

young hoppers before they get their wings. They accumulate in these ditches and die in such masses that the stench from them is intolerable, and the practice is to bury them with soil. In order to keep the main trenches open, it is customary to dig pits here and there in the trenches, which are filled up as soon as full of hoppers, and other pits are dug for new-comers. Professor Riley said that where ditches are not easily made, and where lumber is plentiful, a board fence two feet high and with three-inch battens nailed on the top side from which locusts are coming, the edge of it smeared with coal tar, will answer as an effectual barrier, and prove useful to protect fields or gardens. It is stated that when the hoppers commence to fly they need not be feared in the orchards, since by building fires and making smoke, such as is used as protection against frost, the pests can be prevented from lighting.

A Nebraska farmer furnishes what he claims is an infallible means of driving away the grasshoppers. He thus describes it: "Take hay, straw or rubbish, and dump it off in forkfuls a rod apart over the field on the windward side. Next, sprinkle from one-fourth to half a pound of sulphur on each pile, and in the evening set the substance on fire. About sundown, the air being sufficiently heavy to keep the smoke down close to the ground, the wind will roll it over the field. The smoke will scent everything growing upon the field to such an extent that grasshoppers will not come there again during the season that the sulphur is applied. I tried this method for three seasons in succession when the grasshoppers swarmed in myrads from the Rocky mountains, and it always proved successful. The fourth time I applied the sulphur smoke, the troublesome insects had been bated upon the field and had cut off the crop of wheat clear to the roots, but after being smoked they disturbed nothing further. For about eighty acres of land from forty to fifty pounds of sulphur are required."—Denver Field and Farm.

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

The output of the Chino Cal. beet sugar factory will probably reach over 25,000,000 pounds this season, the largest in its history.

Preston, Idaho, New Era: Quite a heavy shock of earthquake was felt here about 1 o'clock Sunday morning. It was also felt in Whitney and in Gentile valley.

J. C. W. Razalle, proprietor of the National barber shop in Los Angeles, Cal., was found dead in his room Friday morning. He killed himself because he could not pay his debts.

Preston, Idaho, New Era: Justice Graham of Mink Creek sends us word that a man resembling Hermann, the Salt Lake murderer, passed through that town last week, and that he was followed by a party, but we have heard no further particulars.

James McAllister met death in a peculiar manner at San Francisco on Tuesday night. He was walking along when he stumbled on a pile

of dirt thrown from a small trench and fell forward, his chin striking on the opposite bank of the trench, causing almost instant death.

There have been at least 50,000 head of stock cattle shipped to Montana, over the Utah & Northern, during the past two weeks. One firm shipped to Wibaux, near Miles City, 5,000 head of dry cows and 5,000 head of cows and calves. The cows were picked up in Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Oregon and Nevada.

Daniel K. Camp was shot and instantly killed on Thursday by the accidental dropping of his revolver, which discharged the weapon, the ball entering the body near the heart. The accident happened to the mountaineer near Temecula near Riverside, Cal. The dead man's home was at San Bernardino, where he was in the employ of the Santa Fe.

Evanson, Wyoming, Herald: Mr. Clark Hamp Jr., about 21 years of age, died at his ranch, on Slate Creek, about thirty miles from Opal in this county last Sunday from the effects of a wound received on the Thursday previous, when he was struck on the head with a shovel by his brother-in-law Percy Wisdom, in a quarrel over an irrigation ditch. Circumstances indicate that the killing was not wilful murder. Wisdom has left the place, and has not yet been apprehended.

Thursday a Chinese woman was poisoned at Merced, Cal., with strychnine through her husband's ignorance of English. She had been ill with malaria for some time, and was told to take quinine. The husband had been buying strychnine with which to kill squirrels on his ranch, and through mistake bought and gave her the poison. After taking the dose she was seized with violent convulsions and doctors were sent for, but the woman could not be relieved and died after six hours' agony.

While out hunting last Friday morning Alphonz Breeson came across the badly decomposed remains of a man at the Fairfax picnic grounds, near San Rafael, Cal., who, from all appearance, has been dead for at least a month and a half. He was dressed in a gray pair of pants, blue coat and gray socks, and wore lace shoes, which had been lately half soled. Near the body was a bottle containing whiskey and a brown bag, which contained considerable writing paper, a knife, a pipe, a bag of snuff and a morphine syringe, and some newspapers. There was \$1.25 in the pocket.

An accident occurred at Hergren & Anderson's tannery in Santa Rosa, Cal., Tuesday, which nearly caused the death of an employee named James Collins. Collins was working around the machine used for grinding tan bark, when it suddenly blew up with a loud report, and for a second there was a shower of falling iron. One piece of metal weighing 200 pounds struck Collins in the chest and buried him through the open door some distance off with terrible force. A physician was called and Collins was carried to his home close by, where he lies hovering between life and death.

Dillon, Montana, Tribune: John Oleson, Cal Edwards and Mike Castle found the bones of a man in a shallow prospect hole up on Sand creek, on last

Tuesday evening. The body had a shallow coverlog and had been in there for some time; the flesh was all off the bones; a part of the scalp still remained over the back part of the skull, covered with short black hair; the teeth were all in the jaws, showing by the hair and teeth that the man was not old; the soft nasal bones were decayed away. There is no clue so far, who it is or how he came to his death. There, undoubtedly, was foul play as a dead man could not bury himself.

Word has been received at Portland, Cal., that Isaac Sweringen was shot and killed last Friday night at his home, twenty-five miles southeast of Pineville, an isolated place in Crook county. The murder was committed by Harry Campbell as a result of a feud over Campbell's attention to Sweringen's daughter. Campbell had been visiting the girl for some time when a difference occurred between the two men and Campbell was ordered from the place with instructions never to return. Friday night he came again, and when Sweringen discovered him a fight was the result, in which the father was killed.

A crime that was apparently a cold-blooded murder with no mitigating circumstances was perpetrated in Oakdale, Cal., Tuesday evening. James Brady was shot down in cold blood by Peter Sismelich, with whom he formerly worked on a ranch. There had been bad blood between the men ever since the murderer was discharged from a ranch where the two men had been working. Shortly after 4 o'clock Brady was engaged in loading hay at a warehouse on Railroad avenue, when Sismelich walked up, gun in hand, and demanded a retraction for some alleged misstatement concerning him by Brady. Without waiting for a reply, he leveled the gun at Brady and fired. The full charge of shot took effect in the neck, and the object of Sismelich's enmity died in ten minutes.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

FARKER.—In San Francisco, Cal., July 5, of heart failure, Harry W. Farker, aged 30 years.

HOLMES.—At Hull, Yorkshire, England, May 27, 1896, Ernest Holmes, son of Robert and Ada Holmes, born February 14, 1896.—Millennial Star.

SHUPP.—In the Sixth ward, this city, July 5, 1896, of typhoid fever, Charles F., son of Charles and Jennie Knowden Shupp; born August 23, 1884. San Francisco papers please copy.

JACQUES.—At about 6:30 a. m., Thursday, July 3, Arthur Amott Jacques, son of John Jacques and Mary Ann Amott; born March 1, 1873. Millennial Star please copy.

HOLMAN.—In Brady, Salt Lake county, Utah, July 7th 1896, after a lingering illness, Abba Holman, eldest daughter of Ezekiel and Abba K. Holman, aged 22 years and 7 months.

SCORY.—At Glendorey, Wales, April 29, 1896, Ann Scory, wife of George Scory. Deceased was born at Southampton. In the year 1825, and was baptized in 1845. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint during the whole time she was connected with the Church.—Millennial Star.

WALKER.—Samuel Walker, of capillary bronchitis, July 7th, at 11:30 a. m., aged 68 years, 8 months and 22 days. Deceased was born in Salford, Manchester, England, and emigrated to Utah in May, 1892. His home was always open to the Elders that labored in England and many are they who have shared his hospitality.