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NEW ROUTE TO THE GILA AND COLORADO.—

The following sketch of a recent trip of exploration to discover a nearer route to the military post at the junction of the Gila and Colorado by Capt. Lyon, will be found highly interesting.

If a military post is to be kept up at that point, this new route will be of the utmost importance, as subsistence stores can be packed through at much less expense than they could be transported by the old wagon road; and in connection with this subject, we consider the proposition of Jefferson Davis, in the United States Senate, to secure Camels for transportation across the deserts, on the western portion of our continent, a measure that would result most advantageously to individual immigrants and to government. We hope this proposition may meet a more favorable consideration at the next session of Congress.

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Capt. Knowlton, in a recent letter to Capt. Lyon, in speaking of the difficulty of transporting stores across the deserts of California, refers to this proposition of Senator Davis, and gives it the approval of his experience in this matter, while traveling in Algeria, where, he says, "the French use them for military purposes, in crossing desert tracks of a corresponding character." The objections made in the Senate, to this proposition of Senator Davis, that this climate is too cold, is not valid: