

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

A Young Gambler Ends His Life with Morphine at Denver.

THE WEATHER IN COLORADO.

Prisoners Escape from a Penitentiary. Shocking Tragedy in Arizona. Shocking accident White Rock, Eng., etc.

The city council of Aspen, Colo., has considered an ordinance making the police magistrate a surety one instead of the fee system.

The Phoenix, A. T. court has passed the railroad examination bill by a vote of 3 to 2, granting exemption from taxes to all railroads, both state and county, in Arizona for twenty years to encourage beginning work without cost.

Attorney T. Wesley Sheppard of Los Angeles, Cal., has entered into an arrangement with his client, Mr. Leslie N. Aspinwall, money to the sum of \$250,000, to be held in trust until his trial at that place.

Thirteen head of cattle were drowned in Bear river last week. They were driven on the ice by the young boy and his brother. The boy was swimming in the water, but was rescued by some friends who shot by.

H. H. Bush, who manages Col. Bill O'Leary's ranch at North Platte, is in Laramie, Wyo. He is trying to purchase a choice violin for use in Mr. O'Leary's show. Mr. Bush has seen by a "transcript" of documents and stated that he is now making his presentation and with the family of cowboys, Indians, horses, etc., expect to attract immense crowds at the World's Fair.

California citrus fruit growers will be allowed increased space for their exhibits at the World's Fair. Work has been done by the State Agricultural Department for an increase of space from 1,000 to 1,200 square feet and been granted. The interior exhibits have been prompt in preparing their exhibits, and the indications are that California will be well represented on the opening day.

A few days ago Miss Lizzie Dugan, instructor at the Indian school known as the Stewart Institute, Nevada, in attempting to separate two Indian girls who were quarreling, was struck over the head and otherwise injured. Her injuries at first were supposed to be serious, but she recovered from the slight, but she is still lame. The young lady is much weaker. Both combatants are now in jail awaiting further developments in the case of Stewart.

Since the winter has softened and the snow is melting, there is a return of much of the sickness that was experienced during the severe winter of 1891-92 in California. Many persons are sick with severe colds, accompanied by a form of lameness, consisting of severe pain along the spinal column. There are several cases of scoliosis never and whooping cough. The school attendance is cut down to half the normal.

Two students confined in the jail at Hugo, Colo., as inmates, made their escape on Wednesday afternoon by digging through the brick wall from the corridor, where they were allowed to stay during the day. Under cover of Woodstock, they crept through thirty miles of snow and immediately gave the alarm. A posse was organized and started in pursuit. The men were overtaken and recaptured by G. L. Henry and George Glaves about three miles from town.

While hunting a few mornings ago, Henry Johnson, a trapper, was surprised and instantly killed by Frank and Ed Jasper. The parties were hunting on the north bank of the Tuolumne river, about a mile and a half from Confidence, California, neither party having seen the presence of the other. The Jasper boys wounded a deer, and were trailering over the snow, when some distance ahead they noticed a movement in the bushes, and, supposing that it was a wounded animal, went to see it. The two boys crept up, pierced Johnson's back, and passed entirely through his body, killing him instantly.

C. D. Bedell was found dead in his bed at a house in Larimer street, Denver, on Wednesday morning. A bottle containing morphine was found by his side, and a note on the table in the room to the effect that he had committed suicide. The note was addressed to his wife, Mrs. Bedell, who was a Mexican移民, San Francisco, Calif. Bedell was last employed as cook in the Metropolitan restaurant, but he was discharged because of his habits. He was about 25 years old, and had been working at the work shop for about two years. At that time, his habits were excellent. He had been in Denver about a year, and soon went to San Francisco, where his mother lived. She is said to be quite well to do. He returned to Denver about three weeks ago with \$400 dollars, which he soon squandered at gambling houses. Chivington telegraphed Mrs. Bedell that her son's death and showed her wired took that his body should be embalmed and shipped to her.

Hiram S. Stevens, delegate to Congress from Arizona, from 1872 to 1886, mayor of Tucson, and who filled numerous prominent offices on Wednesday, while insane, was found dead, shot with a pistol, in his home, he dying two hours later. His wife's condition is serious. He has not been well during the past six months. The cause of the insanity was intense suffering from bowel trouble, afflicting him for many months. On Wednesday afternoon, and then went to another doctor, changing doctors several times. Mrs. Stevens, who was suffering with a severe headache, was lying down when Stevens approached her, a rifle pointed at her head, and she was shot in the other, with her eyes closed, and did not notice her danger. "Let me feel your head," he said sympathetically. "No, my dear; you are yourself, go and lie down." The bullet struck the woman's heart, and almost instantly artery sang out and the woman was shot through the hand and in the head. Stevens then turned the large revolver on himself with fatal effect. He was one of the wealthiest men in Tucson.

WHEAT CULTURE.

The Maraudous Progress of Wheat Growing In This Country.

According to Statistics Dept. of the national department of agriculture at Washington, the Dakota now produce more wheat than was known in 18-

United States 20 years ago. The exports of last year were greater than the exports of 1872 years ago. The yield per acre of old lands is increasing and that of new lands decreasing, so here wheat lands are gradually brought into cultivation. Now located in the few fields cultivated, wheat yields per acre than the rich lands of the West. The yield of wheat under cultivation is now second to none, but less of its richness in flavoring the grain.

The census of 1890 calls an average yield of wheat of 14 bushels per acre in 1890, while the same was for less favorable and prospects apparently much worse, gives a yield of about 16 bushels per acre. With good cultivation and fertilization, it should be increased to 20 bushels. Individual farms in Dakotas from 20 to 40 bushels per acre, some in New York, Oregon, and California, and many in Illinois and North Dakota, 20 and 25, and its income per acre, the yield of grain, could readily be increased one-half.

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The next lower is 21.9 in North Dakota, and, Marin average being nearly as much—21.1 bushels. In the west, the largest yield was 18 bushels in Montana. It should be understood that these are averages of states and not of individual farms, none of which are higher than 20 bushels, the average being 18 bushels.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

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To the widow of Wm. H. Johnson,

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