

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

Number of deaths from each cause as classified below: Zymotic, 7; constitutional, 8; nervous, 7; circulatory, 2; respiratory, 5; digestive, 5; genito-urinary, 5; accident, 1; other cause, 7. Out of the above deaths twenty-three of the deceased were males and twenty-four females; 45 were white and 2 colored; 15 married, 11 widows, 2 widowers, 18 single and 1 not given.

Nativities—Utah, 15; other parts of the United States, 9; foreign, 21; not stated, 2.

Number of bodies received for interment from elsewhere, 24, and 9 shipped to other places for interment.

There were 52 bodies buried in the Salt Lake City cemetery and 10 in Mount Olivet.

The county records show that there have been 73 marriage licenses issued.

Births—Males, 52; females, 53; white, 103; colored, 1; sex not given, 1.

Contagious diseases, 12; diphtheria, 1; typhoid fever, 2; whooping cough, 1.

Food condemned—Beef, 100 lbs.; fish, 365 lbs.; fruit, 6,409 lbs.; poultry, 200 lbs.; vegetables, 400 lbs.; eggs, 8 doz.

Burned at crematory—Garbage, 131 loads; vegetables, 400 lbs.; cabbage, 4,400 lbs.; swill, 2,700 lbs.; onions, 27 lbs.; fish, 365 lbs.; fruit, 6,409 lbs.; eggs, 4 cases; meats, 100 lbs.; chickens, 200 lbs.; dead cows, 17; cats, 3; dogs, 56; horses, 11; pigs, 11; sheep, 1; total estimated cubic yards, 550.

IN WEST VIRGINIA.

METZ, Marjón Co., West Virginia,
April 26, 1896.

The NEWS comes to hand regularly, and it always finds a warm welcome with the Elders. I left my home on August 27th, 1895, to fill a mission to the Northern States. I was called to labor for a short time in Randolph Co., West Virginia, with Elder Belle, of Hyde Park. We made many friends. Our meetings were well attended and many were seeking after the truth. The prospects are that in the near future some will obey the Gospel.

November 20th our field of labor was changed to Wetzel Co., West Virginia. Since that time we have held something over seventy meetings, which have been well attended. The spirit of inquiry is very strong. The former hatred and prejudice is disappearing, and many are anxious to hear the Gospel. I have every reason to believe that many will obey the truth in the near future. Houses are open for us to preach in wherever we go, and we cannot fill the call always.

We have just held conference in La Belle, Randolph Co. Elder Belle was released to return home and Elder A. M. Brown, from Pleasant Green, Salt Lake Co., has been appointed to labor with me.

WM. HILL.

Sunday night an immense landslide rushed down over the high bank at the North Bloomfield gravel mine near Nevada City, Cal. A miner named Albert Martins was killed by being struck by some of the debris. Eugene Trudell had his left arm broken and James Cummings was severely bruised. The latter was buried by the dirt, but managed to extricate himself. The dead man leaves a wife and two small children.

Nogales, Arizona, is to have a telephone system.

There are 105 students in the Arizona territorial university.

California cities have had a great time this spring with floral festivals.

Prospective coal lands are being exploited five miles from San Bernardino, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Miller of Salt Lake were at the Palace hotel, San Francisco, on Wednesday.

Richard Wheeler, a prominent member of the Y. M. C. A. of Oakland, Cal., has disappeared mysteriously.

F. H. Smith, a dentist of San Luis Obispo, Cal., fell from a horse Tuesday and died from the injuries received.

Seattle (Wash.) has a genuine case of leprosy. The afflicted person is a Danish sailor who landed there a fortnight ago.

Charles Albright of Marshfield, Oregon, killed his wife on Feb. 18, and today, May 11, was sentenced to be hanged.

Fred McGanghey, of Los Angeles, Cal., fell twelve feet down an elevator shaft on Friday, receiving fatal injuries.

San Bernardino, Cal., boasts a Chinese vegetable vendor who speaks German more fluently than he does English.

T. H. Palmer, a well known architect of Los Angeles, Cal., has disappeared, and his family and friends are greatly worried.

The old Fort Lowell reservation is shortly to be appraised. An agent of the Interior department is now said to be in Arizona for that purpose.

The Western Union has completed its telegraph line from Ash Fork to Prescott, Arizona, and shortly the service will be extended to Phoenix.

The Southern Pacific railway employees' mutual benefit association has a surplus of \$65,000 in its treasury. It paid out \$15,000 in benefits the past year.

Mrs. S. J. Churchill, Prohibition candidate for school trustee in San Jose, Cal., has filed a statement showing that her election expenses amounted to \$1.

The outlook for the cattle industry in southern Nevada is bad. There were very few storms last winter and there is but little feed in the mountains.

It is estimated that at least 30,000 head of cattle from Idaho, Utah, Oregon, New Mexico and Arizona will be taken into the Milk river country, Montana, this year.

Cy Williams, a hotel keeper at Maricopa Junction, Arizona, was shot and killed by George Williams of Jerome, Arizona, on Monday, in a row over the price of a drink of liquor.

An Austrian laborer stole an onion in Bakersfield, Cal., Tuesday, and was arrested. Justice Fox discharged the onion-stealer, who, out of gratitude, kissed the court's hand.

Woman suffrage conventions are the order of the day in California. The suffrage workers are making a hercu-

lean effort to have equal suffrage adopted in the Golden state at the November election.

Phoenix, Arizona, has a good government club, which has a membership limited to 100, whose object is to reduce government expenses to the lowest sum, and if possible to reduce taxes to a two-per-cent basis.

Five hundred fishermen visited Desdemona Sands, Oregon, Friday afternoon and destroyed a large number of fish traps. The sands are adjacent to Sand Island, which is occupied by government troops.

It is said that heroic measures are being taken by the board of health at the City of Mexico to check an epidemic of measles. Numerous deaths have occurred among the adults as well as children of the capital.

The dead body of a man, mutilated by coyotes, was discovered near Spanish Springs, Nev., Tuesday evening. It is supposed to be that of Patrick Morrill, a plumber, who mysteriously disappeared about six weeks ago.

Joe Castro, laborer, was accidentally shot by his baby niece at Oakland, Cal., Tuesday. He laid his pistol on the table close to the child, who seized it at the trigger and accidentally discharged it. The wound is not fatal.

The fastest passenger trains on the Pacific coast are those south of San Fernando, Cal., says the Clio-graph. Local trains, both on the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific, make over sixty miles an hour, between stations, every day.

A local sign painter has been called upon by two fair women, who asked the probable cost of a barber pole. They said that they intended to start a barber shop here in which two women will act the part of tonsorial artists.—Bakersfield, Cal., Echo.

Recently Mrs. R. K. Springer was badly burned at Weston, Or. She was about to retire, when the lamp that was upon the table by the bedside exploded, setting fire to her clothing. She was badly but not fatally burned about the breast and face.

William Roche, for many years chief of police of Tucson, Arizona, committed suicide Sunday night. The act was the result of despondency growing out of the death a few weeks ago of his son. He drank heavily and was discharged from the police force.

J. L. Davie, mayor of Oakland, Cal., attempted to separate two politicians who were engaged in a fight on Tuesday, and was roughly handled. The mayor stopped the fight when one of the contestants was so badly battered that he needed a doctor's attention.

The Everett (Wash.) News says Jim Hill has secured all the water front for a distance of thirty miles between Seattle and Marysville. The News believes this will be an injury to that portion of the sound, because, it claims, not even a log can be put into the sound without Mr. Hill's permission.

Governor Budd of California has called upon the state officials to stamp out splenic fever among the cattle of the state. He asserts that the law re-