

THE INDIAN MOVEMENT.

PINE RIDGE, Jan. 19.—More nervousness was noticeable among the Indians this morning than for a number of days. This was occasioned by a variety of circumstances. Many Rosebud Indians fear to leave this agency, lest on their way to the former place they will be killed by soldiers. Some of them, however, have already returned and more will follow today. The collection of arms is anything but satisfactory, only 104 guns having been surrendered up to date.

The news of the murder of Few Tails and four of his band also tends to influence the Indians here. The shooting is universally condemned as a cold-blooded murder. This morning the Indians rounded up their ponies and herded them near their village, while the Indians themselves hang around the tepees and silently watch the agency. General Miles, who is annoyed at this, has put off indefinitely the date of his departure.

Colonel Shafter last night broke up three gambling dens and destroyed the furniture. The commanders of the several camps had a conference with General Miles at 1 o'clock today, having been specially summoned for the purpose.

This afternoon one of the Indian police discovered the bodies of four dead Indians in the creek of Wounded Knee, a boy, two girls and an old squaw. They were evidently victims of the Wounded Knee battle.

A meeting of the commanders of the various detachments of troops was held to decide upon certain tactical movements and at the same time the general situation was canvassed. The uneasiness noted among the Indians in the morning rather died away this afternoon and Two Strikes came in with thirty of his men and delivered up twenty guns, mostly of an obsolete pattern.

The uneasiness among the Indians today was caused by news of the killing of Few Tails and his party, told in yesterday's dispatches, they being finally convinced that he was massacred without reason. On account of the bad effect on the young bucks, General Miles has ordered forage for twenty days longer and will himself remain here until everything is quieted down.

The band of Cheyennes will start tomorrow for Tongue River, permission having been received from Washington. General Miles hopes he will ultimately be permitted to separate the hostiles and send them to the agency where they belong.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Senator Sanders today introduced a bill making it an offense punishable by fine and imprisonment for any person to sell or lend firearms and ammunition to Indians.

PINE RIDGE, Jan. 21.—This morning all troops with the exception of the First Infantry broke up from camp and moved to the banks of Craven Creek about four miles south of the agency. The redskins were at a loss to understand the move. Not a few of them looked upon it with apprehension and have accordingly doubled their pickets.

RIVER FALLS, Minn., Jan. 20.—Excitement prevails here over the re-

port that the Red Lane Chippewas are preparing for an outbreak.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The House committee on Indian affairs has nearly completed the appropriation bill. It carries \$6,950,000, an increase of \$207,233 over the current year.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Henry Guy Carleton has just returned from Washington, whither he went on behalf of the New York *World* to investigate the cause of the recent Indian war. He was given data and looked into the matter thoroughly. Carleton finds that the Government has not kept faith with the red man and that the savages, notwithstanding the treaties made when they ceded their lands, were actually starved, which Carleton concludes was ample justification for them going on the war-path. After saying that Congress cut down the appropriation for "subsistence and civilization," from \$1,000,000 to \$900,000, when it should not have been done, the investigator remarks: "I am positively informed by a high authority in the war department that a very recent army investigation at Pine Ridge shows that at the time the uprising occurred the following was the issue made by the agent to every Indian family of seven persons, the issue to last thirty days. One beef, on hoof and subject to 40 per cent. loss, 110 pounds; flour, 50; coffee, 2; sugar, (sometimes) 5. Allowing sixty-four pounds at the weight of wet beef, the ration was actually less than five ounces of beef and four ounces of flour per day to each Indian. Is not this starvation? Is this a fulfillment of the treaty calling for twenty-four ounces of beef and sixteen ounces of breadstuff per diem? Congress reduced the whole appropriation about 10 per cent. The Indian department promptly cuts the food supply down 80 per cent."

OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—The Indian agent at Blackfoot reservation writes, under date of January 17th, that news is given him by a Blackfoot just returned from the Blood reserve, that two runners arrived there to find out if, in case there was a general uprising, the Bloods would assist the Dakota Indians, or, in case of the defeat of the Indians there, they could depend upon them for assistance.

One runner was "Running Martin," formerly a scout of Fort Assinaboine. After a council he returned to the South Piegaus, telling the Bloods that if the agent questioned them to say they were perfectly satisfied, and in the meantime to sell their horses and lay in a good stock of ammunition, and if everything turned out as they expected in the United States, word would be sent when to meet for a general massacre, the place of meeting to be near Fort Walsh.

Upon receipt of this information the department took prompt steps to quell any demonstrations, and if any runners from the Union Pacific cross the boundary they will be promptly arrested.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—Frank J. Curtin, purser of the steamer *Umatilla*, which runs between San Francisco and Puget Sound, shot himself while on board the steamer last night. A woman is said to be the cause.

THE NIHILISTS OF RUSSIA.

Notwithstanding the assertions that the nihilists of Russia have been suppressed, they seem to have regained more than their former activity and daring. Reports which the Russian newspapers dare not publish show the terrible vengeance which the nihilists secretly inflict upon real or suspected traitors to their cause. Recently a titled lady of wealth, Madame Kertchhoff, was found murdered in her palace, and when the act was discovered there was no trace of robbery, not an article of value having been disturbed. All the attending circumstances indicated the vengeance of the nihilists, with whom she was suspected by the police of having had some connection. Another case is that of the murder of a captain of the secret police near Kiev. The victim was found still alive, bound to a tree, and horribly mutilated. On his breast was a piece of paper, with the words: "A spy punished by the defenders of Russia." Affairs of this kind increasing in frequency are causing much anxiety in Russia, as they are believed to indicate the existence of an extensively ramified conspiracy of nihilists. Occasionally the police are rewarded by the discovery of the clue to an intrigue; and this is followed by numerous arrests and banishments to Siberia. The most active colporteurs of nihilism are educated and tenderly reared young women, who in their enthusiasm and in their hatred of Russian despotism take every risk. If detected in propagating the doctrines of nihilism, or in any other act that a jealous government may regard as hostile to its stability, they know that death or long exile or imprisonment is inevitable. But fanatical zeal and exaltation of spirit render them indifferent to consequences. Next to these young women, the students in the great Russian universities are objects of the keenest vigilance on the part of the secret police. It is impossible to prevent the students from imbibing a spirit of liberty and an aspiration for a liberal government for Russia. Since they can not agitate or discuss above a whisper questions or political and social reform, nothing is more natural than that they should organize secret conspiracies for the accomplishment of their ends. In a government like Russia secret conspiracy for its overthrow is laudable and patriotic. From occasional evidence that comes to the surface there is reason to believe that the army and the civil service of Russia are hounded with nihilism. With so many elements of combustion in Russia it would not be surprising if at an early day its despotic government should be swept away by a revolution more terrible than that which destroyed the French monarchy in 1789.—*Philadelphia Record*.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 24.—The shooting of Mrs. W. J. Faulk by her husband yesterday in a fit of religious enthusiasm has resulted in a warrant for one George Kauff as an accessory before the act. Faulk declares his religious insanity was inspired by the hypnotic influence of Kauff, who claimed to be another Messiah and ordered him to kill his wife.