

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

IN TOWN.—William Martin, Esq., of Omaha, General Freight Agent of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, is in town. He has been to California on business connected with the road, and is now en route eastward. Personal business relations with Mr. Martin, as also with Chief Superintendent Hammond and his assistants, has convinced us that the efficiency evinced in the management and control of this great line of railroad is due to the indefatigable diligence and integrity of such officers.

EXPEDITED.—Mr. V. H. Vaughan the new Secretary of Utah Territory, is expected to reach this city this evening.

EN ROUTE FOR CHINA.—Hon. W. H. Seward, ex-Secretary of State, is expected at the terminus, at Ogden to-night, en route for San Francisco and China. He left Omaha on Wednesday afternoon.

AN OLD THEATRICAL FRIEND.—Mr. George B. Waldron, so well and favorably known to the theatre-goers of this city, arrived here this morning, en route for Denver, for which place he leaves to-morrow.

"SHUBERT."—Under this heading a recent number of the New York Star says: "The Rev. Dr. Newman, of Washington, who expected to make a little cheap notoriety by attacking the lion in his den, the BISHOP in his lair, arrived in Salt Lake City and notified Young that he was ready to open the discussion on the divine authority of polygamy. The saint thereupon responded that he never intended or consented to such discussion. The latter shows more gumption than his orthodox opponent. Controversy is the devil's weapon. It makes more skeptics than converts. The expectation that such a controversy would overturn the peculiar tenet of the Mormon religion was as chimerical as would be an attempt to 'dam up the Nile with bull-rushes,' or to bolt a door with a bolted carot."

WAR NEWS.—The war news to-day is more than ordinarily interesting and exciting, and if reliable, the fortune of war has really begun to turn in favor of the French, and they have gained, at least one advantage, in which the Prussians lost sixteen thousand men, a large number of guns, &c. The official confirmation of this news will be eagerly looked for.

PANACCA.—A letter dated St. George, Aug. 11th, received yesterday by Bro. James G. Bleak, now in this city, says: "Bro. George Gould arrived here the evening after you left, from Panacca. He left there the evening previous and reports that, that afternoon the Deputy Sheriff, from Pioche, with three men, went to the co-operative store at Panacca, and demanded from the clerk, a list of the stock of goods, with a view to exact license in behalf of the State of Nevada. They were refused the list by the clerk, and, after drawing and cocking their pistols and pointing them at the clerk and at Bros. Gould, Adams and Lufkin, who were bystanders, they made the brethren leave the store and locked it up, giving the key in charge of one of their party, while the remainder made for home. The brethren were all engaged at the time on their water seat and upon hearing of the affair, collected a 3d armed themselves. They sent the constable to the man who held the key, who gave it up without any remonstrance. The Deputy Sheriff, while at the store, also read a summons from the Justice of the Peace of Pioche, requiring J. W. Morton, as the agent of the co-operative store, to appear at Pioche, on August 11th."

The brethren were advised to stand their ground, and sue a writ of injunction when opportunity offers.

THE BIG HORN EXPEDITION.—The Cheyenne Leader says:

"Another fight between the Sioux and the Crows is reported, as having occurred between the Big and Little Horn rivers. This removes our solitude for the brave white men of the expedition, which must ere this, have reached the heart of that country. It is not reason to expect that the Big Horn expedition will escape encountering the Sioux. The supply of provisions with which the expedition was provided, four months, so that it will be necessary to come out either to the Sweetwater country or by way of Montana. We may expect therefore to hear from them very soon. We hope all is well with them, but cannot repress doubts."

Died.

At Spanish Fork, Utah, Co. of lung fever, August 18, 1870, Susan, wife of Wm. Stewart, and daughter of George and Elizabeth Chisholm, born in the county of Durham, England, aged 31 years and 4 months.

At Pleasant Grove, August 18, 1870, George Byron, son of Asa S. and Mary Hawley, aged 3 years and 4 months.

ARRIVALS at the TOWNSEND HOUSE.

August 19th.
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Geo W Jenkins, "
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Miss Parker, "
Mrs Capt Henshaw, Ottawa, Ill.
Mrs O G Wilson, Cayenne
P S Wilson, "
Wm Gilbert, Ogden
Horace Wines, "
H A Johnson, New York
F B Smith, New York
T J Leacock, New York
T Kershaw, Mississippi
O O Rly, New Jersey.
A F Sherrill, Omaha
Edgar Zabriskie, New York
George R Smith, Omaha
L S Eomer, wife and daughter, Chicago
L S Eomer, "
Miss Lowrey, "
Wm B Eomer, "
F Hawley, "
Willis Hawley, "

August 20th.
J Woolverton, South Bend, Ind.
W S Munson, "
W F Wells, San Francisco
J Z Smith, St. Louis
Capt J H Freeman and wife, San Francisco
R F Hawley, "
H A Phillips and wife, New York
Weymo O Karasaka, "
Maritima Gon-no-Kami, "
and one servant
Mr an M's Carrell, Japan
J Baudin, "
D Baudin, "
Mr Klagsberg, "
F A de la Spain, "
A Seward and one child, Manila
R F Hawley, China
Mrs R F Hawley, "

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AFTERNOON DISPATCHES.

NEW YORK.

Drunkards disturb temperance folks.
New York.—M. Gaillardet telegraphs that no mention is made of a decided victory by the French; that Bazaine is attempting to stave off a battle until reaching Châlons, where he can be joined by reinforcements. He says our forces are retreating in three columns, so that as fast as one is attacked the others go to its assistance, and having repulsed the enemy, then move on again. Five battles have been fought since the fourteenth, and five times we have repulsed the enemy. We securely hold Strasbourg, Pilsburg and Thionville. McMahon is at Vitry le France. A temperance picnic, at Morrisania, was disturbed, yesterday, by a crowd, under the influence of liquor, and two men were severely beaten, one named Rodgers, dangerously.

FOREIGN NEWS.

FRANCE.

The Prussians repulsed—Important to Catholics only—A French victory at last—Prussians repulsed—No peace as long as a Prussian remains on French soil—Recruits for the army.

PARIS, 19.—It is noticeable that crowds of excited people no longer surround the hall of the Corps-Législatif, and the ordinary quiet of the city is fully restored.

The Prince D'Auvergne has taken possession of the ministry of foreign affairs, and is organizing a corps of sharpshooters, which is becoming very numerous, and will do good service. Prince Napoleon is with the army at Châlons.

Men arrive here from the provinces daily by thousands; they are fine men, and need only a few days' drilling to make good soldiers.

The following official dispatch from Marshal Bazaine has been made public:

"VERDUN, Aug. 17.—At three o'clock, this, Wednesday morning, the army of Prince Frederick Charles commenced a sharp attack on the right of our position; the cavalry division of Gen. Fortin, and the second corps under Gen. Frossard, made a firm resistance; the division of another corps, which were on the right and left of Rezonville came up successively, and went into action, which lasted till night. The enemy displayed considerable force and made repeated efforts to resume the offensive, but were vigorously repulsed. A fresh corps endeavored to turn our left; but we have everywhere held our positions, and inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Our loss is serious. Gen. Balisle was wounded in the heat of the action. A regiment of Uhlans charged on the staff of Bazaine, and twenty of the Marshal's escort were placed hors du combat. The Captain commanding the escort was killed. At eight o'clock the enemy was driven back along his entire lines. It is estimated that 120,000 Prussians were engaged.

The Cardinal Antonelli has addressed a letter to the Pope, in which he has said that some bishops think that the apostolic constitution, including the dogma of infallibility proclaimed by the Ecumenical Council, on July the 18th, is not obligatory upon the church, so long as it is not published solemnly and officially by the Pope. The Cardinal says every one should understand that this view is an error. The constitution was duly promulgated, and the Pope confirmed it and it was advertised in the usual manner and is binding upon the whole Catholic world without further notice.

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La Liberté publishes a leader urging reprisals. It says the Prussians, without pity, shoot peasants and heavily tax the population; they war like savages. Without imitating them, let us do what the laws of war permit. Let our ships be taken, Hamburg, Lubeck, Danzig, Koenigsberg and along the whole coast make requisitions of all kinds; let no time be lost. We must treat the enemy as we are treated.

The journals refute the accusation of the Prussians that the French troops fire upon their ambulances in violation of the convention of Geneva.

The authorities have taken 15,000 more horses from the omnibus company, which has lost most of its conductors, who have gone into the Grande Armée. The Gaulois says the most important members of the Left have held a meeting, and have decided that the government be advised that it must make no mention of peace so long as a single Prussian is on French territory, and not then even can the war cease at once. The Prussians driven away France must combine with all Europe to obtain such a guarantee as will insure the future.

The Paris journals are bitterly hostile to the London Times. The Gaulois says the following particulars were communicated by an eyewitness, belonging to a regiment of chasseurs: "The Emperor left Metz, with the advance guard, on Sunday last, for Verdun. On that day there was a bloody and protracted fight, the Prussian army being repulsed by our troops and losing from 16,000 to 18,000 men. Nearly all their cannon fell into our hands. The guns of Fort St. Quentin played an important part in this battle, and with terrible effect."

GREAT BRITAIN.

Further revelations on Napoleon's policy—Interesting letters between the Pope and King William.

LONDON 19.—The German and Hungarian Monthly gives further revelations of French policy toward Prussia and the North German Confederation, viz: In certain propositions made at Pilsbourg, in 1867, by Napoleon to Bismarck, the Austrian Prime Minister the Emperor offered to sustain Austria in demanding a literal fulfillment of the treaty of Prague, and insisting that any alliance of Prussia with the South German states should be considered a

violation of the compact. The Prussians were to be required to evacuate Mayence and Heppenheim, and the country north of the river Rhine was to go with that south of it. A Zollverein of the South German States was to be established, and war to be declared if Denmark to compel Prussia to do justice to Denmark in the matter of Schleswig Holstein.

English ships in the Baltic are to be obliged to show their flags and papers at the summons of French cruisers.

The following letter has been addressed by the Pope to the King of Prussia: "Your Majesty:—In the present grave circumstances, it may appear an unusual thing to receive a letter from me, but as a vicar of the earth for God a peace, I cannot do less than offer my mediation. It is my desire to witness the cessation of warlike preparation and stop the evils which are the inevitable consequences of war. My meditation is that of a sovereign whose small domain excites no jealousy, but who inspires confidence by the moral and religious influence he personifies. May God lend ear to my wishes, and listen also to these I form for your Majesty, to whom I would be united in the bonds of charity! Given at the Vatican, July 22nd, 1870. (Signed) PIUS."

The postscript adds: "I have written identically to the Emperor."

The King's reply is as follows: "Most August Pontiff, I am not surprised, but profoundly moved at the touching words traced by your hand; it is your cause that the voice of God and peace be heard. How could my heart refuse to listen to so powerful an appeal! God witnesses that neither I nor my people desired or provoked war, but obeying the sacred duties which God imposes on sovereigns and nations, we took up the sword to defend the independence and honor of our country, ready to lay it down when those treasures are secured. If your Holiness could offer me, from him who so unexpectedly declared war, assurances of a sincerely pacific disposition, and guarantees against a similar attempt upon the peace and tranquility of Europe, it certainly will not be I who will refuse to receive them from your venerable hands. I am with you in bonds of united friendship. (Signed) WILLIAM."

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