NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Little Boy's Eyesight Totally Destroyed by Firecracker.

A GERMAN BARON IN TROUBLE.

Big Strike in a Rising Camp.—A Coal Miner's Awful Death.—A Plucky Lad.

A Masonic temple is to be built at Los Angeles, Cal. The cost will be somewhat in the vicinity of $80,000.

Fifteen hundred acres of land will be sown at once to the big Bonita ranch, adjoining the city of Los Angeles, and later.

A party of Arizona tourists recently shot a flock of mountain sheep. It was probably very silly, as the birds were with school in the plains.

A numbered Dakota, Montana ladies are preparing contemplate a trip to Virginia City on their wheels, sometime in the near future.

Steam pipes are now conveyed on a bridge over Salem, Utah, and some one side of it indicates that the supply is practically unlimited.

Work on the new water works at Spokane, Washington, may have to be suspended because the city has no cash to pay the men for their last month's wages.

Quite a curiosity was found a few days ago in the Sonora quartz mine near Elko. It is shaped like a fish and part of the skeleton of an animal solidly imbedded in the silicous. The fish was about two feet long.

A sturgeon weighing 300 pounds was caught in the Columbia River the other day. This is one of the largest sturgeons ever caught in that river, and while the sturgeon is worth a pound, the dog's meat brought the fisherman $1.

Harry D. Hamilton, a 15-year-old boy, is said to be a star from San Diego, Cal., to Boston in a wagon. He will drive a team with five feet and will sell a ticket to anyone on the way. The entire feat of the horse gives from one of the most high jumps above the feet.

There is a publish, somewhat mysteriously signed, going about Fresno, Cal., saying Robert Bonds and the legislature is partials for the establishment of the employment offices in all the and needed town cities, to be under the management of the commercial and of local societies.

A cat stolen and one that will indicate time to life, occurred in little Lee Young yesterday afternoon, says the Utah (Wyoming) *Herald*. The cat, a remarkably bright and manly little kitten of six years, was playing with his mother, when he was struck on the right eye, destroying the sight.

John J. Jones, one of the well-known mining men in southern Arizona, was found dead in bed on Saturday morning at a hotel in Phoenix, A. T. Mr. Jones made and lost several fortunes in the mining business in the territory, and at the time of his death was superintendent of a company which controls rich gold properties.

F. M. Cushing, an old resident of Humboldt county, Cal., aged forty, shot and instantly killed, with a Sterling Bold mined, Charles Hardwick, aged eighteen, the son of N. G. Hardwick, was one in Tree Plum creek, near Paradise, about sixteen miles south of Holmes. The trouble originated over a cracked road, which Cushing had sued for a long time.

Things will probably await Tacoma, Wash., hereafter. Recently the citizens formed a committee and gathered in all the vagrants to be found. They were emptied to the edge of town and warned to leave. All willingly did so except several of the laughers, who remained to go. These were taken to the town jail and treated to cold water from a fire hose until they promised to depart.

A Spokane from Spokane, Washington, says: E. H. Morrison of Fairfield, exchequer Miles, C. Moore of Walla Walla, and George Turner of Spokane, have filed articles of incorporation for the Waverly Beet Sugar Manufacturing company, with a capital of $500,000. It is proposed to put a thirty-thousand-ton beet sugar factory at Waverly, in that county. It is understood that Chicago capitalists are back of the enterprise.

What appears to be one of the biggest estate cases in the county for months has been received on the Hogsett, a ranch joining the dissolf on the north near Haven hill, Colorado. The one dollar has been opened up for a whole year of 120 feet by thumbing and is not but feet in width. The ore assays from seven up to twenty ounces and more free gold in large quantities. The discovery was made by James Gary, who has a twenty-five mounts' lease on the property. Ernest N. Gay, of Aspen, is also interested in the lease.

David T. Thomas, a coal miner, met an equal death at the Carbondale coal mine at Thomas, Wash., last week. Connected with the machinery of the mine is a large fan, the bearings of which require frequent oiling. Thomas volunteered to do this and began using it when the sleeve caught in the revolving wings. Before he could release himself he was pulled down by the fan, which rained into crushing segments his forearm and shoulder blade, with the two outriders was severely wounded. Thomas fell to his body. Thomas was 27 years old and leaves a widow and child.

William Van Kingler, who is in jail at Santa Cruz for pretending to have found a mine, and who claims Lewis Stevenson, says and is so related in Fairy Bonanza, in disappointed person Kern Stevenson, the girl he married, refuses to marry him. He had a marriage contract drawn for her before leaving Scotland, but she now refuses to sign it and says he is trying to do with him. The trouble was caused apparently influence which was exercised to marry him. The Kingler is twenty five and the girl sixteen years old. He says that he did not wish to marry at A serious issue, preferring a poor girl if she loves him. This morning he was indignant toward the complaining witness in his case, saying that it is wrong for Kingler to would discharge him in a dirt drawings his hands, and would go to jail for the law.

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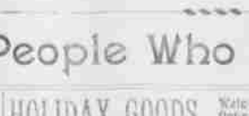

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