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Arrival of the Northern Light.

The steamship Northern Light, of the Nicaragua line, arrived at New York on Tuesday afternoon. Her dates are the same as those received by the Prometheus, at New Orleans.

Among the passengers is Col. Parker H. French, accredited Minister to the United States, in place of M. Marcoletti, recalled.

Col. French is vested with extraordinary powers, to enable him to settle immediately the difficulties between the United States, England and Nicaragua. He also brings with him the ratification of the new treaty, made by his government with Col. Wheeler U. S. Minister at Granada.

Gen. Cabanas, the President of Honduras arrived in Granada on the 1st inst., with a large number of his principal officers. Great preparations had been made to receive him appropriately. It is reported, and generally believed, that he visits the Government as Embassador from the Republics of San Salvador and Honduras, to propose a union of the three Republics into one confederacy, with Gen Walker at the head.

From California Papers.

The Know Nothings held a State Convention in Sacramento on the 13th, 14th and 15th November, issued a long address to the people, and selected Messrs. Smith, Price, Hood and Brooks to be their delegates to the Know Nothing National Convention, to be held on the 22d February. These delegates are understood to be in favor of Fillmore for President.

The accounts from the mines are generally very flattering. Immense piles of earth have been thrown up in the dry diggins, awaiting the rains to wash out the gold, and now that water is becoming abundant there is no lack of employment for all.

A duel took place on the 16th instant, near this city, between Mons. Derbec, editor of l'Echo du Pacifique, and Mons. De la Chapella, formerly editor of Le Messager. After an exchange of shots, in which no injury resulted to either party, a reconciliation took place.

The Yankee Blade.—The last of the treasure from this ill-fated steamer has been raised by Captain Randall, who is said to have cleared above $80,000 by his diving operations at the wreck.

Discovery of Diamonds.—A few days ago, says the Union Democrat, three diamonds were found in Scorpion Gulch, near Byrne's Ferry and on the sloop of Table Mountain. The claim has for some time been worked for gold, and the diamonds were picked up merely out of curiosity, as pretty pebbles. Upon one of them being exhibited to an eminent jeweller of Sonora, it was pronounced fine, and valued at sixty dollars. The claim is now called the "Diamond Claim," the precious stones will hereafter be saved. The party working the claim think that in washing their dirt they may have lost many valuable diamonds in the tailings, which fall into the river.

The following important intelligence is from an extra of the Yreka Union, dated Nov. 5th:

Captain Pierce communicated the startling intelligence this morning of a pitched battle having been fought at Crow Creek Canyon, Rogue River Valley, on Wednesday last, October 31st, between about three hundred Indians and four hundred regulars and volunteers, under Capt. Smith, U. S. A., of Fort Lane.

The fight commenced at 1 o'clock, P. M., and continued till 10; the Indians retreating all the while, and firing back upon the whites. At length it was deemed necessary that steps be taken to provide for the wounded, and a halt was ordered, when the Indians rallied and commenced firing upon the men, to whom prudence dictated the course of retiring to an open space, where a more effectual stand could be made, which they accordingly did. It was then ascertained that 18 of the Captain's men had been killed, and 15 wounded; some mortally, others dangerously, and a few slightly. A message was then dispatched to Capt. George, at Althouse, who started immediately with 80 volunteer recruits. He would join Captain Smith on Thursday, at an early hour, when it is expected that a renewal of the encounter will take place.

On Thursday last a scouting party of six returned with intelligence that about 250 Indians were in the vicinity of the heads of Antelope and Butte Creeks. Captain Thomas Smith, with about 100 men, immediately started out, and it is feared that a serious encounter would take place. The attack, it was expected, would be made on Saturday or Sunday last. News of the result is hourly expected.

The same "Extra" contains the following:

On Thursday last, (November 1st) a party of sixteen men under Mr. Tupper, of Shasta Valley, fell in with a large body of Indians in the mountains dividing the waters of the Klamath and Shasta rivers. After a brief engagement, and losing one man, the whites were compelled to retreat.

On Friday, a body of Indians were seen crossing Shasta Valley from the neighborhood where the fight occurred, and shaping their course for Scott River, by the mountain trail from Scott to Shasta Valley.

It is rumored that two men, Mr. Snow, of the Klamath River Ferry, opposite Beaver Creek, and a man by the name of Scott, have been killed on the trail leading from the Mountain House of Doty & Doyle to the Klamath River. A party of twenty-five or thirty started from Deadwood yesterday, to look into the matter. These two men left the Mountain House, on Tuesday evening last, for the Ferry. On Saturday, Mr. Doyle went in search of lost animals, and found papers and a machiere belonging to Mr. Snow, cut and torn up and other marks of violence. These circumstances gave rise to the suspicion that both has been killed.

It would appear that there is to be no end to these assassinations by Indians, unless they are removed or exterminated. There was never before known to exist such a universal spirit of hatred and hostility towards the whites on the part of the Indians in Northern California and Oregon. The fact seems clearly proved by the dire intelligence daily received from all quarters—that there is scarcely an Indian to be found between Scott Mountain and Puget Sound, who is not intent upon outrage and murder, whenever an opportunity presents itself.

The Eruption of Hawaii.

According to the following description of the eruption of the volcano of Hawaii, it is becoming terribly dangerous.

Hilo, Oct. 18, 1855.

My Dear Sir—Hawaii still burns. The great furnace on Mauna Loa is in full blast. For sixty-three days the molten flood has rolled down the mountain without abatement. Our Hawaiian atmosphere is loaded with smoke and gasses, through which the sun shines with dingy and yellow rays.

The amount of lava disgorged from this awful magazine is enormous. The higher regions of the mountains are flooded with vast tracts of smoking lava, while the streams which have flowed down the side of the mountain spread over a surface of several miles in breadth. The main stream, including all his windings, must be more than 50 miles long, with an average breadth of 3 miles.

This is still flowing direct for our bay, and is supposed to be within ten miles of us. It is eating its way slowly through the deep forest and the dense jungle in our rear, and its terminus must be the sea, unless the great summit fountain should cease to disgorge.

On the 2d inst. Mr. M'Culley and myself set off to explore the eruption, taking the bed of the stream, the Wailuku river, as our path. We reached the terminal crater in four and a half days, tracing up the fiery stream from the upper skirt of the forest to the summit of the mountain. In the woods we could not follow it, on account of the dense jungle.

The burning stream now runs all the way in a covered duct, so that it can be seen only at its vents, which let off the gas. These are truly fearful. We looked down one of them, and saw the fiery current rushing under us, in some places at the rates of forty knots. We returned via Kilauea, and were absent ten days. What we saw, and heard, and felt, cannot be described.

New England Rum.—The exports of rum from Boston since the first of September last have been 450,000 gallons. The economist says the exportations have also been large from New York, reaching 400,000 gallons in the last three weeks. The price of New England rum, when the Eastern war commenced, was thirty cents a gallon; it is now fifty-two cents, with an activity of demand greater than the ability to supply.—Molasses, in the same period, has risen from twenty-two cents to forty-four cents, and difficult to be got. It is said that an eminent house in Boston took a French government contract for 600,000 gallons New England rum at a price governed by the advance in molasses. The contract is being fulfilled.

Mining News—Operations in Table Mountain.—Although little available means have as yet resulted from the extensive operations in Table Mountain, the positive certainty of the immense wealth buried beneath its rocky ribs has already given a perceptible impetus to business of all kinds in this region. From nearly every possible point it is being penetrated, and human enterprise and ingenuity are busy in devising plans to reach its interior, in order to secure the rich deposits which are to realize "when the water comes." The mountain is a level plateau or table, several hundred feet in width, extending in length at times, almost as far as the eye can reach—an uninterrupted plane. It is almost destitute of timber and thickly covered with rough scoria, which penetrates to various degrees of depth—say from fifty to two hundred feet. Arriving at the termination of this crust the miner has in every instance secured the reward of his toil. Now tunnels are to be seen on every side, and new shafts are being sunk from the summit at innumerable points.

Mann & Co., on the brow of the mountain, after decending 180 feet are taking out the richest ore we have seen in California. By stirring up the dirt with a stick we could pick up scales of gold of the value of 25 cents to $3. The gold is of the same quality as that found in river beds, and all concur in the belief that the lead occupies the bed of an ancient river. Doctor Somers of the Columbia Company, has two shafts in operation, and another in progress. He is taking out dirt the estimated value of which is two ounces to the cart-load.

Huge piles of this valuable dirt are being heaped up in every direction of the "diggings." That of Valentine & Co., is valued at $30,000, Johnson & Co's., $25,000. Simpson & Co's., $35,000; Caldwell's, $75,000; and so on, through numberless artificial mountains of the precious ore. Water is all that is wanted to separate the pure metal from the dirty dross, and when the rain comes we may all feel the benefit of its long-prayed for advent.—Sonora Democrat.

The Sonora Herald is informed that there is hardly a foot of Table Mountain from Shaw's Flat to the Stanislaus river, but is claimed and being worked upon by miners. As many as one hundred tunnels have been started into it, besides the shafts that are being sunk upon it. The lead has been struck and found to be very rich near the river, at a distance of eight miles from Shaw's Flat, where the lead was first found.

River Mining.—Although the diggers in the ravines and hill sides are anxiously and eagerly praying for copious distillations of the aqueous element, the miners in the beds of the streams are quiet as devout in their supplications for a continuance of dry weather. One of this latter class of our mining population, who has been connected with a fluming association on the middle fork of the American river during the present fall, informs us that most of the companies now at work on the drained channels are succeeding beyond all former precedent.

On that tributary, as also along the north fork, he stopped at a dozen different bars on his downward trip, and found every enterprise of this character paying remunerative wages.

The Steep Hill Company, to which our informant belongs, commenced putting in their flume about the 1st of August, and on the 10th of September began to dig in the bed of the river. From that time up to the present the stream has been falling little by little, until now it is now so dry that, as he expresses it, "one can light a match on any rock in the claim." He furthermore says, that in all the leads which he visited there are many rich pockets laid bare for the first time, and in fact there are very few spots where the water presents any obstacles whatever to their thorough exploration.—Below Junction Bar, and immediately contiguous on Oregon Bar, are stretches of smooth deep water, which have also been diverted into artificial channels; and the earth at the bottom found to be highly auriferous.

By the memoranda of the Steep Hill Company it appears that between the 10th of September and the 3d of November, the total proceeds of the labor of seven men amounted to $87,440, and their expenses, including cost of construction of flume, extra hands employed, hose, pumps, and various repairs, $9,200, thus leaving as net profits the sum of $78,240.

There is no doubt that incalculably greater quantities of the precious metal have been dug out of the beds and banks of the mining streams of the State the last summer and present autumn, than during any similar period since the settlement of the country. The number of laborers has been greater, mainly in consequence of the excessive scarcity of water in the dry diggings, and the rivers have been unprecedentedly low. These two causes justify us in the above assertion.

Owing to the thorough working of the river claims this year, it may be reasonably anticipated that mining enterprises and operations of this character will be on a less extensive scale next season than for some years past.—Sacramento Union.

It is not alone in New York that things happen not altogether creditable to the existing state of society. Even Boston affords her share of such incidents. We have had our Poole affray, and in Boston another homicide has happened under circumstances scarcely more creditable to the reputation of that Puritan city.—Some two or three weeks ago the Boston papers published an account of what seemed to be a case of summary but well provoked chastisement inflicted by two injured husbands and brothers-in-law upon two young gallants. Subsequent developments at the police office and in the newspapers put a different face upon the affair. It appeared that the wives of the vengeful husbands, two young and gay daughters of a wealthy merchant, had undertaken to make love to two young men who were not yet scarcely out of their teens, writing love-letters to them, appointing meetings, and encouraging them to gain their caresses, which, however, do not appear to have gone to any very serious lengths. By means of a note which fell accidentally into the hands of one of the husbands, the matter came to their notice, and they immediately plotted their revenge. One of the wives was induced to write an earnest letter to her gallant, asking him to her house. He came accordingly, and the two husbands, who were in wait for him, gave him a severe beating. The other young man, whose name is Summer, (a cousin, it is said of Senator Summer,) was entrapped to the same house by the urgent personal solicitations of the two husbands, whom he did not know, and who almost forced him there in a carriage under pretense that his lady-love was very anxious to see him. Arrived at the house, in spite of the entreaties of the two wives, who were present, they dragged him into a coal-cellar and beat and kicked him in the most brutal manner. On the complaint of the first young man, both husbands have been held to bail for assault and battery. One of them was subsequently held to bail for burglary in breaking and entering his father-in-law's warehouse and helping himself to $1,700 from the safe. And now the news comes that the young man Sumner is dead, and that his two assailants have been arrested for homicide. It will be rather a case of manslaughter than of murder, but one of such an aggravated character that, on conviction, the punishment can hardly be less than from ten to twenty years in the State Prison.—N. Y. Trib.

"La Belle Dormeuse."—The special correspondent of N. Y. Times tells the following curious story:

A young and frail Scotch girl, scarcely more than a child, and beautiful as any of Walter Scott's heroines, has lately attracted the public attention in Paris by sleeping wherever she goes. Her name is Erina Walton, and her mother has brought her to Paris to try by travel to cure her of her singular malady. At the opera she no sooner takes her seat in a box than she falls to sleep, and thus remains until she is awakened, and it is whilst in this position that she has gained the title of "La Belle Dormeuse."—While she sleeps she is said to enjoy dreams so lovely and so attractive that the awakening into the common place surroundings of this world displeases her, and she hastens back again into dream-land. At home, in a carriage, at the theatre, wherever she is left alone for a moment, she settles into a calm and sweet sleep; and with a lovely and child-like face, and dreams such as she enjoys, one can readily imagine that her face in sleep is the centre of attraction for all eyes, and that she well merits the title of "The Beautiful Sleeper." The symptoms of this case betray one of the curious forms of hysterics, and, no doubt, after time has cured her of the abominable condition in which she now finds herself, she will look back upon that period with as much fear as she now does delight.

Aside from the diseased condition of this child's nervous system, it would be curious to know how much there is of materiality, how much of immateriality in this Swedenborgian-like communion with the land of dreams.

A Financial Crisis.—The members of Congress are beginning to feel a financial crisis in their breeches pockets. They can get no money till the organization is effected, and as many of them had no more spare cash than was necessary to carry them to Washington City, they have since been living on tick. Landladies and boarding-house keepers are getting importunate for the first instalment of their board bills, but the members have nothing to give them but promises to pay till they receive their mileage. This latter circumstance may probably bring the members to terms on the Speakership quicker than any conscientious scruples about wasting so much public time and money.

Safety of Railway Travelling.—At a recent meeting of the English Railway Club, which is composed of the representatives of the principal English railways, Mr. Edward G. Watkin, the general manager of one of the most extensive lines, presided and made a speech, which was received with great attention. He said those present represented £800,000,000, employed more than 90,000 men, and administered a revenue of £20,000,000 annually. In regard to the safety of railway traveling, Mr. Watkin furnished some novel statistics. He said he had often thought that if a person wanted to be in the safest place in this world he should get into a first class railway carriage, and never leave it.

In 1854 the English railways carried 111,000,000 passengers; the number killed in consequence of accidents beyond their own control was 12. Those 111,000,000 traveled about 15 miles each, so that it was clear a man must make between 10 and 11 journeys, traveling between 150,000,000 and 160,000,000 miles—and that would take, he had calculated, between 2,000 and 3,000 years—before a fatal accident might be expected to happen to him. Now, he challenged comparison, in point of safety, between railway traveling and that of any other mode of traveling, or any other avocation. Two-thirds of the accidents occur from moral causes, and not from physical ones, as the breaking of an axle, or some defect in the permanent way.

The country will learn with regret that the absence of Chief Justice Taney from the Supreme Court is caused not by business engagements, as has been erroneously stated, but by illness. He is confined to his residence in Baltimore, and I learn that on Thursday last his physician could give no opinion as to when it would be prudent for him to remove to Washington. This venerable and learned Justice has now presided over the Supreme Court a period of twenty years, and his legal knowledge and sound conservative character have earned, in an eminent degree, the confidence of the bar and the respect of the country. The age of the Chief Justice is very advanced, and the attack under which he is now suffering naturally awakens the most serious apprehensions of his friends and associates. I need hardly add that already speculations are circulated in whispers concerning the successorship, respecting which I will only remark that I trust they may be proved by the event, premature and superfluous.—Wash. Cor. N. Y. Com.

Professor Longfellow's New Poem, "Hiawatha," having been assailed by a writer in the National Intelligencer as an imitation of the old Finnish epic of "Kalewala," Mr. Henry R. Schoolcraft deems the originality of the Indian legends published by him attacked, and he therefore puts forth an article in the National Intelligencer, of considerable length, on the subject. From it we gather that the name "Hiawatha," so far from being imitated by Professor Longfellow from "Kalewala," was merely transferred by him from Mr. Schoolcraft's legends, to which he credits the materials of his story—that the incidents of the legends were also in a like manner transferred, and that whatever similarity there may be between them and Kalewala was not owing to any plagiarism or imitation on the part of either Longfellow, or Schoolcraft. The legends appear in the "Algic Researches precisely as they were gathered from the Indians by Schoolcraft.

Kansas.—Washington correspondents state that no further official intelligence has been received from Governor Shannon than that contained in his telegraphic despatch, already published. The President very properly declined to act in the first instance, upon that imperfect information, and as no sufficient reason has since appeared to induce a change of purpose, all the rumors representing that the United States troops stationed at Fort Leavenworth had been ordered to the scene of conflict, are utterly unfounded. The extreme haste which Governor Shannon has shown to at once make resistance to a county sheriff the cause of the intervention of the federal troops in the domestic affairs of the Territory, scarcely secures approval in any quarter, and his removal would not be displeasing to any party.

The Church of England is in a remarkable position at this time as respects the Episcopal bench. There has not been any vacancy among the Bishops during the last year and a half, but in the next year and a half there will probably be five. "If any one man shall continue to be the chief adviser of the Crown for the next eighteen months, upon him will devolve the weighty responsibility of selecting almost one fifth of the Episcopacy of England." At least so states the London Herald.

Rev. Miron Winslow.—The New York Commercial learns from India that the Rev. Miron Winslow, the distinguished Oriental scholar and missionary, is about to return on a visit to his native country. For thirty years Mr. Winslow has labored in India, and has been eminently successful in establishing churches and schools in the Island of Ceylon, and on the continent, in the city of Madras.

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