NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Lively Scene Among Gamblers at a Sacramento, Cala., Hotel.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

Bitten By a Rattlesnake—A Coachman Herded to Death.—Destructive Rabbits.

H. Chadwick, a commercial, has committed suicide in Pinto de Lobo, eighty miles southeast of Las Vegas, N. M. Having taken a bottle, he placed a cinchpin in the pit of his stomach and fired, blowing an immense hole in his body from which he died in a short time. The cause of the act is not known.

Saturday night Ed Dolson, a gambler, while playing with a panel at Pendleton, Oregon, dropped it. The weight was discovered, the outlaw striking Jessie Walton, a sporting woman, in the mouth, much resembling a few minutes. The coroner's jury charges Dolson with manslaughter.

Annie Caldwell, a Stockton, Cala., courtesan, was hastily turned in her room early on Sunday morning and died the same night. She was smoking a cigarette and it dropped on the street, setting the bed on fire. The flames burned her limbs and body frightfully, and her hair was burned close to her head.

The rabbits are doing considerable damage in crops and young trees on the extensive tracts of unfenced lands lying north and west of Cuthbert, says the Eufaula *Eagle*. These destructive little animals are said to infest those parts by the thousands. They swarm over field, orchard and cottage, doing hundreds of dollars worth of damage. The people there have asked the county to raise the county from two to five cents on rabbits.

Dudley, the horse thief recently pardoned from the Utah penitentiary, was met to the upper end of the county by Willard Grubb, one day last week, says the Salmon City (Idaho) *Recorder*. He was driving about thirty head of horses and was going toward Lost river. Dudley is well known here and if the horses prove to be the property of any of Lemhi's people he will have a chance to see the interior of the Idaho penitentiary.

A shepherder named Myers was bitten on the hand by a rattlesnake the other day on Shafer creek, Idaho. The hand at once commenced to swell and the plucky herder cut the lacerated portion out and then made a deep incision in his arm above from which the blood flowed freely. He applied salve to the wound, and, although the arm was swollen to twice its natural size, the herder recovered completely from the effects of the rattler's deadly bite.

Railroad officials at Sacramento, Cal., are deeply concerned over a daring robbery at Davisville early on Saturday morning. A man, whose head and shoulders were covered with a grain sack, entered the station at that place, and at the point of a revolver demanded of Operator McCurdy that he hand over what money was in the office. McCurdy was taken completely by surprise, and did as ordered, the free-booter securing $40.

The coyotes and wolves are giving the sheepmen considerable trouble in different parts of Box Elder county. They are said to be becoming bold and ravenous and are slaughtering and devouring the sheep in large numbers out west. Their nocturnal raids have become so frequent and the extent of their damage so serious a matter that the wool growers have combined in order to raise a fund that they may offer a bounty for the scalp of every coyote or wolf killed in the county. They have already raised about $200 toward this purpose.

An alarm of fire was sounded on Sunday night while the Redondo (Cala.) Union Church social was in progress at the pavilion. The hall was crowded and the entire audience became demoralized. One lady, though standing near an open door, went out through a window and took the sash with her. Soon quiet was restored and the exercises proceeded as usual. The fire had broken out in the free reading-room at the head of the wharf, and it is doubtful whether it was incendiary or proceeded from an upset lamp. The damage was trifling.

Gottfried Wagner, the wealthy Napa, Cal., brewer, who we place was seized last week because he used cancelled revenue stamps, has made an offer to the government to compromise the matter for $1000. The offer will not be accepted. His fine will be as nearly as possible the market value of the beer that was sold improperly stamped. This is estimated at $3000. Wagner will have to settle for whatever figure the revenue department may fix on. He, as they might, if they wished, could decide and sell his entire plant, valued at $40,000.

A prisoner, James Corwin, reached Phoenix, Arizona, recently and succeeded in escaping. Sheriff Smith was detailed to make a fruitless excursion during August. Saturday evening he was arrested by a deputy United States marshal, charged with letting James Hicker, who escaped last March from the Santa Fe jail, and who is wanted in Colorado upon three counts for grand larceny and embezzlement. He perfectly resembles a photograph of Hicker, but denies he is the man. He was arrested at a lodging house in the midst of a Chinese entertainment, and in the act of filling out checks in red ink, all of which, upon the entrance of the officer, he hastened to destroy.

Ed. Wallace has just returned from Green River, says the Rawlins (Wyoming) Herald, where he was called up the numerous disappearance of Johnnie Wallace, his brother. The particulars of his disappearance are as follows: He was visiting at Pat Mace's ranch, about sixty-five miles from Green River, and as he was leaving unwell he decided to return to Green River, in company with Mace's men, he left the ranch at Tom Wooding's stage station on Horse Fork, about five miles distant, to walk to take the stage from that place to Green River. He arrived in town at that day's stage, and decided to walk to Wooding's until the boat should arrive. The following day, Wooding reports, he acted in her quietly, and along about two o'clock he told Wooding that he was going to leave and go to another place. Wooding tried to persuade him to stay, but Wallace had an idea that somebody was going to kill him and surreptitiously robbed. He secured his grip, and Wooding directed him to the last ranch, about a mile distant. He hasten the next morning that Wallace had not arrived there, and started out in search for him. He found his grip and overcoat about half a mile from his place, and followed Wallace's trail to Horse Fork creek, about a quarter of a mile distant in a straight line, but here the trail was lost. A party searching thirty men have searched on a week, up and down the creek and over the surrounding country into Utah, but not a trace of the missing man has been found. It is believed he has apparently wandered aimlessly for has wandered away and perished, but all hope has not yet been abandoned and searchers are still out.

There was lively sport at the Western Hotel, Sacramento, Cala., on Saturday afternoon. Dealer Ed Jack had it intimated that a certain well known gamblers were to operate in opposition to Sheriff O'Neil and he had the sheriff come at the hour most convenient for a fine time and, having been informed that a certain well known gambler was in the house, he had the sheriff search the premises. The sheriff went in a new name and, both as dripping and met the Captain Blasing and shove in for the game. They brought a goodly number evidence sufficient to convict the gamblers. When the officers received the sufficient they found the cards scattered by heavy carpets, the decks of which were plastered with bedbed bugs, of which a well-stocked establishment boasts in abundance. Dealer Jack was in a game, but when Captain Blasing arrived the bedbed bugs the door on his face. In a moment all was in the house and Captain Blasing sent to the sheriff's office for instruments. Deputy Sheriff Brady arrived and then William Hall, manager of the game, threw open the door, but, save the absence of the game, no one was present. The players, if there were any, had vanished. When Smith called in vain, Hall and H. F. Bates, a dealer, rushed at him, knocking him in the money, and had it not been for Captain Blasing he would have been roughly handled. After entering the room Smith drew a revolver and warned the players and to attempt to escape. He then placed the wagon and placed the sheriff in the guard. Captain Healey was called to the room several of the gamesters present scattered around Smith, and during the attempt he would lose one of them surreptitiously placed the sheriff's pocket and succeeded the evidence. Smith did not realize that he had lost the evidence until he emerged from the room after having been given a pistol by Captain Healey. There were no arrests, the gamblers having escaped from the room after having been given a pistol by Captain Healey. There were no arrests, the gamblers having escaped from the room before officers arrived.

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