

here, on wagons. It is claimed that this route is the shortest to the "Hills." The new bridge over the North Platte, is one great feature of the route.

For fare, see ANNEX No. 50.

There is one newspaper published here, the *Telegraph*, weekly, by J. B. Gossage & Co., who also have recently established a weekly at Rapid City, in the Black Hills, called the *Black Hills Journal*.

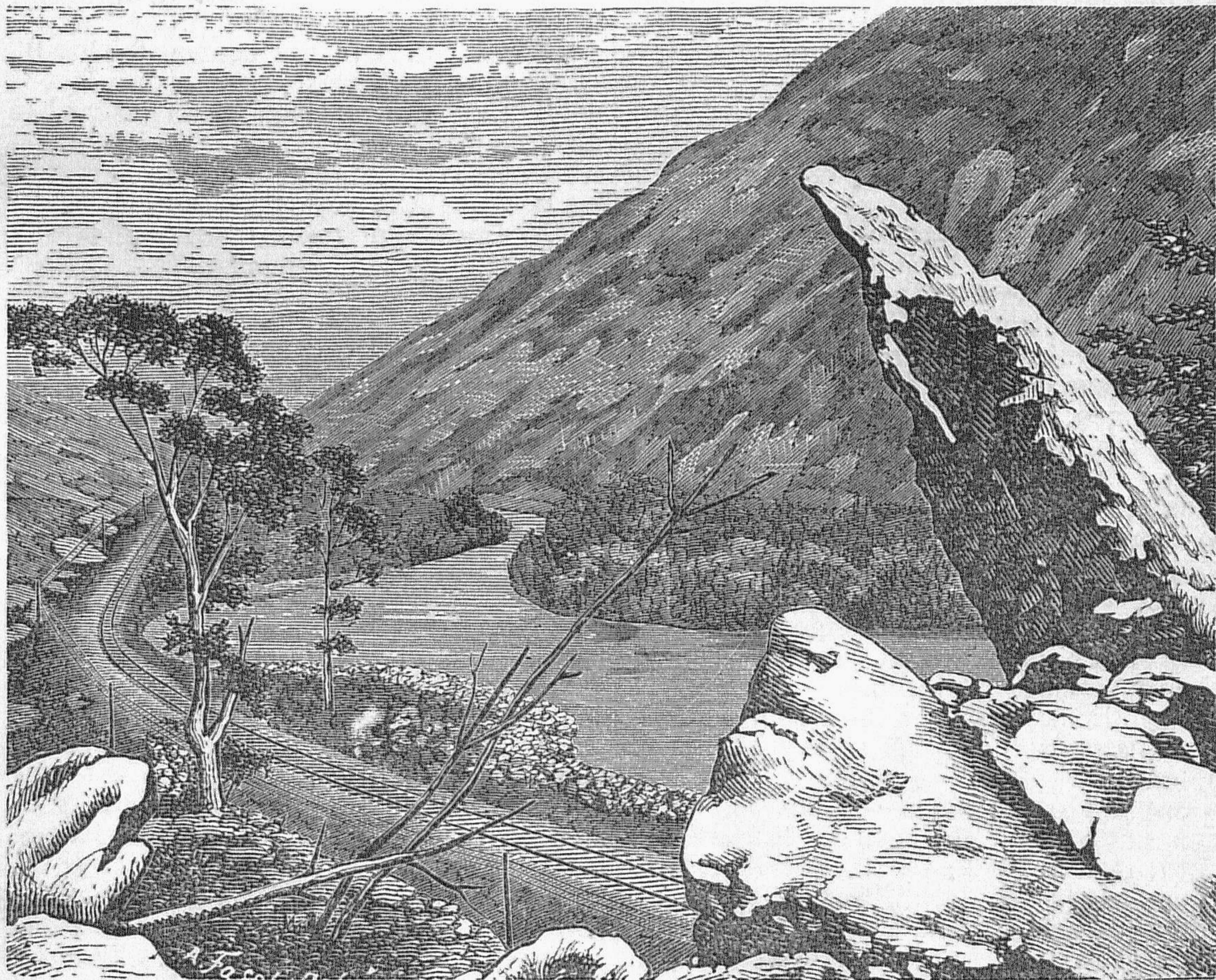
The Government has established a military post at this station, and erected extensive barracks and warehouses. The post is on the south side of the track, a little to the east of the station. The old "Post Trader" at this place, Mr. James A. Moore, recently deceased, was an old pioneer, and the hero of the "Pony Express." June 8th, 1860, he made the most remarkable ride on record. Mr. Moore was at Midway stage station on the south side of the Platte, when a very important Government despatch ar-

rived for the Pacific Coast. Mounting his pony, he left for Julesburg, 140 miles distant, where, on arriving, he met an important despatch from the Pacific; resting *only seven minutes*, and, *without eating*, returned to Midway, making the "round trip"—280 miles—in fourteen hours and forty-six minutes. The despatch reached Sacramento from St. Joseph, Mo., in eight days, nine hours and forty minutes.

From Sidney it is 9 miles to

Brownson—Passenger trains do not stop. The station was named after Col. Brownson, who was with the Union Pacific from the first, and a long time their general freight agent. The valley along here is very narrow, with high rocky bluffs on each side. It is 9 9-10 miles further to

Potter—Large quantities of wood and ties are usually stored here, which are obtained about 20 miles north of this point, on Lawrence Fork and Spring Canyon, tributaries of the North Platte River. Potter, although not a large place, is situated



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