

NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Husband Kills the Destroyer of His Home.

FINDING HONES FOR ORPHANS.

Prohibit Fatal Blow With a Hammer—How to Leave Wyoming—The Day Inventory.

A Sunday school union has been formed by all the Protestant churches in Salt Lake City.

James O'Brien, who was killed by a train near Durbin, Colo., Tuesday night, was a Mexican ranchman. His estate is a large family. Two trunks came over the body, which was buried in the morgue.

Charles Miller, a 12-year-old boy, was strangled to death by a horse at Fort Peck, Cal., on Tuesday. He was riding the animal to pasture, and had the collar strap about his waist. When the horse started, the animal, which was frightened, caught the collar, and the boy was strangled.

The 4-year-old boy incendiary who was put in jail in Sacramento a few days ago for setting fire to two buildings, managed to get the prison in flames on Tuesday by setting a match and setting fire to a bundle of paper. The child was discovered in time to save the jail and inmates from being burned up.

The Janine Burner says that Tom Hamilton, of Granite Creek, once was arrested on a charge of leaving Wyoming. The life of Hamilton has been threatened and he and his family are afraid that the threat will be carried out. He is in the care of Lewis and Powell, Granite Creek, and his family are very anxious to have him leave the state and return home.

Albert Brown and James Watt are our inspectors at Laramie. On Wednesday, Watt and Brown came to our office with some information. Brown threatened to strike him with a hammer. Watt, not realizing Brown's anger, said, "Well, you can hit me if you want to," and turned to his work. The words had scarcely been uttered when Brown made a sudden violent swing with the hammer, striking Watt on the left side of the head, above the temple, crushing the skull in some of the fragments were driven through the membrane covering the brain, some of which were exposed. When Brown learned what he had done, he left the town and has not been arrested. Watt may die.

George W. Badger, a wealthy owner of timber lands and fishing grounds in the vicinity of Harquahama, and Clatskanie, Oregon, was brought to Portland Tuesday by Sheriff Dunn of Clatskanie county and committed to jail, charged with the murder of Hugh Cameron at Clatskanie last Saturday. Cameron had led away Badger's wife, and the wronged husband had committed them to leave the place, at the same time warning Cameron that if he returned he would kill him. This was a year ago. A few days since, Cameron came to the place and was shot by Badger. He then returned to the former house of Mr. and Mrs. Badger, where he was met by Badger, who shot him on sight, killing him instantly.

A society for the care of children was organized in the Francisco Times. It will be known as the Children's Home-Finding society. There are a large number of children in the city who are not subject for orphan asylums or reformatory institutions. The care of these will be the particular province of the new organization. It is said the children of a similar society in Chicago earned for that institution last year \$10,000, without any conflict with the work of the labor union. Children are taken from the streets and taught such trades as they may be able to master and while learning contribute to the support of the society. A central home or distributing place is to be established in the city, but the work will be extended throughout the state. From the headquarters the children will be placed either in permanent homes, or where they are not fitted for a family, will be placed in some institution already in operation or they may hereafter be rounded. The society will work exclusively underground lines.

DUCK CULTURE.

Extensive Comparisons of This Fowl With the Hen.

The Rural Science-Vander says for the table every one is willing to admit the duck's excellence. As a feeder it has few equals, while its features in the market stand high above those of the hen or turkey and only second to those of the giant emerald, the goose.

At Hammon, N. J., an expert was tried with ducks and chickens by F. H. Jones and others to determine the relative growth of each in a given time. This is the result:

Compared with chicks, the growth of ducks is high feeding, with a lot of fat and skin and skin for experiment, with the same amount of food for growing, one pound of duck usually a year of 2 cents for each pound of carcass, we present the following:

A duck generally lays as many eggs in a year as a hen, but she performs the work quickly and rears the remainder of the season. The hen spends her laying throughout the entire year.

Fourth is the best fowl for a duck-house, and this should be heavily bedded with soft hay. In Hammon and on Long Island, they use salt hay, as it is much softer than the ordinary article. Five ducks and 25 chicks can be run together with a good chance for fertile eggs.

Rankin says the time for marketing young ducks depends altogether upon the breed. A Pekin will mature at 6 to 10 weeks as much as a Rouen will at 12. Ducks should be partly feathered out before marketing, but do not allow the second crop of feathers to start, so they will be full of pinfeathers and somewhat off condition—indeed no longer than they would have been if killed two weeks before.

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