

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

An insane Italian wandered away from his home near San Francisco a few days ago and was not seen until his remains were found on the Southern Pacific track. He had been cut in two by an engine.

The little son of John Peterson, of Hinckley, says the Millard *Progress*, fell under a moving wagon last Friday and while not dangerously injured was painfully bruised about the legs and one hand badly lacerated.

Al Kenison, an Auburn, Cal., saloon-keeper, was stood up Sunday night at 12 o'clock by two masked highwaymen, and robbed of \$700. Kenison was made to open his safe at the point of a pistol. The robbers escaped. Officers are in pursuit.

A disastrous fire, causing the loss of many thousand dollars' worth of property, broke out in Goldberg, Bowen & Lebanbaum's grocery establishment at San Francisco on Monday morning. The estimated loss will reach at least a quarter of a million dollars.

Albin Kuhn, a twelve-year-old boy, was run over and killed by a gravel train in the Red Bluff yard, Colo. He was standing on a flat car, when the train started suddenly, throwing him under the wheels. His head was severed from his body.

The residence of George W. Brown, a Cheyenne, Wyo., jeweler, was damaged by fire Tuesday morning. The blaze was started by the explosion of a gasoline stove. Nearly all the furniture was removed. The loss is about \$500, partially recovered by insurance.

Garland Baker, a well known citizen of San Diego, Cal., has been sentenced to nine years and six months at the Folsom penitentiary for passing counterfeit money. C. C. Smith, another well known San Diegan, was sentenced to five years at Folsom for the same offense.

The De Lamar (Idaho) company has suspended work on the artesian well in Cedar wash. The well has reached a depth of nearly 200 feet, but no artesian flow of nearly 200 feet, ever, the water raises to within about fifty feet of the surface, and will be pumped out from that point.

The power-house of the Willamette Steam Mills and Lumbering company, better known as Weidner's mill, at Portland, Or., was burned Sunday afternoon. The plant was very valuable and was almost ruined. The total loss will reach \$150,000. There was no insurance on that portion of the mill.

A young woman hanged herself in the home for the inebriates at San Francisco on Monday morning. When she was carried into the institution eight days before she believed that she was being taken to St. Luke's hospital. When she learned where she was the dread of death in the place drove her to suicide.

P. N. Stamps, a well known printer of Los Angeles, dropped dead at his home in Los Angeles on Monday evening. Death was the result of the bursting of a blood vessel at the base of the

brain. Mr. Stamps was a member of the Typographical union of that city, and has held the positions of president and treasurer of that organization.

A meeting of some of the leading dentists of the state of Nevada was held in Thompson's hall at Reno last Saturday evening, and a state organization perfected. The object of the association is to protect the dentists and the public from the traveling quacks that have for many years interested this state.

On Thursday afternoon attachment papers were served upon the Sacramento, Cal., *Evening Times*, the Populist organ. Suit was brought against the paper by Joseph Byrne, a solicitor and reporter, for \$211, for wages. At last accounts the proprietors were hustling around for bondsmen in order to release the attachment.

A man from Tobacco Plains, Mont., ninety miles north of Kalispel, Monday morning brought the news of a murder. The bearer of the message was a Polander, who could not speak English. He had an envelope upon the back of which was written "Tell sheriff to come at once; man murdered here." No other details could be obtained.

Payette (Idaho) *Independent*: Mr. Pencer returned from Long valley with his cattle Monday evening. Upon arriving at the point where his cattle were being held he found the report to be true that thirty-seven head had been driven into a small corral under cover of darkness and shot down. Why such a deed should have been committed Mr. Pencer is unable to understand.

A Helena (Mont.) deputy sheriff has captured Frank K. Cunningham, who is charged with embezzling nearly \$700 from the Great Northern Express company's office at Big Sandy. Cunningham had been in the employ of the express company only one week. About October 31st, it is charged, he left for Havre with all the company's money and paper that he could get hold of.

Says the Cheyenne *Leader*: Secretary Ijams of the stock commission has received the returns from a stray steer shipped from Sundance to Omaha. The animal weighed 1,930 pounds and brought \$5.25 a hundred, making \$103.95. Deducting the cost of freight, yardage, commission and feed, the steer netted \$99.30. This is the largest animal marketed in years. One several years ago netted its owner \$85.

Ground will be broken at Florence, Colo., next week for the largest cyanide plant in existence for the treatment of gold ore, the South African tanks being exclusively occupied with the treatment of tailings from the stamp mills. The new enterprise is inaugurated by Denver and foreign capital, the Denver men, as has been the case since Colorado's gold movement set in, taking the lead.

The Cheyenne *Tribune* says: The troops at Fort McKinney will board the cars at Clearmont on Wednesday morning, bound for Fort Russell and Robinson. Those coming here will arrive over the Burlington on the

evening of November 8th. There will be thirteen officers, 171 men and thirty-eight women, making a total of 222 persons who will take up their residence at Fort Russell.

An unknown man, apparently about 35 years of age and roughly dressed, was killed in the Rossmore lodging house at Stockton street, San Francisco, Monday night between 11 and 12 o'clock. The cause of his death is a mystery. The story told by the proprietor is to the effect that the stranger fell over the balustrade into the hallway, some twenty-five feet below.

On Tuesday evening, says the Millard *Progress*, Mrs. George Greenway returned from Salt Lake, bringing with her her two minor children, which she succeeded in locating and obtaining, after the strong arm of the law had been called in. George is smiling serenely now that his family has been increased, as is the case, and the children may well be happy, having found not only their mother, but a conscientious father.

Bunkerville, remarks the Pioche, Nevada, *Record*, will put 30,000 pounds of cotton into the Washington county mills this fall. The gin at Bunkerville is now at work cleaning and baling the cotton for market. This valuable product is receiving more attention each year, and will very shortly be raised in quantity in the Muddy valley also, where experiments have demonstrated the soil and climate to be particularly adapted to it.]

The community was startled this morning, says the Carson, Nevada, *Tribune*, on receipt of a telegram from San Francisco announcing the sudden death of George T. Davis, the well known Carson capitalist and former merchant. Deceased was one of the pioneers of Carson, and accumulated a vast fortune in the grocery business. He leaves to mourn his sudden taking off a devoted wife, four daughters and one son.

Mr. Anderson of Monroe, says the Richfield *Advocate*, while hauling freight to Salina a few days ago met with a misfortune. At the big curve along the canal near Vermillion a trail wagon load of lumber went over the bank, turned completely over and lit right side up with the load still intact at the bottom of the canal. No one was on the wagon which broke loose from the other one so there was no personal injury.

The Denver *News* says that the police are investigating another Market street mystery. About 11 o'clock on Monday morning a man whose name the police and detectives are unable to ascertain, was found unconscious at the side of a coal shed in the rear of Market street. He was taken to police headquarters, where Police Surgeon Johnson made unsuccessful efforts to restore him, and latterly removed to the county hospital. He will doubtless die.

Mark Stephens, a tramp barber who had been living on East street, San Francisco, ended his life the other night because he was out of steady work, and, consequently, downhearted. He went into the shop at East and Howard streets, ostensibly to sleep all night in a barber's chair, and made preparations for suicide deliberately.