

anticipate disastrous snow slides when it turns warm.

Edward Martin, of Oroville, Cal., bought a chicken the other day from a Chinese poultry dealer. When he opened its craw he recovered therefrom about \$3 worth of bright river gold.

The work of building a railroad from Cedar City, Iron county, up Coal Creek canyon to the coal beds there is being crowded ahead. The Utah Coal and Iron company is interested in the enterprise.

Parachute, Colo., had a horse sale last week and twenty-five sold at from \$2 to \$13 a head. Who says money is not scarce when horses won't sell for a week's feed bill? asks the *Denver News*.

Rio Blanco and Routt county (Colo.) stock men are gloomy and anxious. Deep snow now covers the ranges and the weather is cold. Great loss of cattle by cold and starvation is anticipated.

The Arapahoe County Teachers' association met in the assembly hall of the East Denver High school on Saturday morning. About 200 members were present, together with many visitors from all parts of the state.

Sweetwater valley sheepmen in Wyoming report at Rawlins that sheep have done well in the deep snows while cattle have suffered severely. The sheep do well on sage and greasewood bush.

Near Laramie, Wyo., the Satoria ranch, with 22,000 acres under irrigation ditch and improvements thereon, costing \$600,000, is said to have been sold on option to a Chicago capitalist for \$500,000.

A Crested Butte, Colo., inventor, who has patented a sage brush cutting and grubbing machine, is having his invention manufactured in Denver and will soon place it on the market for sale.

A movement is on foot in Seattle, Wash., to organize a company to cure fish. Cod and halibut abound in northern waters, and enterprising business men see in this scheme big money.

At Huachuca siding, Ariz., a 166 pound nugget of copper has been taken out by Mr. Downey and sent to Tucson and placed in the school of mines. It was carried seven miles to the railroad on the back of a small burro.

On Wednesday W. J. Wall, employed on the Champion Empire mine at Aspen, Colo., fell out of the bucket, a distance of 250 feet. Death was instantaneous. He leaves a wife and four children in Tipperary, Ireland.

The death is reported of Dr. James Irwin, of Lander, Wyo. Dr. Irwin arrived in Cheyenne on the first regular Union Pacific train and established a private hospital. Since 1871 he has lived in the Lander country.

Sunflower valley, near Trinidad, must be a farmer's Eldorado. Mr. Abe Miller bought forty acres there one year ago and in 1893 sold \$600 worth of produce and realized \$3 a month for milk delivered at a creamery.

A Johnson county, Wyo., farmer named George Roberts, last year imported thirteen fine hounds for wolf hunting at a cost of \$400. Now all are dead except one from the effects of

wolf bites and eating poisoned meat on the cattle ranges.

The Genoa, Nev., *Courier*: Catfish are very plentiful in some of the ponds this side of Wailey's Springs. A resident put a steel hook in the top of a barley sack one day this week and scooped up thirty-five fish at a single dig.

John McNulty, who was to have been hanged at Sacramento, Cal., last Friday, has escaped the gallows, after spending six years in prison. Governor Markham, almost at the last moment, commuted the death sentence to imprisonment for life.

COLIMA, Mex., Feb. 1.—Senor J. Jesus Cardenas, one of the wealthiest and best known ranchers of western Mexico, has been assassinated at La Maragera. Robbery is thought to be the motive. Two arrests have been made.

Laramie county, Wyoming, commissioners paid themselves \$1,518.30 for the last six months of 1893. Allowing them eighteen days' pay for regular monthly meetings the three county commissioners each received at the rate of \$84 a day. Now the Cheyenne papers complain of high priced officials.

Between Huntington and the mouth of Powder river, Or., a distance of about twenty-five miles, not less than fifty miners are engaged with rocker and sluice, fine-gold mining on the bars of Snake river. From \$1 to \$2.50 per day is counted as good pay.

Georgie, the nine-year-old son of R. W. Starr, of Waterville, Wash., fell in the family well last week. The well is forty-five feet deep and had two and a half feet of water, but the boy was fished out with no other injury than a scratched and bruised knee.

The McDonald ranch, twenty-five miles west of Trinidad, Colo., produces every year a fine crop of Mexican corn, which is cut green and used for dairy feeding. The fodder is as green as alfalfa and is grown without irrigation. The butter produced sells at three pounds for \$1 all the year round.

A Spanish entertainment, modeled after the fests of old California days, is to be held on Coronado beach on April 24th, 25th and 26th. So far as possible the atmosphere of Mexican California will be revived in the character of sports and in the dress of those taking part.

Another victim of the treacherous balloon lies badly crippled at the Sanitarium in San Jose, Cal., with the prospects of remaining there for at least a couple of months. This time it is a woman. Although but 20 years of age she claims to have made forty-six trips with but one disaster.

Jimmy Eagan stowed himself away on the steamer Walla Walla at Seattle, intending to come to San Francisco. When the steamer arrived at Victoria and more freight was put into the hold where the boy was concealed he became alarmed and called for help. He was hauled over to the police.

A half interest in a twenty acre placer claim above Warm Springs Ferry, on Snake river, was lately sold for \$1,000 cash. As but little development had been made on this ground, the price is considered a substantial encouragement to those interested in

that vicinity, says the *Bellevue Herald*.

There is a pretty little row at Walla Walla, Wash., over the proposed construction of a water works system. The council has issued an advertisement asking for bids for \$160,000 bonds to be used in the construction. The water company announces its intention to contest and prevent the issue of the bonds.

Otto Bohling, a young man who arrived at Evanston, Ill., recently from Leadville, Colo., mysteriously disappeared a week ago. On Monday morning his body was found three miles from Evanston, frozen stiff. He had attempted to walk there from a neighboring town during a storm and had frozen to death.

Philip Booger, the aged California capitalist, says the *San Francisco Chronicle* of Saturday, was a happy man last night when he learned that he would not have to go to the penitentiary on the charge of attempting to poison his wife. The case has been a sensational one from beginning to end. Two weeks were consumed in taking the evidence and hearing the arguments.

A Lincoln, Neb., special to the *Republic* says that great excitement has been caused by the arrest of Bishop Bonacum on a charge of criminal libel preferred by Father Corbett of Palmyra, who, dissatisfied with the slowness of the ecclesiastical tribunal before which he preferred charges against the bishop some time ago, determined to put a stop to the persecution by the bishop.

The anti-gambling ordinance recently passed by the city council of Trinidad, has been put into force and as a result members of the sporting fraternity are beginning to leave the city. On Tuesday a number left for Cripple Creek and Denver, and during the present week all will take their departure. The principal issue in the coming campaign, it is stated, will be gambling and anti-gambling.

A dispatch from Rock Springs, Wyo., says, the Henry Fork disturbances have been quieted down by the sheep men pulling out of the cattlemen's country. Sheriff Whitmore since his return from there, states that if he had not gone over there would have been serious trouble, as feeling was running high between the men. As it is, no more trouble is feared, the sheep men saying that they will not again invade that territory.

Forty passengers on a Lake line electric car were badly shaken up and frightened on Monday afternoon when the car left the track, at Pueblo, Col. While running quite rapidly one of the axles broke, the wheels jumped the rails and the car ran entirely off the right of way some fifty feet. Considerable glass was broken. No one was seriously hurt, but many ladies were prostrated. A similar affair happened in San Francisco last week, but with more alarming consequences.

In Gunnison county, Colorado, a new coal company has been organized under the name of the East Baldwin Coal company. It has under development a heavy vein of coal into which a tunnel 300 feet long has been driven.