

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is said that, owing to the Hilton-Seligman affair, the Rothschilds are inclined to refuse to do further business with the United States Government. What, refuse to do business with this land of liberty because of the religious intolerance herein displayed? What next?

Charles Nordhoff, Washington correspondent of the New York Herald, telegraphs to that paper that "it can be positively stated that the whole force of the Government is to be exerted toward the acquisition of the northern States of Mexico." Some people think this is only one of the latest Herald sensations.

A violent hurricane did considerable damage in Barry and Cass Counties, Nebraska, last Wednesday night. Houses were demolished, the Methodist Church at Fairview was destroyed, barns and warehouses were blown down, several persons and some horses were injured and a herd of cattle was blown into Walnut Creek and drowned. Two children at Cedar Creek were carried by the blast about a hundred feet and dropped unhurt into a ditch. Don't complain of Utah mountain zephyrs after such a blow as that.

DRAWING IN ITS HORNS.

The N.Y. Herald of June 20th has another long communication from Washington on "Mormon" affairs, and another editorial touching upon the same matter. But its tone is changed. The Washington correspondent's reasoning and conclusions are all based on "ifs," and the editorial on "probables" and "may-bes."

The reckless charges and venomous denunciations of the past few weeks are lacking, and excess of caution makes both the letter and the leader tame and insipid. The fact is, the Herald fears that in those "Indian accounts" it has only fallen upon a mare's nest, and hence its extreme timidity.

The hunt for vouchers and other documents relating to these accounts has only developed evidence that they were thoroughly investigated years ago and proved just and correct. And the following testimony by the agent of the Government who conducted the inquiry, copied from his report, and which we clip from the N.Y. Herald, shows that there is nothing to be feared by us or gained by our enemies, from the present unearthing of dead and buried doubts as to the genuineness of President Young's settled claims as ex-officio Indian Agent:

"The items of the accounts and the receipts, signed as evidence of payment, were, by myself, exhibited to the witnesses, and their attention was immediately directed to the various items separately. Various experiments were resorted to by myself to test their memory and to detect trifling discrepancies in their being called to testify. Had such been the case I am constrained to say that in a practice of many years at the bar I have no recollection of a single instance in which so many witnesses (testifying, as they often did, in the absence of each other, and without knowing what had been stated) concurred with such precision and exactitude. The manner of these witnesses and the familiarity with which they each alluded to the various occasions and circumstances referred to in the accounts, and their perfect recollection of the persons and articles named and described, could not have failed to convince the most sceptical of the truthfulness of their statements. Although subjected by me to a rigid and searching examination in the nature of a cross-examination, I detected no evasiveness, no equivocation, or efforts to conceal anything. Straightforwardness, candor and apparent conscientiousness characterized those who testified in behalf of Superintendent Young, and whether the same may be said of all who were called in behalf of the United States is respectfully submitted."

It is amusing to notice the drawing in of the Herald's big and threatening horns. From a wholesale slaughter of the "turbulent Mormons," and the hanging of their chief men for crimes which the Herald proved by its own *ipse dixit* or learned opinion, it has dropped its counsels and expectations to a probable suit "through the law courts in Utah," which is to disclose the secret, "whatever it may be," concerning certain vouchers, twenty years old, the chief of which is for the startling sum of \$527.43. This is a terrible shrinkage for the leading sensation journal of the United States of America, and suggests a "powerful weakening" of its anticipations. There is evidently neither gore nor glory for the Herald, and its crusade on Utah will only work injury to itself. The decline of that power in journalism may be dated from its senseless and unscrupulous onslaught upon Brigham Young and the "Mormons." Write it down and see.

TOO STALE.

The best solution of the Mormon problem yet proposed is that of the dividing up of Utah among the adjoining States and Territories. Two contiguous States—Nevada and Colorado—do not to-day contain a sufficient population to justify their admission. Nevada has 90,000 people within its borders, and Colorado has less than 100,000. Territorially, there is no reason why the eastern portion of Utah should not be annexed to Colorado, and the western to Nevada.

The above is from the *Allegany Mail*. The idea is stale and the plan foolish. It has been advanced several times for years as a solution of the "Mormon problem." But sensible men see its fallacy at once. Divide Utah and annex its parts to adjoining States, and what then? The terrible "Mormons" would obtain the advantages that accrue to Statehood, and by their solid vote

and united influence would acquire the balance of power, political and otherwise in two States or more, as the case might be, instead of lingering in now in a condition of territorial vassalage.

Oh yes, go on with your "division," gentlemen. It would be like drawing a line through the ocean. You might mark certain boundaries, but the waters would be virtually the same. You might imagine you had split the people in twain, but their unity would be untouched. You might give two States the job of solving the "Mormon problem," and they would most likely attain solution themselves, being absorbed into the preponderant element whose force would be its cohesion and tenacity.

If the *Allegany Mail* wishes to try its hand at problem-solving it should advance something new and a little more feasible. The division plan is rusty with age and neglect; it has been cast aside labelled "of no use."

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Last Night's Dispatches.

WESTERN.

The Indian Outbreak—The Excitement Subsidizing.

SAN FRANCISCO, 25.—Portland dispatch, received this morning from Lewiston via Walla Walla, has news from Joseph Camp to the effect that all the Indian women, children, and property have been removed across Salmon River, leaving the men free to operate. It is reported the Indians intend to raid upon the settlements in Walla Walla valley.

In the late fight seventy Indians were engaged, and the casualties were four wounded, one perhaps fatally. This news is obtained from a reliable Indian who came directly from the camp, and is corroborated by the news brought in by whites.

The troops will move early in the morning from the post, commanded by General Howard in person. A. L. Page, with his company of twenty-five volunteers will go with the troops.

We do not hear of any more settlers being massacred. The soldiers who they were killed, their bodies stripped and mutilated. Father Salado came in this morning from mission with the *Coeur de Alene* chief to assure General Howard that his people would remain friendly. The excitement is subsiding, and the settlers are returning to their homes.

The Captain of the "City of San Francisco."

The decision of the United States Inspector of hulls and boilers in the case of the loss of the *City of San Francisco*, has been forwarded to Mr. Bemis, district inspector. It has not been made public as yet, but Captain Waddell has been notified that his certificate as captain in the merchant marine has been suspended for one year. The ground alleged is that he did not use sufficient care while running along that portion of the coast where shoals and dangers are known to exist, although not marked upon the chart. Waddell will appeal from this finding. If approved, and if necessary he will bring the whole matter before Congress.

FOREIGN.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Gortschakoff and Derby.

LONDON, 25.—Commenting on the correspondence between Gortschakoff and Derby, published on Saturday, the *Times* says, frankness has been met by frankness, and the result is the conviction that the war, for which we may hope the speediest termination, ought not to endanger the good relations between England and Russia.

The English Cabinet Objects.

The English cabinet has, after due deliberation, disapproved of Gortschakoff's declaration as to Russia's policy in the eastern war, and the English government has resolved not to allow even a temporary occupation of Constantinople by the Russians.

The Suez Canal Question.

In the House of Commons, Sir Stafford Northcote said, the Foreign answer to England's communication, relating to the Suez Canal, was received by Layard, the British representative at Constantinople, on the 24th. The substance of the answer is that the Porte assents to England's views regarding the free passage of the canal for neutrals, but it cannot allow Russian ships access to the canal, as it is part of the Ottoman Empire. In view of Russia's declaration not to make war upon the canal, England will not take steps for the protection of the canal.

Grant Going to see the Queen.

Gen. Grant will go to Windsor, to-morrow, to see the Queen.

Reconciled.

The Czar and Grand Duke Alexis, after a long disagreement, are now reconciled. The Grand Duke has been raised from Major to General.

FRANCE.

Communists Pardoned—The Elections.

PARIS, 25.—President MacMahon has pardoned 344 more Communists. In the Chamber of Deputies, to-day, Grevy read a decree formally dissolving the Chamber, and intimating that the elections would be held after an interval of two months.

TO-DAY'S DISPATCHES.

EASTERN.

Internal Revenue Receipts.

NEW YORK, 25.—The *Tribune's* Washington special says, the receipts of internal revenue for the fiscal year ending 30th of June, will reach \$118,000,000. Last year they were \$117,000,000. The increase is largely owing to the breaking up of illicit distilling and to the more rigorous collection of the whiskey tax. The estimate of the receipts for the present year was \$120,000,000. This sum, the Commissioner thinks, would have been exceeded by about \$2,000,000 if it had not been for the uncertainty occasioned by the proposition of Congress to reduce the tax on spirits. The manufacturers thus curtailed the production, and withdrew from bond only such quantities as were actually required by the demand. This policy was pursued for two or three months, and resulted in a serious loss to the revenue.

Destruction of Property by Russian.

SPRINGFIELD, 25.—The storm left the wheat lying flat, and did considerable damage.

JACKSONVILLE, 25.—The damage to the wheat in this county by yesterday's storm is estimated at \$2,000,000. A Russian ship was damaged. All the creeks are overflowing and the low lands flooded.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., 25.—The surrounding country suffered severely from the storm, probably 100 houses and buildings were damaged here, and in Urbana the rain fell in torrents and the trees are uprooted by scores.

FAIRBURN, Minn., 25.—The storm completely destroyed the unfinished Methodist church; loss \$7,000. A number of houses and barns were damaged, and the crops are reported heavily damaged.

DES MOINES, Iowa, 25.—The rain fell very heavy, and the outlook for crops is gloomy, but no special damage was done.

KANKAKEE, Ill., 25.—The east-bound express for Cincinnati, three miles north of here, was caught by the wind, yesterday, and the locomotive and cars were thrown from the track into a ditch. Of the fifteen passengers all were more or less bruised, but none seriously injured.

DIXON, Ill., 25.—The storm struck this town at 11 o'clock, yesterday, and did great damage. The fair grounds, with its buildings, fences, stands, trees, sheds, etc., is a complete wreck. The Chicago and North Western windmill, eight feet high, and 20 feet in diameter, was partially destroyed. Many buildings in town were unroofed, the lumber in the yards was scattered, and a few buildings demolished. Trees, three feet high, were twisted and broken off. No lives lost.

LINCOLN, Ill., 25.—The storm, yesterday, damaged all grains. Rye suffered heavily. Nearly every corn field in the vicinity is flooded.

DANVILLE, Ill., 25.—The damage to grain and crops reported very great in this section.

MOBILE, Ill., 25.—Hallstones, the size of hen's eggs, fell yesterday upon here, and great damage to crops is reported.

MAKOMET, Ill., 25.—Reports coming in show that the storm was widespread and disastrous to crops and property.

INDIAN, Iowa, 25.—A number of cattle were killed yesterday, and families were for a time compelled to vacate their basements, fearing the tornado would bring down the houses.

MUSCATINE, Iowa, 25.—Hundreds of trees were snapped like pipe stems by yesterday's storm. Thousands of pounds of grain were shivered by the great hallstones that fell. There was nobody injured.

Orders to Pursue the Indians.

WASHINGTON, 25.—General McDowell has been instructed by General Sherman to have the Indians pursued as fast as possible, and pay no attention whatever to the boundary lines of the different Military Commands, but to punish the Indians wherever they may be caught.

Decision Sustained.

INDIANAPOLIS, 25.—The Supreme Court, to-day, sustained the decision of Judge Roberts, of the Dearborn Circuit Court, in the case of Nelson T. Hood, in which it was held that the divorces are illegal and consequently void.

Grand Army Reunion.

PROVIDENCE, 25.—The Grand Army Reunion began to-day. The visiting bodies were received and entertained by the local veterans. The city is profusely decorated with flags, streamers and bunting.

Gov. Hartman and his council of administration, and posts two and five of Philadelphia; also representatives from New York and New Jersey have arrived.

The Prescott and Slocum posts of this city escorted the visitors to their headquarters at the City Hotel.

The Rhode Island department of the Grand Army was received by the commander-in-chief, Gov. Hartman, and the members of the National Encampment, which is now in session. Major Dyer delivered an address of welcome to the encampment, and after the transaction of some business, an excursion was made down the bay.

WESTERN.

The Indian Fight—The Troops Move.

SAN FRANCISCO, 25.—The following dispatch from a special correspondent, just received from Fort Lupton, dated 24th, via Walla Walla, says, a courier, just come through from General Howard, states that Colonel Perry with his command has joined the General at Morton's Station, on Little Cottonwood, about sixty miles from here. The troops here will start to join them to-morrow. General Howard intends to move to-morrow on Joseph, who is reported to be between Little Salmon and Snake River, at Horse-shoe Bend about twenty-five miles south of Mount Idaho.

FOREIGN.

BRITISH AMERICA.

The Great Calamity.

St. John, N. B., 25.—The parties at the hospital, injured by fire, are doing well. Those still missing are T. O'Leary, Mr. Coughlin, a woman and child, of Smith Street, and Miss Vance.

The aggregate contributions for the sufferers amounts to \$200,000. The total loss is estimated as nearly as possible at about \$200,000. The total insurance about \$7,000,000. The difference between the amounts of the different companies are under-estimated.

The Institute—Visitors Viewing the Wreck.

The Insurance Agents call upon all insured to present their claims immediately for adjustment. Five hundred people came to the Rink, yesterday, asking for food and clothing. Enormous crowds of people are arriving to view the wreck.

GREAT BRITAIN.

London, 25.—A Delabols special says, after three days' fighting there the Russians again fell back.

The Russians have made a second crossing of the Danube at Hirsowa. A force of 15,000 men has passed over, and has effected a junction with the detachments coming from Matchin, and will, to-morrow, march against the Turkish line of defence between Constantinople and Kistendje. The Turks are making great exertions to defend the line along the Trolls wall between Casagova and Kistendje, which has been strengthened by recent reinforcements. Both sides make the usual charges of inhumanity.

Thirteen Turkish shells struck the hospital at Glasgow.

The bombardment of Kars is very severe. The garrison is suffering greatly.

Suleiman Pasha passed the Zetta on Sunday, at Spuz, and is encamped on the plain west of the city.

Belmet All is retiring towards Sinitza.

The Serbian minister of war has ordered out, for early camp drill, the 100,000 men who served in the standing army during 1876 and 1877; also eight battalions of regulars, and the militia officers, hitherto available, are to be taken again into active service.

A Russian ship was damaged. All the creeks are overflowing and the low lands flooded.

Excitement Increasing.

The agitation in Constantinople against Raddi Pasha, minister of war, and all the military authorities, is on the increase. The success in Bulgaria has rather increased the excitement, it being deemed downright folly, almost treason, that to gain successes at a comparatively trifling point should have been so woefully neglected.

The nomination of Raddi Pasha and his command in Asia has contributed to the agitation.

GERMANY.

Berlin, 25.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany, shows a decrease of a million and a half of marks.

TURKEY.

Another Victory.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 25.—Advices from Erzeroum state that M. Khar Pasha has won a great victory, and has taken 1,000 prisoners. A fresh attack by the Russians on Batoum is expected. One thousand Russians capitulated at Bayazid.

EGYPT.

Conspiracy to Blow Up the Suez Canal.

ALEXANDRIA, 25.—The report recently published of a conspiracy to blow up the Suez Canal, was based on false information, but the Khedive is taking effective measures to prevent such an attempt on the land, while sea police is being organized under the command of two English officers.

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