NEWS OF THE WEST.

Horrible Burning to Death of a Nineteen-Year-Old Girl.

C. E. MAYNE'S DEATH IS SEAD.

A Mother Who Will Not Believe Her Baby Dead—Montana Elopement—Body Found.

The Parliament of British Columbia meets on January 23rd.

Spokane's (Wash.) poultry show will be held from January 31st to February 8th.

There are now 30,000 head of cattle grazing on the alfalfa fields of the Salt River valley, A. T.

George Bay, a cigar maker of Marysvale, Cal., committed suicide on Friday night. He had been drinking considerably of late.

The San Francisco school board is discussing the closing of two big grammar schools, the Lincoln and Webster, because of lack of funds to continue them.

A Colorado company has taken a bond on the Atlantic and Deep Down mine at Pine Alto, N. M., and started a force of men to work developing the properties.

Numerous cases of diphtheria are reported at Bell, Mont., and the public schools have been ordered closed, rigid quarantine being enforced to prevent it from becoming epidemic.

M. Jahns, Kaiser, New: F. M. Smith and family, who have been residents of this county for several years, left the first of the week for Utah where they will reside in the future.

On last Saturday and Sunday nights thirty-five carloads of oranges were forwarded from Los Angeles over the Southern Pacific, and twenty-nine carloads went East over the Santa Fe route.

Gilbert McNich and Blanche Drowns eloped from Bell, Montana, on Saturday night and were married. The young lady is the third of the family to make the paternal roof in such fashion.

Attorneys from San Diego, Cal., have taken the deposition of Clifton E. Mayne in the San Diego murder case now pending in the Fresno court. Mayne has said more than once, and having that he might not live to give his testimony at the trial, it has been decided to take his deposition.

The Los Angeles, Cal., board of public works has decided to recommend to the city council that the city attorney be directed to present an ordinance which will prohibit the erection or operation of oil refineries within the city limits. Their action was occasioned by the objection of property owners, who declare the refineries a nuisance.

Last Tuesday afternoon, a sixteen-month'old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kemper, who reside on a small chicken ranch near Petaluma, Cal., was seized with sudden and violent convulsions. Medical assistance was hastily summoned, but when the doctor reached the place the child was to all appearances dead. The funeral was set for Thursday, but the mother, not believing her baby dead, refused to allow it to go on. The child is still held at her request, although physicians pronounce it dead. Its cheeks still have the fresh, pink tint of life, so common to children who die suddenly.

The body of Ernest Wyneth, the sheep herder, who left the mail wagon at Opal, Wyo., last week to go to a sheep camp near by, was found by the searching party last Saturday, about three miles from where he had started. The poor fellow, who was subject to epileptic fits, had procured some patent medicine which claimed to be a cure for this disease and had taken large doses of the stuff before leaving Opal. It is presumed that he was so dazed by the effects of the drug that he wandered off from the route he intended to take and subsequently fell in the sage brush where he was found. The nose and mouth are black with the features of the unfortunate man and he presented a ghastly sight when discovered.

Evanston, Wyoming, Herald: On Tuesday Sheriff John R. Ward brought in from Utah and lodged in our county jail, one Edge Cannary, who is charged with placing obstructions upon the Oregon Short Line railway, near Coalville, in this county. The story goes that he drove horses on the track and buried them there, for the purpose of getting them killed, so as to get pay for them from the railway company. This man Cannary can be better identified by the public in general, by reference to his distinguished family connections. He is said to be a brother of the famous "Calamity Jane," one of the well known female characters whose life has been interwoven with many thrilling romances of early frontier life in this locality and the Black Hills. She resided in this county in her early years.

Katy McNamara, a nineteen-year-old girl, was burned to death Friday night at the residence of her parents, Pittsburgh, Cal., despite every effort of her father, who did his utmost to extinguish the flames that enveloped his daughter. The young girl had been suffering for some time with a severe cold, and had been taking medicine, but without any perceptible improvement. Having heard that a flannel cloth saturated with turpentine and laid across the breast would give almost instant relief, she succeeded in try it, and after disposing arranged the flannel beneath her nightdress. Then remembering that the lamp in the kitchen was still burning she took her bedroom candle, and passing into the kitchen, extinguished the light. In trying the back door to see if it was locked she held the lighted candle so close to her person that the fumes of the turpentine ignited and in an instant her scanty clothing was a mass of flames. In her intense agony she screamed for help and her father, springing from his room, grasped a blanket from the bed and dashed to his daughter's aid. He attempted to throw the blanket around the girl, but she eluded him, and before he could succeed in extinguishing the flames the entire upper portion of the trunk of her body, including her neck and face, was burned to a crisp. The services of a physician were procured immediately, but it was only too evident that there was not the slightest chance of saving her life, as the flesh was literally cooked and shrivled away from the bones. After lingering in inconceivable agony for over six hours the young girl's sufferings ended in death.

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