a means of relief, the political opponents of Mormonism claim the reason for continued Mormon victories at elections in Salt Lake City is because the Mormon women are allowed the privilege of the ballot box.

We may add that before the women of this Territory have suffrage, the politicians too had the idea that it would be a grand thing towards the "explosion" of "Mormonism." But as woman suffrage does not bring on that much-desired explosion, nor help it, the politicians have changed their minds on the subject. Now their pet hobby and bright particular notion is to disfranchise the "Mormons," male and female. This politicians conclude that such a rule is the only thing that will enable them to outvote the "Mormons" at the polls.

By Telegraph.

THE DESPATCH TELEGRAPH LINE.

Last Night's Despatches.

EASTERN.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 29, 1876. The Times, to-morrow, will publish on the authority of men who have been engaged in frontier trading for the past 18 years, some very interesting facts connected with the business of the States that Dr. Peck, brother of the President, has been interested with Belknap in disposing of trading posts for money. Grant, after the appointment of Belknap as Secretary of War, visited most of the posts on the frontier, and cancelled all the licenses issued by Secretary Ramsey. Dr. Peck, an extensive government freighter of merchandise on the frontier, held the principal trading office at this time, and was astonished at the unexpected change. Mr. Peck investigated the matter and found that Dr. Peck had full authority to dispose of all the trading posts as he thought fit. Peck applied to Grant for authority to retain certain posts where his firm had invested large sums of money in buildings and goods, and he would agree to be only on terms of so much cash down and a certain share of the profits, practically the same arrangement that existed between Grant and Evans & Co. at Fort Belknap. Peck refused these terms, and others received the appointments at Fort Belknap and Fort Peck. A. G. Leighton was appointed at Fort Peck, and the latter agreed to buy, but Leighton had first to obtain permission to sell from Grant; this Grant refused, and made Leighton sell to Leighton. The Ft. Sully trading post was taken from Durfee and Peck, and given to John A. Atchey. Atchey, after the manner, he had to get the post, and was obliged to make terms with Durfee & Peck to run it; the latter firm leased from him and ran on the business for a year, and then the business was turned over to Atchey. Atchey enabled him to run the business himself. Durfee and Peck had the trading post at Fort Sully, but it was given to Evans & Co. Durfee & Peck attempted to carry on the business in opposition to Evans & Co., but the officers of the post were forbidden to give the soldiers orders on any firm but Evans & Co., and they were obliged to abandon the post. Dr. Peck went so far in his opposition to Durfee & Peck that he forfeited his appointments to purchase goods or buildings belonging to that firm. Grant also had an arrangement with the soldiers, by which he controlled many of the Indian trading posts; these he disposed of in the same manner as the soldiers, to the highest bidder. Grant was in the habit of visiting the military posts and Indian trading stations every year, to collect the money due him, and to collect the money due him. He collected the money due him, and for this purpose he had authority from Secretary Belknap, to draw upon any military post for ambulances, teams and such aid as he might require. His authority was generally recognized, and he was greatly feared by all along the frontier. The authority of Dr. Peck's appointments is Dr. Terry, for many years past actively connected with the firm of Durfee and Peck, and who has spent much of his life on the frontier. He says that a congressional committee will open up a rich lead if they will investigate affairs at Ft. Sully.

Captains Ames and Robinson.

With reference to the dispatch of March 3, according to Captain Ames with Captain George T. Robinson in criminal practices while officers in the army, Captain Ames said that although they belonged to the same regiment, they were neither friends nor associates. It appears from official documents, that Ames was tried and dismissed for a charge of desertion, and was preferred charges, and on which was tried within six months thereafter and found guilty and sentenced to be dismissed, cashiered, and imprisoned in the military prison for three years, and fined \$500 dollars each. The military committee of each house, in February, 1874, in their report on the bill authorizing and directing the Secretary of War to give Ames an honorable discharge, if there was nothing in the record to justify the action taken by the court-martial, that the charges were preferred through motives of jealousy and revenge, and the proceedings above that there was a determination on the part of these officers who instigated the prosecution to have Ames dismissed at any cost. The bill which authorized a discharge, came a law, under which he was honorably discharged, with one year's extra pay.

A letter is on file in the War Department, written by Captain T. Robinson, of Baltimore, to Secretary Belknap, on the 2nd of April, 1875, while the findings of the court martial in his case, and its recommendation of a discharge, and the accounts of his military record, and pay accounts, were being prepared before the Department. In his letter Robinson wrote that he had heard J. S. Evans & Co., post traders at Fort Sully, assert that they had paid money for General Belknap's benefit, and that he was at that time, April 21, 1875, preparing charges against them for malicious slander of the Secretary of War, and that he had heard J. S. Evans & Co., post traders at Fort Sully, assert that they had paid money for General Belknap's benefit, and that he was at that time, April 21, 1875, preparing charges against them for malicious slander of the Secretary of War, and that he had heard J. S. 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