

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

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INCIDENTS AND SCENES IN PRISON.—THE PREPARATIONS FOR DEATH.—THE DEATH-SCENE AND EXECUTION.—AWFUL SPECTACLE ON THE WALLS.—BURIAL AND OTHER INCIDENTS.

MANKATO, Wis., Dec. 29, 1862.

Thursday last the day preceding the execution of the 38 Indians... A HORRIBLE SPECTACLE.—HANGING OF THE 38 SIOUX MURDERERS.

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THE INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

The Halifax Morning Chronicle of the 10th gives the following statement of the present position of matters with regard to the Intercolonial Railway.

The Hon. Messrs. Siotte, Howland, and Howe returned in the Africa, from the late meeting of the Intercolonial Railway Commission.

A MIRAGE IN NEW BRUNSWICK.—In the arctic regions, we are told, it is no uncommon thing to observe places, situated thousands of miles distant, reflected upon the sky over his head.

THE MEXICAN CONGRESS.—The House meets on Sunday as on other days, and the session was brought to a close by a speech from Juarez.

A NEW CANAL PROJECT.—The Dutch have set on foot a gigantic work of canal improvement. It is proposed to cut a canal through the Isthmus of Panama.

SOCIAL LIFE AT THE SOUTH.—Two lovely and accomplished young ladies, the Memphis correspondent of the New York Herald, has just made her way up from the vicinity of Vicksburg.

PURSUIT OF A THIEF TO AUSTRALIA.—In June last, a man named Robert Stewart, who was employed as farm-bailiff by Mr. Caldwell, of the county of Wick, was detected in the act of absconding with some £500 of his master's money.

THE WAR UPON NORTHERN SOIL.—He alluded briefly to his desire to transfer the war upon Northern soil, but the failure to do this proceeded not for the want of inclination but power.

THE FOLLOWING, WHICH WE TAKE FROM THE BOSTON COURIER, IS STARTLING, ALTHOUGH IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN EXPECTED.

The accounts from the Army of the Potomac are avowedly the most unfavorable character which have been published.

The Richmond Enquirer still contends that the battles of Murfreesboro' were victories for the South.

A PERSIAN BRIDE.—Dickens, in All the Year Round, thus describes a bride in Persia: "A Persian bride when first brought is a queer little body, fattened up with rice and sweets for the occasion."

THE QUESTION AT ISSUE.—The issue involved in this war was no ordinary one. The question is, will you be free, or will you be the slaves of the moment, to be governed and controlled by a tyrannical and despotic people?

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THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT.—On the other side of the river our prospects are brighter than ever before, and we are long to hope that we would be enabled to claim Missouri free.

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DAVID RAMSAY, OR, NO DOUBT, VERY RESPECTABLE MAN IN HIS WAY, BUT THEY NEVER CAN BE SUPERIOR TO JOHN CLARK.

Look at the return for the fourth district of Prince County: Messrs. J. C. Pope and Cornelius Howat have been elected in preference to Messrs. Lord and Wright.

THE REAL DANGER.—The President remarked that when he arrived he thought the enemy were pressing down upon us from the northern borders of our State, but when he went to Greensboro' he there learned that nothing could be done now, but that they were going back.

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RESULTS OF THE ELECTION.

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PRINCE COUNTY. Government. Opposition. Hon. J. Longworth, 574; Benjamin Davis, 614; Alex. Laird, 829.

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LATEST FROM EUROPE.

The English Mail by the Steamer Arabia arrived at Halifax on Tuesday, 29th instant, and the Mails for this Island reached here on Friday.

There is nothing of much importance in the news furnished. We give, however, such extracts from our late papers as appear to be most worthy of perusal.

Parliament is to meet on the 5th of February. The intention of the British Cabinet respecting the Greek Question is no longer a mystery.

The character of England's government in the Ionian Islands has been, and still is, misapprehended by her jealous continental neighbors.

Still, considering the factions, often turbulent, spirit of these Ionians, it will be admitted that the Protector has had a soft and merciful hand on the reins.

The Ionian Islands, under the auspices of England, have enjoyed all the blessings of complete representation to government, and are prosperous.

They are lightly taxed, and yet they are not content withal. They anxiously desire annexation to Greece, and if Greece manage to get a trustworthy king, this desire will be gratified.

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