NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Merchant Dies in a Few Hours After His Son's Wedding.

NOT BECAUSE OF A JOKE.

A Teller Asphyxiated—Belasiler's Suicide—Heavy Gale—The Great Salt Storm.

William Wrisley, the defaulting teller of the Grange's bank, San Francisco, who disappeared a few days ago, is believed to have committed suicide.

Harris Coleman, a tailor, who lived in San Francisco, was suffocated by gas in his room Wednesday morning. From the fact that he had been in good spirits it is believed that the asphyxiation was accidental.

Reports continue to come in of the heavy deposit of salt from Great Salt Lake on the 2nd inst., over various parts of Idaho and Wyoming. A correspondent has been made in the town of Alma, Wyoming, showing that at less than twenty-seven feet of salt fell in the town during the storm.

Frederick C. Hazen of South Riverside, Cal., shot and instantly killed S.E. Cooke Wednesday night. Cooke had poured some whisky on Mr. Hazen's head. This angered Mr. Hazen and he attempted to shoot Cooke. He was prevented for the moment, but finally got hold of a Winchester rifle and shot Cooke, but before Cooke had died a couple of revolver shots at Hazen without effect.

Benedict Feigenbaum, for many years head of the firm of Feigenbaum & Co., wholesale hat dealers of San Francisco, died on Wednesday, a few hours after the marriage of his eldest daughter to Miss Gertrude Naphtaly. Benedict Feigenbaum was in good health, and when he was attacked by pneumonia five days before, his friends were not considered serious. But the fever was complicated with typhoid pneumonia. Still the patient did not think that he was seriously ill, and when his son spoke of postponing the wedding, the latter learned to his chagrin that he was to consent to alter the arrangements for the happy event, and that he himself felt strong enough to attend the festivities. But for the physician's strenuous objections he would have attended the ceremony.

Flagstaff, Arizona Democrat: Arizona's design in the Chicago basin is a marvelous piece of natural architecture. The rock spires have been laid by nature with all the nicety of human handiwork. The structure is of solid rock and the surface is as level as a floor. It is 300 feet in length and 200 feet below the rippling river, fine sand and sparkling in the sunlight. Interspersed about the walls of the canyon are many caves which are wonders in themselves. One may boast an entrance so low and in the canyon and so vast far away from the starting point. Suspended from the ceilings of the caves are beautiful pendant stalactites. Tapping upon them produces a pretty musical effect and one can imagine the tones to be a Gabriel echo along through the gloomy caverns until the waves of sound are lost in space.

Preston, Idaho, New Era: On Saturday, President Hale and Cowley went to Cullen for the purpose of reorganizing the bishopric of that ward, Bishop Farmer having resigned. Ernest S. Farmer was sustained Bishop, with Andrew Henderson as his first and M. Henderson Jr. as his second counselor. The two first named were counselors of Bishop Farmer. The new bishopric was heartily sustained by the vote of the people of the ward. Their appointments seem to give general satisfaction in Cullen. We trust that Bishop Farmer and his counselors may work in harmony with each other and have a united support of the people over which they will preside. The people over there speak highly of their late bishop and say that he has been a good one in the position and that it is due to his energies that they have a fine new meeting house all finished.

Solomon Davis, of Union, Cal., has gone to Cullen county, to see his mother, who is 105 years old. Mr. Davis is 75. He is a hard-working man and has lived in Mendocino county many years. He left his home in the East years ago, since then he heard that his mother was dead. A few years later his mother was told that he was dead, and she believed it, for she had not heard from Solomon for many years. A few weeks ago Solomon heard through a friend who had been in Cullen county that an old lady named Davis was in the county hospital there. He concluded he would go and see her. When he reached there he found that it was indeed his mother, and mother and son had a joyful meeting. He remained with her a few days and returned to Ukiah to prepare a home for her. He is not wealthy, but he has a nice little home fixed up, and now he has gone to take his mother there.

The Rev. Dr. J. Avery Shepherd had a very narrow escape from death at Santa Rosa, Cal., Monday night. He is nearly 80 years old. He is strong and active in body and mind for his age, and his wonderful vitality has been the delight of all his many friends here. He had a number of startling spells during the past few months, and Monday evening, when he went to step out of his cozy little house, as he did the library, he had one of these spells, reeled and fell from the step in such a manner that his face struck the ground. He could not move and would, no doubt, have perished in the cold had it not been for Miss Marion, a daughter of Robert A. Thompson, editor of the Santa Rosa Democrat. Miss Thompson had occasion to step to the doctor's door and almost stumbled over his prostrate form. She extended help at once, and a physician was called. He was unconscious when found and could not have lasted long if he was lying in a pool of water. Dr. Shepherd was present when the Independence congress first met, and gave the opening prayer.

Economy is something that every body tries to practice, and just a little oversight will sometimes rob the most frugal and thrifty family of a year's saving. You want to do as J. P. Hickman, of Montmorenci, Ga., did. He writes: "For six years I have kept Simmons Liver Regulator in my house, and used it in my family and have no need for a doctor. I have five as healthy children as you can find."

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