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LATE FROM SALT LAKE.

Destruction of a Government Train by the Mormons.

THE U. S. FORCES IN GREAT DIFFICULTIES!

[Correspondence of the N. Y. Tribune.] CAMP, 120 miles from Fort Laramie, October 13, 1857.

During Capt. Van Vliet's stay in Salt Lake City last month, he overheard but one remark which induced him to believe that the declarations of the Mormons...

The result has certainly justified the Prophet's confidence. No such revelation had been received by him up to October 5, on which date acts were committed...

The next on the road had advanced about 20 miles west from Pacific Springs, which rise at a short distance beyond the South Pass...

Each train consisted of 26 wagons, and belonged to the number sent out by Messrs. Russell & Waddell of Leavenworth City...

Immediately upon the receipt of the news of this attack, Col. Alexander sent Capt. Marcy of the 5th Infantry...

I am unable to make an estimate of the amount of stores destroyed by them in their foray of October 5. The original amount intended for the Utah expedition...

We know, however, in the absence of the official dispatches, that Capt. Marcy has rejoined Col. Alexander, and that the entire force has moved to the north along Bear River toward Soda Springs...

file in which it abounds, in such a manner that only artillery could clear them. But if the army concentrates at Soda Springs, it will have before it a road...

with Capt. Van Vliet, on his journey to the States, seemed of itself an offset to all the threatening messages of which the latter was the bearer.

In consideration of the journey of Dr. Bernhisel to Washington, while affairs are in such a condition among his constituency, I feel bound to send you the following information concerning the mode of his election...

Accordingly the whole audience rose. The next day, at the election, but a few votes were cast, and those all for Dr. Bernhisel...

The young man who brought the news to Big Stone Lake says that at a feast to which he was called by the Ithanctowan...

The St. Louis Republican of November 11th says: "Highly important intelligence has just been received at Fort Leavenworth..."

"News had reached Laramie that the Mormons had burnt three government trains (seventy-five wagons) near Green River, ninety miles behind Col. Alexander's command (10th Infantry)..."

"There was probably never before any portion of our army subjected to such privations and to whom the future presents such a gloomy picture as is the case at present with the 'Army for Utah.'"

This news, of the actual rising of the Mormons in arms, cannot surprise you more than it does those on the scene of action. The presence of Dr. Bernhisel...

the 5th Infantry, Lieut. Col. Waite, while the trying duty—the almost hopeless task of conducting the "rear guard" (the six companies of 2d Dragoons) through a snowy path to its distant goal—rests with Lieut. Col. Cooke.

The following is the letter from the Rev. Thomas Williamson, published in the St. Paul Times: PAJUTAZEE, Oct. 26, 1857.

A report reached this neighborhood on day yesterday that five hundred American soldiers have been cut off by a large party of Tetonwan, near the Missouri river.

The young man who brought the news to Big Stone Lake says that at a feast to which he was called by the Ithanctowan...

I have confidence in my informant that he gave me the above news as he received it from the father-in-law of the man who brought it from the Missouri, and he believes it true...

They report further that a party of the Ithanctowan had recently returned from an unsuccessful expedition against the Good-Ventures or Ricarue, who reside on the Missouri above them...

Gen. Walker's Expedition. GEN. WALKER IN COURT. Gen. Walker was arrested in New Orleans on the 10th of November on the affidavit of several persons setting forth that they believe, from information received...

eral appeared before Judge McCaleb in court, with his friends, and gave a formal bond of \$2,000 to appear for preliminary examination on the 17th Nov. Col. Slater being his security.

DEPARTURE OF THE EXPEDITION. We doubt not, as we write, that Walker is again upon the wave, and rolling towards victory...

The following communication, from a member of the expedition, was received by us this morning, and contains, we believe, all the information on the subject of the departure...

Before this reaches you, Gen. Walker will have left the United States on his way back to Nicaragua, with the first division of emigrants.

Col. Anderson, Major Hoff, Capt. Kennedy, Charles Brogan, and Jacob Colmus were among the original fifty-six who left San Francisco with Gen. Walker, in 1855, in the brig Vesta.

We find the following telegraphic dispatches in the New Orleans papers: MOBILE, Nov. 12, 1857.

Last night about midnight some fifty or more men went on board the Dick Keys, which immediately left for the lower harbor, where she took Gen. Walker on board to-day.

The steamer Dick Keys, which carried down fifty men, besides a large quantity of arms and ammunition, into the lower harbor about midnight, has returned.

The Dick Keys transferred all on board of her to the Fashion, and Capt. Caughlin immediately turned the prow of his fate-freighted vessel toward the shores of Nicaragua.

The Kansas Constitution. LAWRENCE, K. T., Nov. 6, 1857.

The Lecompton Constitutional Convention closed its labors on Saturday evening last, Nov. 7, and adjourned sine die.

I have not seen the constitution, but learn that it is a pro-slavery constitution throughout; but with an intention to make a show of fairness, they have passed a separate clause sanctioning slavery.

I understand that a committee have already waited upon Governor Walker, asking him to convene an extra session of the Legislature to meet the contingency.

I understand that you and all your Cabinet cordially concur in the opinion expressed by me, that the actual bona fide residents of the Territory of Kansas, by a fair and regular vote, unaffected by fraud or violence, must be permitted, in adopting their State constitution, to decide for them-

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