

## AFFAIRS IN ARIZONA.

### War with the Apaches—Mining Intelligence —The Overland Mail, &c., &c.

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Again the Apache Indians have commenced their depredations. A treaty was made, in March last, with the Pinal Apaches, at which they received in advance, for good behavior, about \$4,000 worth of goods and 2,500 pounds of corn. Since that time not only the Pinals, but the Coyoteros and Mescaleros have time after time violated their treaties without any notice being taken by Government. They have improved the period of ostensible peace in traversing the settlements, taking account of the stock, and spying out the ground for future plundering expeditions, as everybody who knew the false and treacherous character of the Apaches expected they would do.

On the night of the 15th, some ten or fifteen mules were stolen from San Javier, a mission within ten miles from Tucson. This, however, was but a trifle. The next night they made a descent on Arivaca Ranch, the property of the Sonora Exploring and Mining Company, driving off nearly one hundred head of mules and horses belonging to the Company. Pursuit was made at once, and about fifty recovered; the balance were got into the mountains. The loss to the Company will be about twenty-five.

On intelligence being sent to Fort Buchanan, Col. REEVZ, the commandant, with his characteristic promptness, at once dispatched a company of dragoons, under the command of Capt. Ewall, to if possible overtake them, or at least learn to which of the Apache bands they belong. Capt. Ewall is one of the best Indian fighters in the army, he has always been noted for his energy and perseverance in Indian campaigns. It is presumed he will follow them into their stronghold, where one company is no account. In any event it is to be hoped the War Department will take some measures to put these Indians down and keep them in subjection. We have had mild Indian agent treaties enough. It is time the assurances so often given our citizens was carried out, "additional troops for Arizona."

Six hundred miles of this frontier is now protected by a two-company post. Not long since one company of dragoons was taken from here and a company of infantry sent to take its place. In this way our Government fosters and encourages emigration and protects the mining interests. Gen. GARDEN paid for this territory \$10,000,000; it was thought at the time a hard bargain; it will prove so if some protection is not given it. If reasonable protection is given us I am sure the few inhabitants now here will astonish the world in the production of silver.

The few mining companies now here have every prospect of success. The Patagonia and the Sonora Exploring and Mining Companies, the only two worked to any extent, are more than paying expenses, employing not a tenth part of a requisite force. Each of these companies have once before lost nearly all their animals, and for the want of machinery are working to great disadvantage.

The *Arizona*, of the 19th, thus speaks of the late treaty, in publishing the theft:

"This is an illustration of the wretched policy of these blanket and calico treaties, made with the Apaches. They should be made to beg for peace, and to keep it, without pay or bribery. If the Apache tribes commence depredations on a large scale, the whole western portion of this Territory is liable to be devastated and depopulated, the Overland Mail destroyed, and all mining operations broken up."

It thus handles Superintendent COLLINS, who probably never was one foot on the route of the Overland Mail Company. He resides nearly a thousand miles from here, and knows as little about the safety of the country as though he lived in New-York;—

"A short time since it was published throughout the States that "Indian Superintendent COLLINS" announced to the authorities at Washington the "entire safety" of this portion of the country, and the "perfect security" of the Overland Mail. The fact that an Overland Mail coach was recently stopped, at night, and searched by a war party of Apaches, and the extensive robbery from Arivaca, together with numerous other depredations, insinuates somewhat forcibly that "Indian Superintendent COLLINS" is grossly ignorant of the true state of affairs; and it would be vastly to the credit of "Indian Superintendent COLLINS" if, before making official announcement of the peace and security of this region, he should require a little authentic information of the country, in order to have some foundation for his statements."

We have few items of news from Sonora. The intelligence is confirmed that GANDORA is "coming up" with a strong force, and is expected to regain possession of the States; not only Sonora but Sinaloa is to give him her support. It is not now safe for Americans to travel alone in Sonora; neither life nor property are safe. When the Central Government give us the right of way to Guaymas, with authority to protect, with United States troops, our trains, we may look for safety, not before.

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