NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Tucson, Ariz. Rancher, Wife and Son Murderously Assaulted.

FATAL AFFRAY AT HELENA.

New Method for Separating Gold Ores —A Young Lady Schoolmaster Sued, Etc.

The Carson (Nevada) Appeal says there are several authenticated still in the field for various positions within the gift of the state officers.

The Morning Times made its first appearance in Cripple Creek, Colo., on Saturday. The new paper will take the place made vacant by the suspension of the Crusher and is using the latter's plant.

Cheyenne is not the only Wyoming point along the Union Pacific that suffered a reduction of snow losses. While there were but four men discharged at Laramie, Rawlins lost twenty men, and Green River and Evanston suffered big reductions.

Moses Clark and Wright, of Idaho Falls, have made desert entry filings of 160 acres each, in the land office. It is one of the popular fashions of the season with Idaho Falls young ladies to invest in public lands. In popularity might be extended with equal propriety, he says the Standard News.

On Friday night William Rogers of Blackfoot, Idaho, built a fire at his cabinet and went away for awhile. In a short time the house was in flames. His wife was away but expected to arrive on the train. The house and contents were entirely destroyed. There was $800 insurance on the property.

George Tirrel killed John Ryan at Philipsburg, Montana, on Friday, without any known reason. They were talking together in a barroom and were apparently disputing over some matter. Suddenly Tirrel reached for a shotgun and fired the charge into Ryan's face, producing instant death. Both are old residents in the state. Tirrel made no effort to escape.

Hirdt, the Helena defaulter, has met with poor success in his attempts to secure aid from his English relatives. Thursday Mayor Weed received a cablegram from London, signed by Cosmo Bonsor, reading: "Absolutely indifferent to Herbert Bonsor's actions or fate. Family will not assist." This indicates that Hirdt's true name is Herbert Bonsor. Why he was living under an alias is not known.

Laramie (Wyo.) Republican: On Sunday morning another time table will go into effect which will be the means of taking the west bound mail train over the Wyoming division still lower than ever before. When the present schedule went into force a few weeks ago it was regarded as a record breaker in the way of fast time west, but the new time table, so far as the mail is concerned, at least, will go it one better.

The Cheyenne Leader says that as three members of the governor's guard were going down the street a few evenings ago, after drill, they met a young lady, smartly clad, bareheaded and shivering with the cold. One of them recognized her as a somnambulist. He approached her and asked her where she lived. Then a carriage was sent for and the girl was sent home. She hadn't been missed by her parents. She was extremely cold and coughed severely during the ride to her home, though never awakening.

U. S. Grant Jr. and **Jesse Grant** have just submitted an offer to San Diego, Cal., to supply 2,000 inches of water for $1,000,000. Reliable men say that this is but one part of a large irrigation scheme contemplated by eastern capitalists, whereby 20,000 inches of water will be developed in the San Luis Rey watershed and distributed over hundreds of thousands of acres of land in this county, which is especially adapted for citrus fruit culture. It is believed that Marshall Field, Robert Lincoln and other prominent Chicago people are interested in this water scheme.

F. M. Doll, a prosperous rancher and merchant, his son, twenty-one years old, and his wife have been murderously assaulted by Mexicans near their ranch on the Aravaipa, Graham county, Ariz. They were driving together and without warning the Mexicans opened fire, killing Doll and his son. Mrs. Doll was shot in the face and the assassins would have killed her also but for a team coming from an opposite direction. Seeing the approaching wagon the Mexicans fled. Mrs. Doll will, it is said, recover. A posse was organized, accompanied by experienced trailers. They are determined men and are likely to make the capture.

A new method for separating gold from its ores has lately been introduced in the mining districts of Wyoming. The crushed ore is heated to a state of incandescence and quenched in a bath of cold water. As each red hot particle falls into the water enough steam is instantly generated to shatter it, and any glass of film in the ore is removed. The particles of gold are thus broken down to a remarkably fine state and are rendered very brittle. The gold is clean and shining and quite free from any coating of calcite. This method makes it unnecessary to crush the ore very finely, and to active ores the output of the mine is greatly increased.

Travelers Must Be Cautious.

In some parts of the western states, where, happily for them, the people are not in such a remarkably hurry or perhaps are far in the narrow north, no one thinks of starting punctually from railroad trains. They take them when they come, and arrive when they get there, and are content.

A freshly Yankee drummer, who, at a country railway station, had been passing between a train that had arrived an hour after schedule time, received a lesson in patience from an elderly countryman who came in with his grandchild and asked the station master:

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