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[Special to the DESERET NEWS.]

By Telegraph.

Malad City, 116 miles north of  
G. S. L. City, 9.

P. W. McManus, recently from Salmon River, and a member of the last Montana legislature, accidentally shot himself with his own revolver, at Marsh Valley station, 18 miles north of here, on the evening of August 6th, and died on the 8th.

New York, 6.  
The resignation of Stanton has been looked for more than a year. A letter from the President was written to him some time ago, asking his resignation, but it was withheld until to-day, in hopes that Stanton would voluntarily send in his resignation. Stanton has been run down with visitors most of the day, and is preparing a written response to the President's note.

A Times special insists that the President did know of the recommendation for mercy to Mrs. Surratt, previous to the execution.

Louisville, 5.  
The State election so far as heard from, passed off quietly. The democratic majority is variously estimated at 45,000; the legislature will be  $\frac{2}{3}$  democratic; Helm, the regular democratic candidate for Governor, beats both opponents by 33,000.

St. Petersburg, 5.  
Accounts from the Russian grain crops are extremely favorable, and indicate a very heavy yield and an immense surplus for exportation.

London, 5.  
The reform meeting in Hyde Park to-day was a failure.

St. Louis, 6.  
A Fort Hayes special says Capt. Armes, with 50 men, overtook the Indians, who had also murdered seven men yesterday, near Salina River and fought them 8 hours; the Indians were 800 strong; they had two white deserters for leaders. We lost one man killed and Capt. Armes wounded; 5 savages were slain. The Indians escaped with the stolen stock; they were all armed with rifles.

Large bodies of Indians appeared near the Fort this morning; there is only a corporal's guard of troops in this region; the Government will have to take some action or give up the plains entirely. The sergeant and 30 men, who went out yesterday, report that Armes is still absent; there is much uneasiness felt about them. Another account says that Armes found the Indians too strong and fell back, with 6 or 8 men wounded. It is also reported that Ft. Hayes will be abandoned, unless more troops are sent there.

The Indian Commissioners, recently appointed, arrived to-day and held an informal meeting; nothing of importance was done.

Florence, 6.  
Garibaldi has come to the conclusion, considering all the circumstances, that is best to abandon for the present the movement against Rome.

Another twenty-five mile section of the Union Pacific Railroad, Kansas branch, has been accepted.

London, 6.  
Advice from Abyssinia report the re-

lease of the British subjects lately held as hostages by the King.

In the House of Lords the reform bill was read the third time and passed.

Washington, 6.  
It is understood that Stanton has declined the President's request for him to resign, saying that he will continue in his position till the ensuing meeting of Congress.

St. Louis, 7.  
At the preliminary meeting of the Indian Commissioners yesterday, Col. Taylor was elected permanent President.

A meeting of the Indians is not contemplated to take place until September; in the meantime the Board expect to examine the western country with a view to select reservations for the hostile tribes, and also with the further view of domiciliating, if possible, all the tribes west of the Mississippi River, both hostile and friendly.

New York, 7.  
The report of the Commissioners of emigration, relative to the deaths by cholera on board an Austrian ship, says that the bread was mouldy and disgusting; there was neither tea nor sugar aboard, the potatoes were insufficient in quantity, and the treatment of the passengers was most shocking.

Havana advices, Aug. 3, state that the yellow fever is beginning to attack the natives.

The Tribune publishes Butler's report as a Commissioner for the exchange of prisoners, which has an order from Gen. Grant, issued in August, as follows: It is hard on our men to be held in southern prisons and not to exchange them, but is humanity to those left in the ranks to fight our battles. Every man released on parole or otherwise becomes an active soldier against us, if we commence the system of exchange which liberates all prisoners taken to fight on until the south is exterminated, but if we hold those caught they amount to no more than dead men. At this particular time, to release rebel prisoners would insure Sherman's death and compromise our safety here.

Washington, 7.  
Judge Fisher charged the jury in the Surratt trial at length to-day; the jury retired to their rooms at 11-30.

The War Department has issued an order that hereafter mileage will be computed by the shortest route usually traveled; mileage will be paid by the Isthmus routes from stations west of the Rocky Mountains.

The following is the correct text of the recent correspondence between the President and the Secretary of War:

Executive Mansion, August 5.  
Sir:—Public considerations of a high character constrain me to say that your resignation as Secretary of War will be accepted. [Signed]

Andrew Johnson.

To which Stanton replied:  
Sir:—Your note of this date is received, stating that public considerations of a high character constrain you to say that my resignation will be accepted. In reply, I have the honor to say that public considerations of a high character, which alone have induced me to continue at the head of this Department, constrain me not to resign the office of Secretary of War, before the next meeting of Congress. [Signed]

Stanton.  
No further action has been taken by the President.

New York, 8.  
The President to-day ordered that no communication be held with Stanton as Secretary of War.

The President denies that a recommendation of mercy to Mrs. Surratt was among the papers presented to him by Judge Holt, on the 5th of July, 1865, when the Executive approval of the sentences of those engaged in the assassination was written by Judge Holt and signed by the President.

St. Louis, 8.  
The Indian Commissioners agreed yesterday that Gen. Sherman and Col. Tappan should communicate with the

officers and agents under their control, directing them to send runners to the Indians in their vicinity, to meet the Commissioners at Fort Laramie on the full moon in September, and all the tribes south of the Platte to meet the Commissioners at Fort Larned on the full moon in October. The Board meets at Leavenworth on Monday next, thence to Omaha and from there it will ascend to the highest possible point and confer with all the Indians they can meet, and examine lands for the northern reservation.

Sherman instructs Hancock and Augur to confine their military operations, pending the commissioners, to the protection of the routes of travel and the settlements. He says: Do not invade the country south of the Arkansas River, except in pursuit of parties guilty of hostile acts.

Detroit, 8.  
In the constitutional convention to-day the liquor prohibition clause was carried by 44 to 32.

New York, 8.  
Juarez, in a proclamation, had commuted the capital sentence of all division generals to seven years imprisonment, of brigadier generals to six years and lower officers proportionately.

New Orleans, 8.  
The average interments from yellow fever in Galveston, since Monday, are 8; business is stagnant.

Judge Dougherty, of the 12th district in Texas, has been removed for denying the supremacy of the laws of Congress, stating that he would not obey them when in conflict with the laws of the State.

Berlin, 8.  
The City of Hamburg has agreed to sign the military treaty with Prussia.

Paris, 8.  
The French squadron, which sailed recently for Candia to relieve the suffering families of Cretans, took on board 1,500 refugees, women, children and old men, and conveyed them to a place of safety.

Wilmington, N.C., 8.  
The sheriff and tax collector report great difficulty in collecting the state and county taxes; some parties refuse to pay state taxes, on the ground that the state government has no practical existence.

New York, 9.  
The President practically ignored Secretary Stanton to-day, by addressing a communication to Col. Townsend, A. A. G. of the army, instead of the Secretary of War.

An Omaha dispatch says that last evening Spotted Tail's band of Indians broke up, and part of them crossed the Platte and joined the Cheyennes on the war path. The settlers are fleeing to North Platte, for protection.

The steamer Antelope lies above Ft. Benton, riddled by bullets fired by the Sioux.

A battle took place at Renos Altos, New Mexico, between 40 citizens and 8 soldiers and a large body of Indians; 11 of the latter were killed, 8 prisoners taken a white captive girl released and taken to Ft. Bayard, and the hiding place of the Indians burned.

Havana, 5.  
The steamer Navarre, engaged in laying the cable, has arrived; she started from Key West on the morning of the 3d, and laid two and a half miles of three sizes, buoyed at the ends; the average rate of paying out the cable was four miles an hour.

London, 9.  
The reform bill has been returned from the House of Commons to the House of Lords, and its further consideration is fixed for the 12th.

Philadelphia, 9.  
The boiler in the Acton foundry, North street, exploded this afternoon; one man was killed and two seriously injured.

Havana, 5.  
The Diarro insists that the United States government was a party to the indiscriminate shooting of prisoners in Mexico, and calls for a coalition of the European governments against Ameri-

ca, in order to cause their common rights to be respected.

Louisville, 9.  
Reports from the South are gloomy; the cotton crop on many of the plantations in Louisiana is abandoned; the worm is reported at work to a fearful extent.

London, 9.  
The Government will immediately dispatch a large body of troops to Canada, to repel the threatened Fenian invasion from the United States.

In the House of Lords, last night, the bill abolishing Church rates was rejected by a large majority.

Washington, 9.  
Private letters from Arizona say that the Indians are worse than ever, and are engaged in killing and stealing settler's cattle.

The President continues official relations with Stanton, and will do so as long as he remains the acknowledged head of the War Department.

Bangor, Maine, 9.  
Grover's steamer works and several adjoining buildings were destroyed by fire today; loss \$30,000. Several firemen were injured by overwork.

Concord, N. H., 9.  
Abby Folsom, for many years conspicuous in anti-slavery meetings, died yesterday.

Paris, 9.  
The occupation of three provinces in Cochin China by French troops is confirmed.

New York, 10.  
The State Department, in answer to a request of the House Committee on foreign affairs, reported that upon investigation no case had been found where an American citizen had been tried and convicted in Ireland, for uttering Fenian sentiments in the United States.

London 10.  
By a railroad accident at Brayshead, Wicklow County, Ireland, on the 9th, four passengers were killed and a number dangerously injured.

## Correspondence.

ST. JOSEPH, Muddy,  
July 25, 1867.

EDITOR DESERET NEWS:

The health of the people here is very good. The crops, which have all been secured for some time, have been very abundant, particularly wheat. We have forty acres of cotton, which looks very promising, and by the first of September much of it will be ready to gather.

The spirit of peace and love prevails among the people, and we feel a deep interest in the advancement of our great and common cause. The natives are very friendly and industrious for Indians.

On the 24th at daybreak, the inhabitants were awakened by the firing of musketry. At 9 the militia was called out for drill, by Capt. Thomas Day. At 11 the people assembled in the meeting house, and were called to order by E. Billingsly, Marshal of the day. Singing by the choir. Prayer by the Chaplain. Oration by William D. Kartchner, Orator of the day, and an address by Thomas Day. Singing by the Choir. Dismissed by the Chaplain.

At 1 the people assembled, and partook of a public dinner which would have done credit to much older settlements. Among edibles, as the so-called Irish potatoe has not generally flourished in our southern settlements, we would mention the Meshanic, of which there was an abundance of excellent specimens, some weighing eight ounces. About fifty Indians partook of our hospitality.

During the afternoon there were recitations, dialogues and theatrical pieces, interspersed with comic and sentimental songs.

In the evening the people enjoyed themselves in a social dance.

Thomas Day, James Farmer, D. S. Clement, Committee of Arrangements.