

fleet during the season just closed amounted in all to twenty-six whales, the smallest known in many years. The yield of bone was 40,000 pounds. It is expected the price will advance to \$5 a pound before sales begin.

Wood River, Idaho, Times: Jim Kellogg is in a dilemma. He wants to go to Salt Lake; but fears to leave lest some story will be sprung on him. There are so many yarns set agolug when a man leaves for points outside the state.

Captain John W. Smith, builder of the Denver, Utah and Pacific railroad in Colorado, and at one time head of several other great enterprises in that state, died at San Francisco Friday, leaving an estate valued at two to five millions.

Several passengers on an electric car at San Jose, Cal., were badly frightened Friday. As the car approached the railroad crossing a train came along. The brakes of the car refused to work, but the train passed before the car reached the track.

Says the Arizona Gazette: Some months ago a Tempe man named his girl baby after Queen Victoria and wrote to the queen to that effect. Not hearing from her majesty, he changed the child's name to Hanna and went out and pounded the first Englishman he met.

A special from Lebanon, Oregon, says: News has just been brought to this city by Stage-driver Flory that the postoffice at Sodaville was robbed Tuesday morning about 3 o'clock. The safe was blown open and about a hundred dollars in money secured. A about sixty of this was postoffice money.

Tramps are getting so numerous at Santa Ana, Cal., and their depredations are becoming so frequent that the citizens are considering the advisability of organizing a vigilance committee. The city trustees are preparing a resolution, and hereafter all loiterers will be arrested and set to breaking rock or put on bread and water.

A fatal accident occurred Tuesday afternoon at Santa Barbara, Cal., while men were excavating for the new Flithian block. Robert Cordero, a Spaniard, was undermining a section preparatory to putting in a blast, when several tons of dirt caved upon him, killing him instantly. Cordero was 28 years of age and married.

Gus Gray and Charles Bailey were arrested Monday on complaint of Charles Brannum, who charges them with assault to murder. A row occurred at a church in Capella, Cal. Brannum struck Gray over the head with a lantern; Gray drew a pistol and shot Brannum in the right leg near the hip; hence the complaint.

Wednesday morning Steward Lewis of the county hospital at Marysville, Cal., went to the iron-latticed room in which two mildly insane patients were kept and made the horrible discovery that one, O. de Yoe, better known as Bucksin Bill, was dead, and that he had been killed by his roommate, Charles Thresher, a German, who had choked him to death.

Judge Wallace, of California, goes considerably farther than the Utah judges in the severity of sentences upon thieves. On Friday he sentenced Richard Kelly, a holdup, and George

H. Gallagher, who forged an order for two barrels of flour, to imprisonment in the penitentiary for thirty-five years. Kelly is 30 and Gallagher 40 years of age; both are old offenders.

For a long time a red cloth canopy has hung over the platform occupied in court by the probate judge of San Francisco county, Cal. This week it was removed because the probate judge insisted that it was a flea-farm, and said he was weary of having to stop in the midst of delivering an important opinion or charge in order to catch and kill the hungry insects.

San Francisco Chronicle, 16th: Yesterday, before Judge Morrow, in the United States circuit court, Col. A. B. Hayes, of Ogden, Utah, continued his argument for the plaintiff in the celebrated copyright case of Simms vs Stanton. This will be the third and concluding day of his argument, which is concise, logical and convincing, and one of the ablest arguments on copyright law ever heard in court.

Tuesday afternoon Willie Ingram, a nine-year-old boy, who was distributing papers for E. B. Finley, the news agent, of Pacific Grove, Cal., was shot, perhaps fatally, by a young companion, Edward Warren, who was carelessly carrying a loaded gun. In some way the trigger caught in the boy's clothing and went off, the charge striking young Ingram in the side and abdomen.

Judge Lorigan, of California, has decided that when the purchaser of a bicycle who leaves title in the seller's name until the wheel is paid for, is responsible for the wheel or its value, even when it is stolen from him. The basis of this decision is that if the purchaser refuses to pay or return the wheel the contract is repudiated, and the balance unpaid becomes a debt.

The skeleton of a man with a few shreds of flesh on it was discovered near Rincon, a few miles south of Riverside, Cal., Saturday night, by a shepherd named Casimira Didier. Didier was herding a flock of sheep when they led him into a clump of tules about sixty feet from the railroad tracks. The deceased had a bullet wound in his skull, and it was evident there had been a murder and an effort to burn the body.

An accident which undoubtedly will result fatally happened on Monday afternoon at Biggs, Cal. While Mrs. Dogan, a very wealthy land owner, was crossing Main street in front of the postoffice, W. G. Pearne, a grain buyer of Gridley, Cal., drove rapidly down the street, and, taking no notice of Mrs. Dogan, ran over her. The nuggy tongue struck her head, crushing the skull. Pearne had been drinking and claims that he did not see her.

Dr. H. W. Harkness, president of the Sacramento, Cal., Academy of Sciences, believes that the death of a number of cattle near old Elk Grove is due to a poisonous fungus growth on the alfalfa of that region. Dr. Harkness appeared before the board of supervisors Tuesday and exhibited specimens of infected grass. The fungi were brown blotches like rust on grass. "The fungi is known as the dothidia," said the scientist, "and it may be found in Italy and in California wherever alfalfa grows. Two years ago I investigated the cause of

the death of several thousand head of cattle at Bakersfield, which had been imported from Arizona. Death was found to have been due to this poisonous growth on the alfalfa. We saved the rest of the herd merely by turning it on a dry field." Dr. Harkness said the fungus is fatal only in the mouth of October. It is washed away by heavy winter rains and after that the alfalfa is wholesome again.

St. John, Kas., News, Nov. 15: The Sunday school of the Latter-day Saints' Church organized a choir last evening. Elder H. W. Noble, Smithfield, Utah, en route to the Indian Territory, on a mission, of the Latter-day Saints' Church, stopped off Monday evening for a visit of a day or two with his brother Elders in charge of the St. John branch and to receive further orders, this city being headquarters of the Indian Territory mission. Large and appreciative congregations greeted the Elders of the Latter-day Saints' Church at their services both afternoon and evening, last Sunday. In the afternoon a well filled house listened to able discourses from Elders Henry Kirkman and Alvin A. Beesley. In the evening every chair in the building was called into use, and still quite a number had to stand. Elders J. C. Lyon and W. D. Bowring occupied the time with able and interesting discourses. The Sunday school which convenes at 10 o'clock a.m., also seems to be on the increase, and everywhere seems to be moving along nicely, and the cause for which "the boys" of this Church are endeavoring to advance, must be progressing if the indications are not at fault; that the services of last Sunday were interesting and pleasing none will deny. The music was fine and those who attended these extra good meetings are loud in their praise of the same, and congratulate this organization on their splendid instrument as well as a superb talent, and to be alone, if nothing more, would prove a drawing card; but we are happy to record the fact that we often hear the cheering words: "I like to hear the boys talk." Let the good work go on.

OBITUARY NOTES.

ANDREW T. CASE.

November 15th, 1895, at his residence in the Ninth ward, Andrew T. Case; born at Wootton, Fitzpayne, Dorsetshire, England, January 31, 1819. Funeral services was held at the Ninth ward meeting house on Monday, November 18, 1895, at 1 p. m.

Brother Case was baptised into the Church on September 18, 1842, by John Ostler; ordained a Priest December 11, 1853; ordained an Elder April 7, 1855; arrived in Salt Lake City August 19, 1868; ordained a High Priest August 30, 1890; officiated as usher at the Tabernacle from April 6, 1869, until 1891, when he was honorably released.

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CATHERINE MANNING.

SALINA, Utah, Nov. 15, 1895.—On Nov. 7th Sister Catherine Manning of this place passed away, leaving a husband and nine children to mourn her loss. Sister Manning was born in Haffordshire, England, April 22, 1838, and emigrated to America with her parents, Robert and Catherine Watkins, in 1842. They lived in Nauvoo until 1852 when