NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Harvest-Maker Commits a Murderous Assault Upon His Daughter.

IMPORTANT DECISION IN IDAHO.

Sensational Escape From a Penitentiary.—A Colored Woman Shoots Her White Husband, Etc.

Tucson, Ariz., is to be connected by telephone with Nogales, on the Mexican line.

Near Delta, Colo., U. B. Newell of Louisville, will plant a 45-acre orchard next spring.

At Tombstone, Ariz., the San Diego cracker line has been purchased for removal to Silver City, N. M.

The Sunflower Valley creamery, near Trinidad, is now running to its full capacity with profitable results.

Washington county, Colo., will receive an addition of fifty families this spring through the Burlington railroad agencies.

The taking of testimony in the trial of Dr. Weir for the murder of Addie Gilbert, the Colusa sillicer, was commenced on Monday in San Francisco.

The Trinidad anti-gambling crusade has stirred the church people. No more fairs, ring games, raffles or prize guessing will be permitted in Trinidad.

The Atlantic and Pacific railroad lines in Mohave county, Ariz., having now paid something to $19,000, one-half of county taxes are now delinquent in Mohave county.

Dillon, Mont., has let its waterworks contract to a Boise firm of worldwide fame. The work will be begun in February, and the water is to be let into the mains before the end of June.

At Crested Butte, Colo., the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co. last week paid the miners their wages for October, 1893, having three months pay still due. The men are required to receive a new 10-cent dollar.

Three convict "trusties" escaped from the Colorado State Penitentiary on Sunday. They secured three of the use horses, with which they made their escape. They were not missed for some time. Officers are in pursuit.

Near Hammerville, Colo., one night last week Charles Dunnis, a miner ran a race for life with a mountain lion which pursued his passage over the ranch. As Dunnis had snow shoes and the lion had none, Dunnis reached town first.

Clear Creek county, Colo., last year returned its indebtedness from $40,000 to $35,000. As there was a falling off in the collections of 15 per cent in 1893, saving of nearly $5,000 in county indebtedness is a splendid showing for Clear Creek county.

Jesse Bacompaiver, a retired woman, died down south in her bedroom, a vision seen, at Cripple Creek, being at an early hour Tuesday morning. Here was slightly under the influence of liquor at the time and no one was near. None of the bells rang at 6 o'clock. Jesse was arrested.

Minnie, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Miss Canton, a prosperous farmer near Glencoe, Nevada, was thrown by her horse on Monday afternoon, fracturing her skull. The injuries thus the horse from her team and they have hopes of her recovery.

An effort was made Monday, at San Jose, to quash the indictments of the grand jury against H. M. Leonard, of the wrecked Santa Clara Bank, on the grounds that the jury was illegally drawn. The motion of Leonard's attorney did not prevail. The defendant is out on $14,000 bail.

In 1862, says the Gering Neb., Sun, John C. Fremont, the famous explorer, camped near the present site of the town of Fairmont, Nebraska. He forwarded dispatches from the point to Washington and among an statements he is to have found these words: "It never rains in Nebraska; this is the great American desert." The eighty acre tract he camped on, last month, for $1,500 and is reported cheap for the money.

Judge Beatty, United States Judge in Idaho, has issued an order restraining the interior department from opening the lands of Colonel Craig from the Nez Perces Indian reservation. Craig settled on the reservation long ago, under the Oregon donation act of 1848, and applied for patent in 1889. The Indian treaty recognizes his right to the land, but patent has never issued, and the government tried to eject him.

Ed Gillespie, a well known milkman died last time. While delivering milk on Tuesday at Louisville, Colo., he complained of the intense heat of the sun, when a runaway horse drawing a heavily laden sled darted around the corner and struck him. He was picked up and carried to his home in an unconscious condition and horribly crushed. His right leg was crushed to a pulp, while the left leg was badly injured. His injuries are thought to be fatal.

Eugene Creagh will a barmen usher, was arrested on Monday night for assault to commit murder at Nacozari, Col. The victim was his daughter, Miss Annie T. Creagh, and a teacher in the Hector. Mrs. Creagh attempted to stop the assault, receiving a large contusion upon her cheek. Creagh will, who does not live with his family, went to their home and was thrown out by an adult son. While the father and son were scuffling on the sidewalk the daughter was cut and was cut. Her injuries are not dangerous.

Information has been received in Phoenix, Arizona, that at Williams, Mrs. Joseph took her husband's brains out with a hatchet while he was asleep. Joseph was an Atlantic & Pacific engineer, running from Williams to Peach Springs. The trouble is said to have grown out of a visit a relative by Joseph, where his wife and two children, followed him, and where the wife was almost killed by a female singer, a colored woman employed in the saloon. From appearances at least the affair looks very much like a premeditated murder, says the Phoenix Gazette.

The state supreme court of Idaho has handed down an important decision in a case involving many prominent and wealthy citizens against certain county officials who are charged with taking too in excess of the specified salaries. Suit was brought to have the commissioners removed summarily for disobeying the practice. Judge Sullivan of the district court, decided the case on the grounds that the matter is a civil one and not criminal, as it was brought in Washington. The decision of the supreme court reverses that of Judge Sullivan, sustaining the writ, and remands the case back for immediate action. Until a decision has will be heard at some one of the usual precedents will probably follow.

For the past few weeks, reports the Cheyenne Sun, there has been going on a quiet little war in this city. The Continental people are finally awakening, and, as a rule, do not care to be left behind. The Fremont company decided to put in an agent here and has some of it shipped. Then the big people, Gill has been as low as 6 cents a gallon, and today for one day got all the air they want for 10 cents a gallon. At present the two companies have agreed to hold the price at this point pending a conference looking to the fixing of the price at 10 cents. If this should be agreed upon, it would be a novelty in the economics of 5 cents a gallon, for oil has been selling ever since the Rocky Mountain people left the market, at 10 cents.

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