

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

Four men in the Cedar River, Mont., placers cleaned up \$18,000, the result of the season's work.

Three naval convicts confined in the naval prison at Vallejo, Cal., have escaped.

The new school house at Mantli is completed and the heating apparatus is daily expected.

Great Falls, Mont., has just added a creamery, an oatmeal factory and a soap manufactory to its other home industrial enterprises.

The farmers of Oregon are coming to the conclusion that fruit raising is more profitable than wheat growing. Many new orchards are being set out.

Guards Stade and Hutchinson, who were on duty at the Denver county jail when two prisoners escaped last week, have been released for carelessness.

Five cases of typhoid fever are reported at Milburn due to impure stream water used for household and drinking purposes.—Mount Pleasant Pyramid.

John Hansen, the wife murderer, who was sentenced to be hanged at Astoria, Or., December 1st, has been granted a stay of execution by the Supreme court.

A Sacramento paper carrier while on his route the other morning was mistaken for a burglar by one of his subscribers, who fired at him with a revolver.

The tail end of the desert wind that struck Tustin, Cal., last week proved a bonanza to the walnut men, relieving them of the necessity of shaking their trees. The last of the crop is all in the sacks.

San Diego, Cal., instead of shipping potatoes is a large buyer. Last week over 2000 sacks were landed at that port. Many of these go to interior points, and some are sent to Lower California.

Fifty thousand tons of beets have been delivered at the Watsonville (Cal.) sugar works, and 35,000 tons more will be delivered before the season closes. Every ton thus delivered means \$5, or a total of \$375,000.

Three-fourths or more of the people of Julesburg county, Col., are against the governor calling a special session of the legislature. They heartily indorse the business men's views that were in this morning's News.

The Jamul ranch, comprising 10,000 acres, in San Diego, Cal., has been conveyed by Henry H. Burton administrator, to H. L. Titus, in liquidation of attorney's fees accruing in eighteen years of litigation.

Judge Pritchard of Los Angeles in a recent decision of a libel case held that a newspaper may denounce a candidate for election in most unmeasured terms provided the denunciation is accompanied by reasonable proof of its truth.

The successful compromise with the company which agreed to take the state wagon road bonds, and became incapable of taking them at the time named in the agreement, means much

for the state during the coming year, says the Idaho Exchange.

The Reno (Nev.) Gazette is funny. There have been, it says, a good many hard cases in Reno lately, but the chief of them all arrived on today's freight train from the east. He was around begging for a piece of looking glass to see himself starve to death.

On Saturday afternoon a hunting party found the dead body of William Codrington hanging to a tree about three miles from Ouray, Col. He was recognized as a man who had been living on a ranch owned by A. Fortman. It was evident that he had committed suicide.

The roundup has started at Glenwood Springs, Colo. In view of the rapidly reducing range and the strong possibilities of a severe winter, says a dispatch, the major portion of the stockmen have decided to pasture and feed all of their stock that they possibly can.

Miss Collins staggered the Santa Ana board of education recently by making a proposition to have her wages as teacher reduced from \$75 to \$72 per month. It was moved that the lady be presented with a pencil sharpener, which was carried, and the reduction was made with entire unanimity.

Hunters report that bear, deer and other wild animals have come down out of the higher mountains and are found in the foothills in larger numbers than usual, and from this they predict that we are to have a hard winter. Animal instinct is often a surer guide than human reason.

A Flindler at the Dalles, Wash., called on a hog buyer the other day and gave him \$4.85 which he said he had received overpayment through a mistake some three years before. The merchant had no recollection of the transaction, but the man seemed to be conscience stricken and insisted on leaving the money.

A report comes from Citole valley, says the Mantli Messenger, that Fred Sorensen and Ed. Luke, while in an altercation with a citizen of that place, were both shot. Luke is reported as very seriously injured, being shot through the breast, and Sorensen received a painful wound in the left arm. Both are residents of Mantli.

Says the Kallispell (Mont.) Graphic: Gensman, the slayer of White, the train robber, is now a free man. The grand jury found no cause for indicting him. Although vindicated by law, he cannot escape the censure of the public, who disapprove of private citizens taking the law into their own hands. Gensman will receive the \$500 reward.

Bailiff Richardson, of the supreme court, says the Denver News, picked up an envelope in chambers about a month ago. Thinking it would be called for he held it a week, and pulling it out found an endorsement on it of F. Y. Allen, of Peoria, Ill. He received a reply yesterday to the effect that it contained \$71,000 in notes and Mr. Allen was very thankful.

Phillip Boogar, a well known capi-

talist, of Oakland, Cal., is lying at the point of death at a private institution in San Francisco. A charge is made that he has been poisoned for the purpose of getting him out of the way. The case is such a strange one that the facts have been reported to the police, and word has been sent to the Oakland detectives to hunt the matter up on that side of the bay.

Secretary Ijams says, remarks the Cheyenne Sun, that a great many cattle are being shipped from this state to the market every day. He says the present season has been a busy one, and that the ranges are nearer bare of cattle now than for many years. The extreme dry condition of the ranges, and the general stiffening up of the market in the past few weeks has caused the shipments.

A fatal accident has occurred to a party of young men out hunting at Reno, Nevada, resulting in the death of Knud Sorensen, a native of Denmark, aged 22 years. One of his companions was taking a cartridge from his gun, when it exploded, and the charge struck Sorensen in the back, near the right side, inflicting a horrible wound that caused almost instant death.

Hibbard & Higgins' gambling house at Market street, Denver, was raided at 10 o'clock on Monday night and the dealers and employees, to the number of nearly a dozen, arrested. The tables, chips, policy wheel and all the other paraphernalia were seized. It is reported, says the Denver News, that the raid was made because the firm refused to subscribe to the recent campaign fund in the gang for Republican interests.

The San Francisco Sanitary league is giving considerable attention to the dairies which supply that city with milk. The object is to ascertain the conditions that obtain among the animals that supply milk to the city. The water and food supply of the cows is investigated as well as the stables, to see that they be kept in a cleanly condition. Among the dairies visited thus far it is said that little has been found to criticize.

Mrs. Ann Powell, while conversing at the breakfast table the other morning, suddenly lost the use of her tongue and her power of articulation. Others at the table noticed the peculiar actions of Mrs. Powell, and went to her assistance, when it was noticed that she could move none of her limbs, a partial paralysis seeming to have spread over her whole body. She is gradually improving, and no further danger is anticipated.—Mount Pleasant Pyramid.

John Eskelsen and his fourteen-year-old son John Jr., of Richmond, were up the canyon Saturday, after wood. As they were snaking a log down the canyon it caught on a stump. The boy got his ax to cut the same loose, and in so doing the ax slipped, cutting his left foot quite badly. He was at once brought to Logan and Dr. Snow amputated his great toe. The rest of the foot will doubtless be saved.—Logan Nation.

The Elko, Nevada, Independent states that a few days since a rancher from Fort Halleck, by the name of McKenzle or McIntyre, took a load of produce to Eureka, and after selling