

A New Country.

SINCE Perry, in 1854, secured a commercial treaty with Japan, and Burlingame, fourteen years after, established diplomatic relations with China, the peninsula to the northeast of the latter country has been a source of curiosity and design to nearly all commercial nations. Despite all effort, however, Korea has, till a few weeks ago, remained closed to all outside barbarians, and the manners and customs of her people, their stationary civilization, their stagnant seclusion have been but subjects of conjecture. Commodore Shufeldt, of the American navy, who has been for many years in oriental waters, has succeeded in establishing commercial relations between the Korean government and the United States. This, it is reported, was only accomplished after two years of persistent application, accompanied by the aid and recommendation of the Chinese and Japanese governments. The Commodore returned to this country by way of San Francisco on the 30th of July, and in an interview with a Chronicle reporter, spoke substantially as follows:

"Korea is a country that has long been inaccessible to the world. I believe I am the first white man who has ever trod the soil of the interior, and therefore, perhaps, I am a curiosity. So far as I saw them, the people of Korea are greatly attached to their country, have no disposition to emigrate, which accounts for their exclusiveness heretofore, but are possessed of a lively curiosity. On landing in Korea to meet the two Ministers appointed by the king to negotiate this treaty, two officers accompanied me for some distance into the interior. We were unarmed, but were not molested. The roads over which we traveled were lined with people for miles, attracted probably by their first opportunity to look upon the face of a white man. In some instances they crowded around us, and I suppose commented upon our strange dress and appearance, but they made no attempt to molest us. We pardoned their obtrusiveness, because we were probably a great mystery to them.

The Koreans look much unlike Chinamen. Their complexion is light, their hair dark, long and wavy, and their eyes black. They remind me of the North American Indian, and I believe the resemblance is sufficiently close to justify the belief that Korea furnished the material to populate this country originally. All the difference between the two races could have been produced by climate and mode of living after the immigration here. Owing to the fact that naturalists have never had an opportunity to investigate Korea, this resemblance has not been carried out to its logical conclusion.

"All the occupation the Koreans have is agriculture, and the product of the soil is mostly consumed at home. They export a little rice and a few beans to Japan, but they have no commerce and no marine. All their carrying is done on animals or by means of imperfect boats on the rivers. They appear inoffensive and not disposed to go to war with anybody, and yet the mass of the people are said to be curious in regard to outside affairs. The country is ruled by a king, who, in his own dominion, is an absolute despot, having complete power over the lives and property of the most noble of his subjects. He is assisted in governing by a council selected from the nobility who have charge of the various departments, judicial, war, financial and interior departments. The person of the king for centuries has been absolutely inaccessible, and no person of his own race, much less a foreigner, has been able to get into his presence. It is sac-

ilege to utter the name he has received from his suzerain, and that by which he is known in history is only given him after his death. It is high treason to touch his person with a weapon of iron. Notwithstanding the monarch's exclusiveness, however, in theory his ear is always open to the people, and an appeal to him in all grave matters is nominally permitted. The interference of the nobility in politics is also high treason, and the princes of the blood are excluded wholly from power. About a year since a plot to gain control of the government was discovered among the nobles, and every person in any way connected with it was beheaded. This treatment of the participants in the imbroglio was a salutary lesson. Although the king wields such power, there are two political parties among the nobles of Korea. One party is called the progressists, the other by a name which implies their antipodes, those opposed to progress. The former party is at present in power, a fact which rendered the negotiation of our treaty possible.

The treaty has not yet been ratified, but it is thought that at the December session of congress the matter will be given affirmation.

MONTANA is among the localities that are enjoying an exceptional prosperity at this time. In Helena there is a genuine boom in real estate speculation. Land that could have been bought in that vicinity a few weeks ago for ten dollars an acre cannot be obtained now for a hundred. Three new banks have been started in the town within a period of four months. One cause of all this excitement is the rapid progress in the Northern Pacific railroad, and the conviction that Helena is so favorably situated that it must reap the benefit of much of the traffic and commercial development that are expected to follow. The town will be nearly midway between several important trade centers. It is distant from Chicago 1,565 miles; from San Francisco, 1,300; and from Astoria, 910.

That the world's news is more a matter of sensation than actual fact, is best illustrated by the cable dispatches. Before the Egyptian troubles, column after column were telegraphed to London relative to the Irish question. Now the Emerald Isle gets brief mention. Not that matters in that distracted province are in any better shape than they were two weeks ago, but because Arabi Bey is "the last sensation." 'Tis just like a stage, one scene is forgotten in the eagerness of the audience to see "what's coming next."

A HERALD correspondent, summing up the Egyptian question, says: France is largely opposed to England, and but for the fear of Bismarck Gladstone would have called of his war dogs immediately. Politicians of all shades ask me why it is the American press publishes such one-sided reports of the doings in Egypt. Several correspondents of Paris journals, writers whose reputations stand unquestioned, boldly denounce many items as lacking in truth.

In a skirmish between the English troops and the Egyptians near Arabi Bey, last Saturday near Alexandria, the English commander reports a loss of four killed and twenty-nine wounded. He says that the object of the reconnaissance was obtained, he simply desiring to see how strong Arabi's position was.

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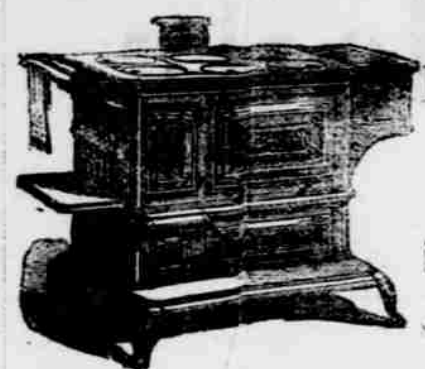
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