NEWS OF THE WEST.

The End of a Twenty-two Years' Old Bankruptcy Case.

KILLED BY A FALLING ADOBE WALL

Butcherley and Fatal Fire.—Jail Breakers.—Suicide of an Ex-"Star" with Morphine.

The school boards of Pueblo, Col., after laboring several weeks with the question of an issue for shortage of funds, have decided to postpone the opening of all grades below the eighth to October 2.

Mollie Cameron died on Saturday at Del Norte, Colo., from the effects of morphine and strychnine, administered with suicidal intent. She had lived at Del Norte since 1876, and in those days was a star in Allbaugh's dance hall.

The United States land court at Santa Fe, N. M., confirmed the Pedro Lumber grant, 10,000 acres, covering the Chama river powers. At times in the court has confirmed 220,000 acres of grant lands, and in behalf of the United States overruled but one period claim for 400,000 acres.

On Friday afternoon two miners killed at Rome, Colo., were instantly killed in a mine there. They had somehow cut a charge of powder, and [illegible] away, a portion of the roof of the mine fell in on them. The men were crushed from the waist down, partly after they had been [illegible], the timbers having been crushed out of them.

The body of a man, dressed in a hooded shall underskirt and enclosed drawers, has been found partially enclosed in a sand bar on the North Platte river about thirty miles west of Gering, Neb. The horses which were ordinary bays and have been exposed to the sun for some time. This is supposed to be the missing man who was last seen in the vicinity of Tomorrowville some five miles above this spot in June, 1892.

Early Saturday morning the wife of ex-Territorial Auditor Thomas Hoe, of Tucson, Arizona, was killed by the falling of an adobe wall, death being almost instantaneous. She was overseeing building out stone about six feet and from a camp adobe wall twelve feet high. Without an instant's warning and almost without a sound the wall fell on her, breaking apart over her form. The concussion was fearful when it struck her, the wall weighing many tons. She was picking out of it was found dead her back and one leg were broken. She died while being carried to the house. The deceased was the mother of nine children, the oldest being sixteen years.

A chicken feeder living near Milton, Wash., was brought to the verge of ruin by great quantities of snakes that congregated in his neighborhood and swallowed his eggs and young chickens. He tried many plans designed to disperse the reptiles and save his flock and fortune, but unavailingly. A happy thought struck him two or three days ago, and he brought a big lot of powerful coal oil and sprinkled them profusely over his premises. The snakes were marvelously boiled, and have been swallowing them with avidity and with fatal results ever since. It is assumed that they die of indigestion, though it may be cholera.

Information from Hot Creek, Ryecounty, Nevada, is that Richard Gloyer, superintendent of the Hot Creek and Harbourside Mining and Milling company, an eastern corporation, has committed suicide after two months of apparent deliberation. He left his home and left a note telling where he had gone and for what purpose. He went to the mill and set fire to thirty cords of wood, climbed on to it and rock himself. He was entirely cremated, only two small pieces of bone and the fragments of a gold watch being found. He had brooded over disappointments and the low price of silver. He personally owed no indebtedness, mining property. He left a will and about twenty dollars depending of his possessions.

Dankie Collins, bound over for shooting Sheriff Freeman Coleman, was another man at Hanner junction, Wash., on June, [illegible] Friday night by digging his through the wall over the window casing. As soon as the escape became known, Sheriff Coleman offered $50 reward for Collins's capture. A large posse of men started out in every direction, but overtook the fugitive and he surrendered without resistance. The prisoner was put on a horse and all three started for Ritzville, when Collins threw himself from the horse and tried to escape in the brush. He refused to obey a command to halt, when both his captors fired and Collins fell with his thigh shot out. Physicians pronounced the wound fatal. The sheriff was exonerated the man who did the shooting, as he had confessed them that Collins was a desperate man.

A most distressing fire occurred at Cheyenne, Wyo., on Saturday night. The agonized screams of a couple of women called the attention of the neighborhood to the fact that a little house in the rear of Capitol avenue was on fire. At this moment George Thompson rushed up to the burning house, and in spite of the roaring flames, darted inside and dragged from it the charred remains of his aged and paralyzed father, J. E. Thompson. The old man was terribly burned and was dead long before the fire was discovered. The son was also badly burned about the face and hands, but will recover. It is thought the dead man, who was 70 years age, set fire to the bedclothes in lighting his pipe and, being helpless, the fire got beyond his control. The deceased was an old resident, having gone to Cheyenne in 1867. He leaves two sons, two daughters and an aged wife.

In 1871 John Sime & Co. and R. F. Maslinez of San Francisco, were declared bankrupts. The creditors of our firm decided on November 13, 1871, to have the affairs of the firm wound up by a trustee. Mrs. Mary L. Sime and Hastings asked for a settlement by the trustee on March 21, 1872, six [illegible] afterwards. Sime having died and the creditors wishing to close the estate, the trustee filed his statement April 11, 1877, and the creditors were asked with. In October 1892, Mr. Sime claimed that the estate had not been fairly settled and brought suit for a final settlement. A demurrer to [illegible] that her delaying for twenty years without reason had forfeited her [illegible] was sustained and Mrs. Sime appealed to the United States circuit court of appeals. The case was argued [illegible] was twenty-one years old. Friday [illegible] was dismissed by Judge [illegible]. This [illegible] Sime's [illegible] twenty-year old bankruptcy case [illegible].

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