

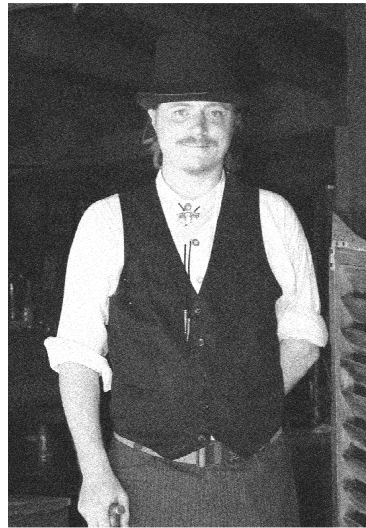
# LITTLE ROCK EXPRESS

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## MEXICAN ARMY RETREATS IN DISARRAY. US ARMY SURGING THROUGH TEXAS.

The invading Mexican army has retreated from Southern Arkansas in disarray according to sources within the US Army. General George Morrison has issued a call for volunteers to drive the Mexican army out of the contested state of Texas once and for all and these volunteers will be eligible for land in this territory. This has angered some in the local area who believe their historic land claims will be ignored by the new State government. Senator Watkins was unavailable for comment.

The Town of Deadwood is to be used as a staging area for volunteers and they should assemble at the recruitment camp located south of Little River Steamboat Dock. Recruits are required to bring one week's food, a firearm and 100 rounds of ammunition to be eligible for enrolment into the 'Arkansas Militia'



### SENATOR MISSING?

Rumours persist that the Senator for the state of Arkansas, Senator Watkins is missing. Though the State Government denies these rumours insisting that the Senator is undertaking important work in Washington this paper has been unable to reach him either at the senate or his private offices. It is also said that members of the feared Pilkington detective agency have been hired to track down the Senator though these rumours cannot be substantiated and the Pinkerton Agency refuses to comment.

This is not the first time that the Senator has gone missing previously the Senator had disappeared for a number of weeks and was rumoured to have spent the time in the famous 'White Star' bordello in northern Arkansas.

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### INDIAN MIGRATION A SUCCESS

Indian migration to the new lands of the Indian Nation a success says office for Indian Affairs. In an interview undertaken in the field with Indian affairs officer George Mattock this reporter has seen the extensive record of the migration. "Overall the migration has been highly successful" Said Officer Mattock "Baring a few irregularities which are currently being investigated in and around the Indian territory it seems that the migration has allowed the whole Quapaw tribe to be successfully relocated. This is in part due to the hard work undertaken by the regulators located in the State of Arkansas." While this reported is yet to journey to the new nation himself he can account for the fact that the number of Indians in the South of Arkansas has reduced remarkably. Marshal Walters from the Town of Deadwood is reported as saying "The only Indians left around here are the remnants of a renegade war band and we expect them to be tracked down and hanged before the month is out." Other surrounding States are now looking to negotiate with their aboriginal peoples with a view of migration to the newly formed Indian nation. This will be supported by the newly established railroad through southern Arkansas.



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## NO MORE BEEF IN ARKANSAS?

It seems that after the alleged murder of Alistair 'Big Al' Stevenson, main objector to the Indian nation that many if not all of the major cattle families in Western Arkansas and Texas have opted to move North towards the Great Plains rather than face the 'bloodthirsty government cut throats'.

Government representatives both from The State Capitol and the county of little rock insist that investigations are still ongoing and there is no 'Beef Crises' and call for reputable witnesses to come forward.

If you have any information relating to the death of A. Stevenson please contact Deadwood Marshals Office to claim your \$20 reward.

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## TOWNSFOLK RETURN TO DEADWOOD.

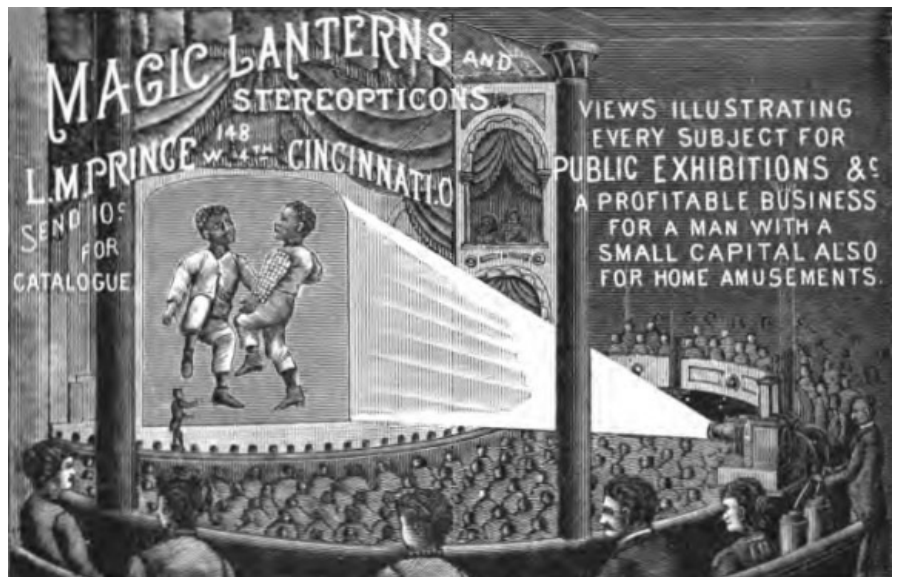
With the recent success in the field of the US Army the town of Deadwood has been returned from martial law to the control of the properly elected officials. All evacuated townsfolk are being moved back to the town via both wagon and rail. One old lady is quoted as saying "Now that I've had the chance to clean up after those boys who took me away... What a messy and impatient lot. Wouldn't even let me finish my dinner before we left... And with the army gone I've even managed to get hold of some real coffee for Iestin from the local shop. I haven't invited the king over for dinner. I told Iestin I needed to clean up and get some fresh supplies first but he was insistent." This reporter was unable to establish who the aforementioned Iestin is or the 'King' but clearly important things are afoot around the up and coming town of Deadwood.

## NEW GANG THREATENS TRAVEL IN ARKANSAS.

Travellers in the South of the State of Arkansas are warned against travelling at night as rumours of bandits dressed as scarecrows attacking and murdering men, women and children circulate throughout several townships. A statement for the Regulators Office assures locals that 'The situation is being investigated and the culprits should soon be brought to justice, in the meantime people should avoid travelling overnight and staying in exposed locations' To support this more Oxen drawn wagons are being brought from the North to support the fledgling rail network. Local people are asked to remove all scarecrows from their fields and ensure their doors and windows are fully shuttered before dusk.

## CROPS FAILING IN LITTLE RIVER

Farmers are reporting a mysterious disease affecting crops in the northern part of the country of little river. Emergency measures have been put in place to block the export of grain and hay from the region and the regulators office is supporting the quarantine. Local farmers have applied to the State capitol for financial aid in the crises and payments have been agreed. All those affected should report to the Mayor's office in Dead Wood, Little River County to apply for aid. The disease seems to affect primarily corn crops and can be seen to be moving south across the county.



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