

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

There are twenty-one persons in Monterey county, Cal., who own more than 9,000 acres of land each. There are several estates of 30,000 and 40,000 acres in that county.

Arrangements have already been made for the shipment of over 10,000 head of Mexican cattle from Deming, N. M., after the first quarantine is raised on November 1st.

Water is getting very scarce at Kaysville, Davis county, and in consequence people are beginning to talk about building reservoirs and making such improvements as will tend to save the little water that does come down from the hills.

On Monday evening Sheriff Turner arrested Mira O., wife of Thomas Obrey, and Samuel K. Obrey, her husband's brother, on a charge of adultery, preferred against them by the husband. All the parties live at Paradise.

The Idaho State Horticultural society will hold its first semi-annual meeting at Fayette, September 18th and 19th. The society meets to discuss the condition of the orchards, the best methods of growing them, the causes of failure and the best methods of combating the obstacles in the way of success.

Lock Woo, a Chinese, was stabbed to death at The Dalles, Oregon, Wednesday by three of his countrymen. Two of them held him while the third drove a long butcher-knife into his body just below the heart. They then ran away, leaving the knife in the body. The wounded Chinese died shortly afterward. The killing was an act of revenge growing out of a highbinder row.

Subscriptions to the bonus of \$500,000 for a branch of the California, Oregon and Idaho railway, from Eureka to Red Bluff, to connect with the Chicago and Northwestern at Casper, Wyo., are still coming in and the \$80,000 yet lacking is gradually being made up. C. G. Stafford, the mayor of Eureka, Cal., guarantees, as the president of the Elk River Mill and Lumber company, \$5,000, with a further personal guarantee of \$1,000.

The success of the great editorial convention at Salt Lake is assured. Delegates are going from every quarter. The Wisconsin association is on its way there in a special train. Thirty Louisiana delegates start Friday. A big crowd is going from Colorado. Last evening a contract was made to banquet 500 people at Saltair. Every detail of the convention and entertainment is being completed. The visitors will have a grand time.—Glenwood Springs Advocate.

The teachers of Davis county will hold their annual institute during the week, beginning August 27th, and ending August 31st, says the *Clipper*. Prof. Brimhall has been employed as the regular instructor. He will deliver fifteen lectures on psychology, school management and philosophy of education. Mr. S. S. Stewart is the instructor on physical training and school music. Commissioner Lewis will lecture before the public at Farm-

ington Wednesday evening. There will also be other public lectures during the week.

At Magalia, Cal., Friday, George Crandall and George Tyler were cutting out of the Magalia shaft, which is 260 feet deep, when a timber fell from above. They had got up about sixty feet when the accident occurred. Crandall was struck upon the head and knocked to the bottom of the shaft and killed instantly. Tyler was struck upon the arm, but retained his position and was not seriously injured. When the miners reached Crandall he was dead, and it is thought the blow of the falling timber killed him. He leaves a widow and four young children.

Gov. Hughes, of Arizona, has paroled several inmates of the penitentiary under the parole law passed by the last legislature. The conditions of the parole are that the paroled person shall abstain from intoxicating drink; shall render service to reimburse the territory, in whole or in part for the cost and conviction; in a case of larceny to reimburse the victim of his theft. Employment on public institutions will be given the paroled to enable them to earn the amount required. If the scheme works well, other prisoners will be released on parole.

Dr. O. W. Searling, an aged physician, dropped dead in San Francisco Thursday evening from heart disease. A few minutes prior to his death he had become greatly worked up over the arrest of an intoxicated individual. Searling happened along and took exception to the way the man was being handled by the policeman. Searling thought he was being abused. He remonstrated, and before the trouble was ended the old man was greatly agitated. He had been troubled with heart disease for some time. The unusual excitement overcame him and he succumbed after he had walked two blocks.

John T. Watkins, who resides on the left of the street on entering Midway, met with a severe loss about noon Wednesday, says the Wasatch county *Wave*. The fire spread soon after the burning of about 40x28x16 feet in size in ruins. This was not all, however, for only the night before he had put the last load of his hay crop of about twenty-five tons in the mow which was also destroyed, together with his only span of horses. Children had been playing with fire about an hour before in the neighborhood of the barn, which was the cause of the conflagration. As is generally the case on such occasions, none of the family were at home when the fire broke out. There was no insurance.

A rough-and-tumble fight occurred at Turner's hall in Heber City last Monday evening about 10 o'clock, says the *Wave*. During the dance, Levi Turner, who generally has charge of the hall, recognized one Walter Phillips, a young man from Park City, as the fellow who at the dance on July 24th gave him a \$1 bill in purchasing a ticket, which sold at 50 cents. Mr. Turner, thinking it was a \$5 certificate, gave Phillips \$4.50 back as change.

He soon after discovered his mistake, but upon looking around for his man he found that he had left the dance at Turner's, and he has not shown up any time since until Monday night. Then the matter came up, the lie was passed between Phillips's partner, Wm. McLaughlin, and Moroni Turner, in which McLaughlin was badly beaten.

Glenwood Springs, Colo., *Avalanche*: About one year ago G. W. Darrow took up eighty acres of land adjoining the townsite on the north and a week ago he secured his patent for it. The other day as Mr. Darrow and H. K. Deveraux were examining the property they heard a whistling sound coming from the earth, and they investigated and found a large hole in the side of the mountain out of which the wind was coming rapidly, causing the noise they had heard. Men were hired to make the hole larger, so that it could be entered, and when ingress was possible eight large caverns were discovered. These caverns are all very beautiful, and Mr. Darrow has decided to make extensive improvements, so that Glenwood will have another great attraction. They will be called the Ute Caverns.

Arthur H. Dodge, formerly proprietor of the San Miguel *Courier* and lately a resident of San Rafael, Cal., with his mother attempted to commit suicide Friday evening. Dodge, who has been suffering for the last three years from spinal troubles, being unable to obtain employment and without means, decided to end his life and save his mother the same. Having sold everything of value they possessed, Mrs. Dodge surrendered her wedding ring to a pawnbroker for 30 cents, with which they purchased morphine. The dose taken was five grains each, but, owing to the weakened condition of their stomachs, due to the lack of food, they were unable to retain the poison. They afterward procured chloroform, which evidently had the same effect, as when found both were alive and suffering tortures. After receiving the attention of a doctor it was found that neither had tasted food for three days and were without a single article that could be sold to afford them relief. The neighbors, who had been ignorant of their condition, immediately went to their aid, and Mrs. Dodge, who is 74 years old, is now pronounced out of danger. Dodge was placed in jail as he still threatens to commit suicide.

Deputy Sheriffs Lane and Hugh Smith were roughly handled at Oakland, Cal., by a crowd of canvassers belonging to Wallace's circus on Tuesday night. The officers had gone to the tent to serve summonses upon the Powers brothers, trick bicyclists, who were among the performers. When Lane and Smith attempted to reach the performers as they left the ring twenty-five circus hands surrounded them with clubs and drove the officers back. Smith was struck a heavy blow with a club on the back of his head. The officers feared to draw their pistols, as they were afraid that some innocent person might be hurt. The fight occurred in the main tent during the performance. It caused great excitement among the audience. The summons was in a suit brought by a local bill collector, who held an as-