WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

The Gresham, Neb., Echo and Ke-view have been consolidated.

The Wyoming penitentiary now contains only one female prisoner. She is a peculating postmistress.

A laborer named George Matthews was run over and killed at Sebastopol. Cal., by a train Monday night.

Colorado coal miners will soon meet in convention and organize a state union.

Morgan county, Colo., sheep raisers have sent a protest to Washington opposing free wool.

Santa Fe, N. M., is now shipping its apple crop to market. The shipments by express amount to about 10,000 each week.

Nevada has heen moistened by heavy rains followed by warm weather and the cattle ranges are turning green.

Anna Staebine is in an fneane asylum in Washington, the result of a love affair in which her parents took a hand.

Crested Butte, Colo., jubilantly boasts of its perfect electric light and waterworks, and challenges the state to equal it.

Nearly eight tone of turkeys were shipped from Anderson, Shasta coun-ty, to San Francisco for Thanksgiving consumption.

There is only one woman among the 363 convicts in the Oregon peniten-tiary. She was convicted of cutting a harness to pieces.

A policeman was knocked down and severely injured on Saturdey night at San Francisco while attempt ug to arrest two hoodlums.

Great Falls, Mont., has a population of 12,000 with a pay roll of \$160,000 a month. Its machinery is operated by water power and electricity.

The Carlisle Mineral bath house, 64 Pueblo, Colo., has been totally de-stroyed by fire. The origin is un-known. Their loss is \$7000.

The trial of Dr. Joseph Von Werth-en, charged with the murder of Mise Clara Matthews by malpractice, is proceeding at San Francisco.

A sheep berder sues Johnson county, Wyo., for \$10,000 damages because his sheep caught a disease while being driven through the county.

United States engineers are examining the Colorado river above Yuma, with a view to making it navigable to Grand canyon, a distance of 700 miles from its mouth.

Montana's mineral exhibit at the World's Fair has been mostly distrib-uted among castern colleger. The gold uted among eastern colleger. nuggets, valued at \$20,000, have been returned to their owners.

At Dolores, N. M., some miners paused some dirt from an old Spanish graveyard and found it yielded 10 cents to the pan. Now the graveyard is staked off in claims.

In Archuleta county, Colo., a company from Missouri has made arrangements to bure for oil at the Navajo oil springs. They are prepared to sink a distance of 2000 test.

The new bridge over the Thle river, on the road between Porterville and Plano, Tulare county, Cal., has been completed. The total length of the structure, including approaches, is 925 teet. It cost \$10,000.

Sheep men of Wyoming predict an over supply of mutton sheen this win-The weather has been fine on the ranges and sheep are in unusually, fine condition. They say the markets will be glutted with sheep.}

George W. Davis, quite an old man, leasing on the Kitchen shaft at Leadvilles, Colo., was working on the dump on Monday when about half a ton of dirt fell on him, crushing his skull and hadly fracturing his back.

The Fort Worth (Texas) packing house began operations on Tuesday Dacking morning; capacity, 1000 hogs and 1000 steers a day. A frangements have been ateers a day. Arrangements have been made by which the place will run coninuously.

The state insurance department of Colorado turned over \$38, 402.56 to the treasury as the result of the year's operations. The corresponding period under the former administration yield ed \$31,281.95.

Thomas Tannian, a sporting man, wee shot and probably fatally wounded by William Gallagher, a little after midnight Sunday at a saloon in San Francisco. It was the result of a quarrel over a girl.

John Myer, about 30 years of age, took an overclose of morphine at Ban Bernardino. Medical assistance was at once procured, and he was removed to the county hospital in a dangerous condition.

Grand Junction and the farmers of Mesa county, Colo., decline to use im-ported poultry. This year they not only raised sufficient poultry to supply home demand, but last week shipped 2500 pounds to other portions of Colorado.

John Mahoney, convicted in the dis-trict court of violating the state quarantine laws at Laramie, Wyo., which provide against bringing into the state sheep affected with the scab, proposes to test the constitutionality of the statute in the higher court.

In the United States district court at Boise, Idaho, the remaining Cour d'Alene contempt cases have been dismissed. The cases were for the viola-tion of an injunction restraining miners from interfering with workmen at the time of the strike last year.

Mrs. Mary Mahoney has been granted a judgment for \$10,000 in a Ban Francisco court for the death of her hushand, who was killed a year ago by a San Francisco and San Mateo Railway electric car. Mahoney was riding in a wagon when a collision occurred, in which he received fatal injuries.

The Las Vegas Optio mentions the serious illness of Thomas O. Boggs at Clayton, N. M. Mr. Boggs settled in New Mexico in 1840 and has been fifty-three years on the frontier. He was a warm iriend of Kit Carson and is a complete encyclopedia of western trontier information.

Columbia river so farithis season was a sturgeon measuring 11 feet 5 inches long and weighing 755 pounds, which was landed at Knappton, Wash, a week or ro ago. The head alone week or so ago. The head alone weighed 151 pounds, and the fish yielded 427 pounds of edible meat.

The trades assembly committee at Denver has decided, inasmuch as it could not effect arbitration with the Consolidated Electric company, that the whole matter he considered by a committee of thirty at a meeting to he held Tuesday evening in the police courtroom.

The Golconda Springs, Nevada, irrigate 1000 acres of land. Besides the natural springs, two artesian wells bave been bored for water supply. One of the wells torows nine inches of water thirty feet above ground and the other well rolls out ten inches of water four feet high. The owner has a honan-zs in the way of alfalfa fields.

Fire broke out on Monday midnight in the basement of the City of Berlin, Market street, San Francisco, owned by Metz & Co. The basement was filled with gloves and ladies' fancy goods. The stock, valued at \$25,000, was destroyed. The entire stock of the store, valued at \$45,000, was insured for \$28,000.

Richard Bagley, general inspector of the Sunset Telephone company at Los Angeles, Cal., has been arrested, charged with stealing a nickel from the pockets of an employe of the company. The workman had missed money and marked some coins. '**Fwo** of these marked pieces were paid by Bagley to the men and his arrest followed.

Governor Hughes of Arizona has pardoned Estabon Dorame, who was serving a ten years' sentence for manslaughter. Dorame was convicted on circumstantial evidence at Tombstone, May 22, 1891, hut recently Domingo Laguna confessed to having commit ed the orime, and is now serving a sentence for the same offense.

It is rumored that there is a project on foot for a German syndicate to put oul 300 acres of hops near this place, says the Payette (Idaho) Independent. We shall await nevelopments with a good deal of interest, because such a move would at once hring this section of the country into prominence it has not heretofore enj-yed, resulting in great benefit to all.

W. C. Barclay, formerly of the ship Elizabeth, which was wrecked near the sutrance of the Golden Gate about three years ago, and who saved the lives of the captain's wife and daughter by swimming with them to the tugboat, has been appointed chief mate of the Reuce, which is loaded with grain at Port Costa, and will sail for Liverpool this week.

The Casper, Wyo., Derrick thinks the coming year will witness greater development in the oil fields than ever before. The filing of hundreds of new locations by monied men and the universai feeling that something is about to drop leads the *Derrick* to predict that the year 1893 will be remembered as the one from which Casper's greatness will date.

Daniel Smith, a resident of Alameontier information. The largest fish caught in the while at work on a dredger in the