NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Man's Memory Entirely Lost as the Result of an Accident.

SHOCKING SUICIDE OF A BROTHER.

Defaulting Bureau Officials—A Boy Sent to Jail for Robbing the Mails—Other Items.

The Custer county court has appropriated $500 for the purpose of making a display of Custer county products at the Midwinter Fair.

Philip O. Kinney, the 19-year-old boy who pleaded guilty in the choice of robbing the mails at the Rising Corral office, Idaho, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment in the Ada county jail.

Mr. Henry Deane, one of the earliest settlers of Evanston, has left that city for the west coast. He received a heavy tall bell, whence from whence he never recovered, and it is thought that this brought about his death.

"Nevada doesn't want to be annexed to Utah," we read, "so says the Carson Appeal, and then goes on to say that Nevada may be taken now not in on a sound financial basis, and is content to be its own sow and paddle its own canoe.

The State University of Reno, Nev., has closed the last quarter of the old year, and will reopen on January 8th. The Journal says that the present session has been the most important in the history of the institution in terms of numbers and the permanent change of the work done. About 175 students have been in attendance.

J. F. Fagan, the Chicago Tribune man, who is attempting the feat nine journey in 10 days on a bicycle, met, at Ogden, with a misfortune between here and Burton, says the Cheyenne Leader. He was sound asleep in the middle of a train when some person discovered a valuable diamond from his scarf and got away with it safely.

Cattle on the ranges never wintered better than now, says the Virginia City (Nevada) Enterprise. The stock is in fair, but average in very good condition, and a little hay will carry prime stock in the black. The scare which thinned the cattle on the ranges to a reasonable number. An estimate of the losses in the end of the cattle—most of the dead being old stock.

A sad case of suicide has occurred in Los Angeles. Mr. C. E. Kinney, after giving vent to a small income entirely in money, and hoping that it would be prevented, took his brother, Frank, and placing the muzzle of the weapon over her head, fired, the bullet passing through the heart and mouth coming out at the back. Mr. Kinney was the wife of a well-known conductor of the Southern Pacific. She had two children, respectively little boys.

Sheriff Curtis and Mr. Simpson of Dakota, Minn., arrived at the Holly Manufacturing Company's office, with a bill against Charles Ford, charging him with the embezzlement of $1,000 belonging to the company. He is said to be short $10,000 in his accounts. He is also said to owe his employers thousands of dollars on account of money. He has a bet, or is Mr. Simpson's opinion, he will be found in Canada, where the company has not been able to find him. The company is said to be a large loser, which the company will not be able to make good the shortage. He has been gambling and bad used the company's money to play with. A reward of $200 has been offered for him.

An unlucky and yet lucky boy is Charlie Wells of the Dalles, Or., says an exchange, and the several narrow escapes he has had from death can scarcely be counted on the fingers of his hands. He commenced by breaking his leg in three places. Shortly afterward a horse stepped on his foot, cutting off his big toe as neatly as a knife could have done it. Last summer he was badly powder burned while investigating explosive powder with other children. A few days ago a mule kicked him in the side. A few days later he was shot in the arm by a 32-caliber pistol ball and will live. The ball was fired at him with a Winchester the internal organs.

The officers of the Kokomo road visited Casper the latter part of last week, says the Sun, and made arrangements for the construction of oil tanks at that city. It is also rumored that the company intends to be selling our West from Casper to big Oil at Bolle. There is a great deal of activity in that region over oil and now that the work is made to recognize the value of the product there will be—nothing done with it report speculate. In the west is large cement, freight rates will come down, because railroads fear competition more than anything else. If the demand for oil calls for large shipments, the other railroads will lean towards the company and competition will increase continual prices.

George C. Bunder, of Oakland, Cal., has lost his memory completely. He is alive and well, says a California exchange, save that part that has to do with memory. He can recall nothing of his past life. He mind is a blank. He does not remember his wife nor his children. Though he had a good education, he has forgotten how to read and write, and the complicated tasks he had to do before from which he cannot recall it. He remembers that a face is familiar, but that is all. The name of anything about the person he cannot recall. The accident occurred some months ago when he was working on a locomotive in the railroad round house in West Oakland when an iron pipe was blown from a stampipe and struck him on the head, fracturing the brain.

A RUNAWAY TRAIN.

A Terrible Race on the Union Pacific to Save a Disaster.

The Union Pacific had still had a narrow escape one night recently on the Wyoming division from being crushed into by a runaway freight. The last mind was coming along with freight and following it was a heavy freight train in charge of Engineer Sedowsky, carrying a heavy press. Here the freight gave a lurch forward and Sedowsky, who is a new engineer, lost control of the engine. In a few minutes he saw the lights of the rear of the train and feared a collision. He put on the engine, followed by the train.

The runaway had a tempting, traffic but, that something was wrong, began [illegible] the engine. The engineer at a crossing station, when the two trains [illegible] by, saw that the engine was [illegible] and telegraphed the fact to Rock Springs. When the fast mail stopped there to receive the operator ordered out and held of the runaway train.

Engineer Wright, with great presence of mind, spread for his engine and opened the throttle wide, and then he made a run for it, which the engineer said was a dangerous trick. The distance from the point of the train and gave the engine the running time to get by the prompt action of the engineer would have run into the rear.

The Pen Commission.

Thomas Hunter, [illegible] has been appointed by the commission to take the place of Mr. Hunter, who has resigned. The commission is now in Salt Lake City, and will be there for some time. The board of commissioners has [illegible] to be in Salt Lake City for some time. The board of commissioners has [illegible] to be in Salt Lake City for some time. The board of commissioners has [illegible] to be in Salt Lake City