OUR WESTERN EXCHANGES.

Arrest of the Navajos Chief in Arizona.

A BRUTAL STABBING AFFRAY IN SAN DIEGO.

A View on Nevada's Statehood.—Twelve Thousand Dollars in Greenbacks Found in a Piano Stool.

Deseret News—Flagstaff, Ariz., July 14.—Sheriff Francis arrived here at 8 o'clock tonight, having with him the Navajo chief who was leading the band in their raid on the cattlemen, and he stated to the *News* correspondent that he has grave fears for the safety of his posse, who are surrounded by the Indians, and he has asked all citizens who can to organize immediately and to start at once to their assistance. Every horse and all the firearms in this neighborhood have been secured by company C, who go as citizens, besides thirty volunteers, within an hour. United States Marshal Brown has telegraphed to Fort Whipple for assistance. When Sheriff Francis arrived at Canyon Diablo more than 100 Indians were in pursuit of him, and he would never have reached this place with his prisoner had he not boarded a train at that place. The Indians were determined to rescue their chief at any cost. United States Marshal Brown says that the Indians are in a terrible rage at the arrest of their leader and that they will in all probability come to this place and endeavor to rescue the chief. It is well known that there are 1000 Navajo Indians within thirty miles of this town. The people who are here will sleep but little tonight, nearly every family having one of its members among the volunteers who have gone out. The sheriff secured the chief while he was quietly riding on his pony, a short distance from his band, and made a hasty retreat, leaving his posse on the field. The nearest railroad station was Canon Diablo, a distance of twenty-five miles, and when he arrived at that place, the Indians were pursuing him, but was not within shooting distance. The arrest was made on Rodono's ranch, thirty miles from this place, but owing to the danger of bringing the prisoner over the trail to this point, he started for Canon Diablo.

Sacramento Bee—San Diego, July 14. Trampuline Gonzales, who was discharged from the Mexican army about a month ago, was found dead in the street at Ensenada about midnight Sunday. He had been stabbed in the back and in the neck four times, the knife in two instances entering the body to a depth of seven inches. The wounds were undoubtedly made by the genuine Mexican stiletto. Two Mexican women were found whose clothing was cut almost to shreds and whose bodies bore knife wounds. They were arrested and jailed. It is thought they became jealous of each other, and during a duel with knives Gonzales took the part of one of them. The other, frenzied by this, turned upon her unfortunate lover and stabbed him to death. The women refuse to disclose any particulars of the affair.

Los Angeles Express.—The continued existence of Nevada as a State, in view of its ridiculously small population, is a practical absurdity. But there seems to be no way of reducing a State to the rank of a Territory, or of annexing it in whole or in part to a neighboring State, without the consent of its own people. And such consent could not be had. The Nevadans are not numerous, but they are proud of their Statehood, and any proposal to abandon the State government would be exceedingly unpopular over there. In the course of time, the State may take a turn for the better, and grow in population and wealth. But it must be confessed that there is no immediate prospect of such an upward movement.

Sacramento Bee—Winona, (Minn.), July 14.—The very surprising discovery of $12,000 in greenbacks in a piano stool was made here on Saturday night. Several weeks after the tragic death of Lena Weinburg, a year ago, some $12,000 or $15,000 in gold was found between the double bottoms of the trunks which had been in her possession for years. Lena was for thirty years housekeeper for Colonel Cockerill at the Huff House, having taken her own life, after the closing of the hotel, by setting fire to her clothing. E. A. Greditzen has been settling up her estate, and not until a few months ago were any of the heirs heard from. Lena had some household furniture which Mr. Greditzen was preparing to sell, and among which was this piano stool. It is thought that Lena had been purloining from Col. Cockerill's earnings during her employment, and the Colonel will institute a claim for a portion of the money. Her heirs live in Germany.

A Matter of Residence.

Colonel Ingersoll tells this story: A few years ago a fellow from Massachusetts was down in South Carolina, and as he walked along the street, after he had been there some time, there was an old fellow nailing a sign upon his house, "For Sail," and this Massachusetts fellow looked at the old man and said, "That isn't the way to spell sale." And the old fellow, with a great deal of contempt, turned to him and said:

"How long have you lived in Charleston?"

"Well," he says, "I have been here about a year."

"Well, young man," said the Charlestonian, "I was born here; I guess I know how to spell sale."

There is nothing so beautiful as confidence in the place where you reside.—Helena Independent.

Hardening Steel.

The successful manufacture of hardened chrome steel armor piercing projectiles having only small cavities is held by Sir Frederick Abel to be a remarkable illustration of the control which has been acquired over the treatment of steel, to which an exceptional degree of hardness may be imparted without detriment to tenacity.—New York Times.

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SCRUB BEEF CATTLE.

A Day of Reckoning for Breeders of Deteriorated Stock.

There is surely a day of reckoning at hand in this matter of beef cattle supplies. From all over the great breeding grounds comes the same testimony as to the deterioration of the ordinary farm and ranch cattle following the general neglect in the matter of maintaining a sufficient number of well bred bulls in service. The gathering of a band of fine stockers or feeders in all the leading feeding states is attended with as much difficulty as to demonstrate thoroughly the extent of the ground lost during the past five years in the matter of good breeding.

The appearance of the cattle in the pens at all leading yards supplies a sad commentary upon the results of the long continued depression in beef cattle values from which we at last seem fairly emerging. We had hoped to be able to record a substantial hardening in prices commanded by pedigreed animals of the various beef breeds at the spring sales, but either one of two things is evident, the breeders of pure bred cattle who have put their stock upon the market have, as a rule, either offered a class of cattle not possessing sufficient merit to warrant the payment of good prices, or there is to be a lagging demand for pedigreed cattle until the beef market is known to have registered permanent improvement.

Probably the truth of the matter will be found to rest upon both these grounds. Sharing in the general discouragement of the masses, the owners of many pedigreed herds have been remiss in their attention to the quality of their stock. The herd in such case—especially in a season where feed has been scarce and high—is certain to lose character, and when the public is asked to set a valuation upon the animals at public "cry," there have naturally been some extremely low averages recorded.

In other cases, even where the quality of the offerings has been good, distrust as to the future has apparently stricken those in attendance with such a panicky feeling that really fine cattle have been ruthlessly slaughtered, but those who retain their interest in the trade and who have held closely to the principal in their breeding operations are not dispirited. Bull buyers may not be as numerous as might be desired and may in some cases be insisting upon what seem like ruinous prices, but the fault in very many instances is quite as much with the bulls as with the buyers. For the pedigreed scrub there is certainly no demand. For this let us be duly thankful.—Breeder's Gazette.

That General Purpose Horse.

The arguments already brought to bear lead conclusively to prove that what can fairly be called a general purpose stallion does not exist. If that is so then breeders must try along a different road for the materials required to fulfill their ideal. All experience leads to the indication that a fine bred sire put to a suitable mare will do. If the mare is a well graded Shire or Clyde it may be too great a stretch to put her at once to a thoroughbred English stallion, but it is the opinion of many very capable men that a cross of the general purpose mare and such a sire would produce a clever, wiry and long lived general purpose colt. It is a fact that the average heavy draft horse is not nearly so long lived as one of lighter build and warmer blood. If a heavy draught team is driven home from the elevator at a six mile gait, it is very liable to colic and other sudden forms of disorder.

Others would prefer putting the general purpose mare to a Cleveland bay or French coach horse. As a rule it will be found that a moderately heavy general purpose filly should be started with a warm blooded horse not too young. The influence of first contact with such a sire will tell on subsequent matings with heavier sires and put more fire into their offspring.—Nor' West Farmer.

Fancy Poultry.

Why bless you! the fancy poultry business is just the same as the fancy cattle craze or the dog craze; $500 for a bird may seem a large sum, but no more than $50,000 for a cow or $5,000 for a dog. Besides, a fancier who has an extra valuable bird on exhibition may put on a prohibitory price even if he doesn't win a premium. It is worth the price placed on its head to the breeder.

The price on a bird is no criterion of its value as a show bird. A prize show bird is frequently apt to be a poor breeder. It is the aim of every fancier to produce an ideal show bird, but in all parti-colored birds the ideal birds are not always mated together for the best results, and a breeding yard is quite different from an exhibition pen.

The economic qualities of a thoroughbred fowl, while desirable, are not considered of any surpassing importance by the genuine fancier. The latter wants the symmetry and the plumage first, last and all the time. This is an art that no mechanical tuition will enable a man to acquire, but it requires the inborn love and peculiar knack, or call it genius if you like, of the natural fancier.

Such as the latter will seldom part with a bird simply for the money it may bring. A true fancier is often a most liberal and generous man, and it is safe to say that some men give away more birds than they sell.—Fancier's Journal.

Brother and Sister.

George—Who is that pretty girl you stopped to talk to?
Jack—She's nobody. Just my sister.
George—I wish you would introduce me to her.
Jack—No use. She wouldn't consider you fit to associate with.
George—Eh? Why not?
Jack—She's seen you with me.—Good News.

New Use for the Electric Light.

Some of the new conditions to which the use of the electric light gives rise have a grotesque phase. In a town in Connecticut a new industry has sprung up. It appears that the strong light of the arc lamps has the effect of attracting worms out of the earth. An ingenious boy conceived the idea of turning this peculiar phenomenon to account, and scooping up the worms into a bucket nightly, he started a trade with the local fishermen for the bait which they are always glad to get. The youngster was in a fair way to fortune when the secret of his quiet little business was discovered, and now groups of boys with tin cans can be seen every night at work under the electric lights in the development of this new branch of commerce.—New York Commercial Ad-

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