

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It having been stated that Sacramento river salmon caught out of season, unlike Columbia river salmon, was a merchantable article, the News editor addressed Mr. B. B. Redding, secretary of the fish commission, on the subject, from whom he received a reply from which we quote as follows: "When the fish first come in from the ocean they are of superior flavor quite fat, and showing a layer of white curd between each layer of flesh. As the salmon does not eat in fresh water after it comes in from the ocean, the eggs and milt are matured at the expense of the fat and muscular vitality of the fish. Soon after the first of August the eggs and milt mature, the white curd and fat disappear, the silvery scales are absorbed, and the skin turns black. It is then as unfit for human food, and as feverish as a hen would be taken from her nest. The canneries of the Columbia river cease work on the first of August, as it has been found that salmon canned after that date have so deteriorated as to injure the reputation of the whole season's catch in foreign markets. It is reported that canneries on the Sacramento have been at work catching and canning over-ripe fish since the first of August. The effect will be to reduce the reputation of the Sacramento salmon to second and third class. It is to be hoped that next season the canneries will repair their error, by catching and canning only during the season, when the fish are in perfect condition, and during the time when proper and wholesome laws provide they may be caught."

General Crook narrowly escaped assassination at the hands of Crazy Horse on the occasion of the recent disturbance at Red Cloud Agency. Crazy Horse had been working to breed discontent among the Indians, urging them to go on the war path, but could not succeed. Among the northern Indians he had been pretty powerful, but when he came to the reservation he found so many chiefs who were regarded his superiors that he lost all his influence and became angry and ill-natured. General Crook sent word that he wished to talk with him, and started out with Mr. Clark, an Indian agent and interpreter, to see him. On the way down to the Indian camp General Crook was overtaken by a carrier, who said that Crazy Horse, in conversation with his men, had said that he intended to talk pretty saucy to General Crook, and in case the General should object he would kill him. General Crook and his companion, who were unarmed, abandoned the idea of having a talk with Crazy Horse, and the plotter's arrest and death followed.

The Commercial News, referring to freights and charters, says the market is, and has been during the past week in a peculiar position. Wheat freights have reached a point much lower than ever before known, but owners and shipmasters have shown a disposition to accept current rates. "This, in connection with the fact of short sales in the English market, has resulted in several engagements, both for loading here and in Oregon. Wheat has absorbed all the advance in the English market, but farmers continue reluctant sellers, and the grain now going aboard ship is partly Oregon wheat and partly purchases made some time since, both here and in the interior. It is impossible to quote freight rates with any accuracy. A large wooden ship has accepted £1 16s to Liverpool, and a medium-sized iron ship has obtained £2 2s 6d for the same port. These rates, together with those published below, will show the range of the market, but it seems at present as if the rate ships obtain depends largely on the acuteness of the broker and the anxiety of the charterers to obtain a vessel. Outside business has been more active and some

little business is doing in lumber charters at low rates for China and the West Coast. The disengaged tonnage in port now foots up 59,589 tons, a small falling off from last week. We have 12,154 tons miscellaneous in port, 26,467 tons engaged for wheat from here, and 6,220 from the Columbia river."

The Era of Good Feeling.

In one of Horace Greeley's last letters, (Nov. 8, 1872), just published for the first time, he says: "Well, I am used up. I cannot see before me. I have slept little for weeks, and my eyes are still hard to close, while they still open again. But no more of this. You, my friend, went into this contest for me. You knew as I did that we must stop fighting the rebels some time. But it is now settled that we never shall." If the good old man was alive now he might say different. It is evident that the numerous invitations to President Hayes by the southern people to pay them a visit were sincere. Wherever he goes he receives an ovation, and regrets are expressed at his inability to extend his journey further into the land than has been marked out as its limit. None have greeted him more cordially than Governor Wade Hampton, of South Carolina, who attached himself to the President as one of his escort, and made stirring speeches, full of reconciliation and patriotism, wherever he went. This voluntary exhibition of southern hospitality is strongly in proof of returning national brotherhood and fraternity.

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