NEWS OF THE WEST.

Shocking Death by the Explosion of a Soda Water Tank.

A CHINESE VICE-CONSUL OUSTED.

Wholesale Pardons in "Gilt-Edge" Counties.—Wyoming Prospects.—Other Items.

A BOILING woolen manufacturing plant is to be built at Casper, Wyo.

Governor Pennoyer of Oregon, has pardoned five prisoners serving lifetime sentences in the state penitentiary.

The Sheridan (Wyo.) county agricultural fair will be held this year on September 19 to 22 inclusive.

The sheep-shearing season about Rawlins, Wyo., is over, and most of the flocks have been driven to the mountains for the summer. About 18,000 were sheared this spring.

The cattle and sheep men about Saratoga, Wyo., are to hold a convention on June 15 to arrange the times of their respective grazing grounds and settle all differences amicably.

Prospectors continue to locate placer claims on the Big Laramie river in Albany county. The Cheyenne outfits have located several hundred acres taken up by Cheyenne and Denver parties last week.

The Idaho *Daily Statesman*, published at Boise, Idaho, reports that almost all the reservoirs and irrigating ditches have been filled up to a foot. There are some left in sheltered places, but the great bulk of the crop is saved.

The faculty of the Nevada state university have taken hold of the matter of saloon men selling blackmailing tickets, and propose to vigorously prosecute every such case. One student has been already suspended for student misconduct, a young man wearing the university uniform.

The $600,000 in bonds issued by the state of California for the erection of a dome depot in San Francisco were sold on Wednesday afternoon by the state treasurer. There were a number of bidders for the bonds. Farson, Leach & Co., bankers of Chicago and New York, were the highest. Their accepted bid was $111.4[illegible] for each $100 bond.

The mandate of the United States Supreme Court, telling settle the decision of the lower court in the case of the government against the Haytian Republic, was filed in the United States District court of Portland, Oregon, on Wednesday, with a notice to the claimants of the only ship so application would be made on the part of the government for a sale of the vessel.

William E. Norlin was instantly killed on Wednesday afternoon at Fossil, in the rear of a candy store by the explosion of a soda water tank. He and another employe named Steele were preparing soda water. Steele was charging the tank, while Norlin was racking it. Suddenly there came an explosion. A piece of the tank struck Norlin in the stomach, almost disemboweling him. The fragments penetrated, and the liver was torn from its place. There was also a big hollow over the heart, where the body of the tank struck him, and most of his ribs were crushed.

Work on the great Rio Verde reservoir and canal enterprise in Arizona will begin shortly. A contract for nearly $2,500,000 has been let that requires the storage and diversion dams and 120 miles of canal completed by January 1, 1896. Horseshoe reservoir, which will be created by the storage dam, occupies the geographical center of Arizona and will cover 3,440 acres. The canal is 8 x 12 miles, and the dam will raise the water 100 feet and will extend 200 feet up and down stream and 300 feet across. It is to be built of dead timber with an impervious layer of asphalt on the water side. A lake six miles long and two miles wide, one-half miles across will be formed thereby.

The Salmon City (Idaho) *Republican* says: "People coming down from the vicinity of Birch creek inform us that that creek is now swarming with trout, and that a great many are having caught from 3 to some weighing as much as four or five pounds. Birch creek is one of the numerous streams of this state that disappear from sight, it sinks into the earth and no one seems to know where its mouth is. The creek never contained any fish until within the last four years. About the last of May, 1893, M. Hewlett, one of the place, Joe Littlefield and Andrew Laugley, of Junction, caught in the seventy-five or more trout in Tenmile creek and Clear creek above Junction, carried them in oil cans thirty miles to Birch creek and turned them loose. These have increased in numbers and size until the creek is now one of the best stocked trout streams in the state."

The high flood which broke through its banks near Woodburn early on Thursday morning, says the Denver *News*, had washed away nearly a quarter of a mile of the tracks of the Denver and Rio Grande and Santa Fe roads. Trains from points south were delayed all day while construction gangs repaired the damage. Passengers were transferred and brought to the city and continued north west out over the Union road. It was found necessary to shut down the headgates of the canal at Fort Collins to allow repairs doubtful to be made. Another crevasse was being started up a Santa Fe night engineer, whose train passed the point about 9 a. m. The engineer felt something wrong in the motion of the train and stopped to find that the track was disappearing. A Rio Grande was at the delayed Santa Fe and Rio Grande passenger trains.

Li Yang Kung is no longer viceroy of the Chinese government at this port, remarks the San Francisco *Chronicle*. A letter of dismissal was received by him on Wednesday from the Chinese minister, Tsing Yuen, who is at Washington. Kung was a strong factor over the efforts of his uncle, Li Hung Chang, who will be appointed viceroy shortly. Trouble has been brewing for Kung for some time, and he issued retirement from official life created no surprise among those who were familiar with the investigation that has been going on for several months. Kung was charged with using his official position to secure the illegal landing of Chinese women, and it was upon that charge that the investigation followed. His removal is evidence that his conduct in such cases was unsatisfactory to the Chinese authorities. The United States, the importation and sale of Chinese girls for immoral purposes was all the rage, brought to the attention of the Chinese minister, Chang, last December, and immediately after his arrival in this country.

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PURSUANT TO AN ORDER AND OF [illegible] issued out of the Third District Court of the Territory of Utah, in the matter of the estate of Thomas Dee, deceased, I will on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1894, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the court house in Salt Lake City, Utah, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of said Thomas Dee, deceased, at the time of his death, in and to the following described real estate, to wit: [illegible] Dated Salt Lake City, Utah, May 16, 1894.

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ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

Lucky Bill Mining Company.

Location of principal place of business, Park City, Summit county, Utah. Location of mill, Park City, Summit county, Utah. Notice is hereby given that at a meeting of the board of trustees held on the 12th day of June, 1894, an assessment of [illegible] per share was levied upon the capital stock of the corporation, payable in gold coin of the United States, to the secretary, at the office of the company, in Park City, Utah, on or before the 12th day of July, 1894, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of the 14th day of August, 1894, will be sold on Saturday, the 25th day of August, 1894, at the office of the company, in Park City, Utah, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale. [illegible] Dated June 12, 1894.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION—TIMBER CULTURE.

U. S. Land Office, Salt Lake City, Utah, May 8, 1894.

COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this office by [illegible] against [illegible] Entry No. [illegible], made March [illegible], 1890, upon the E. ½ of the N. E. ¼ and the N. ½ of the N. E. ¼ of section 31, Township 1 S., Range 1 W., and the [illegible] Section 31, Township 1 S., Range 1 W., in Salt Lake County, Utah, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the [illegible] charging that said [illegible] has not cultivated any part of said tract of land during the period of [illegible] years next after the date of his entry, and that [illegible] Mar. 8, 1893, to March [illegible], 1894, he has not cultivated any part of said tract of land, and that the [illegible] said tract of land during said period, and that [illegible] said tract of land during said period, and that [illegible] said tract of land during said period, and that