NEWS OF THE WEST.

Has Ground to Pulp in a Sugar Refinery Machinery.

A GIRL BURNED WITH A CANDLE.

Killed With a Stone—Horse and Driver Killed in a Runaway—Fatal Accident to a Child.

The price of wheat for shipment continues to raise in California. On Tuesday the increase was 5 cents per bushel. Barley also went up in price.

The report comes that farmers and ranchmen are now in the best condition with the rains of late throughout the Pacific coast states and the Rocky mountain districts.

In Modoc county, Cal., cattle are giving relief from the "Pleasant Hill." This insect gets into the ears of the cattle and bores into the brain. The pest first appeared in a prize bull brought to Modoc county from Texas.

Omaha dispatch, Oct. 14: Paul Rose, P. Maxwell and W. Squires of Ogden, Utah, purchased two cars of cattle each. P. T. Stevens was here from Ogden, Utah, with seven cars of range cattle.

The remains of the 3 year taken Tuesday from the Fremont bay by two fishermen are still unidentified. A coroner's jury decided that the person was unknown and came to his death by drowning.

William Butcher, an employe in the sugar refinery at Vacaville, Cal., got caught in the machinery Tuesday afternoon and received bruises in jaw, from which death ensues almost immediately.

Tuesday evening the railway employes of the Southern Pacific held a meeting in Sacramento, and protested against the statement that they were being coerced into voting the McKinley ticket. They denounce the statement as untrue.

A peculiar disease has made its appearance among the cattle in Brown's valley, Cal. Those affected display evidence of paralysis and completely lose the use of the hind quarters. It is thought the disease is caused from eating course of green corn.

The body of a young lad named Lawrence Hoey, who had been missing for some days, was found Wednesday morning in the north arm of Fraser river, B. C. He came, originally, was found floating near by, and it is thought he was upset while sounding doors.

George Bettain, a deckhand, was killed while unloading lumber with a crane from a scow at the Puget Sound Pulp Paper company's Lowell wharf, Bellingham, Washington, on Friday. A crane fell, hitting Brittain on the head. He was 20 years of age and single. His relatives are unknown.

James Riley, aged 21, was driving six horses attached to a coaled wagon down Sutter hill near Jackson, Cal., on Tuesday, when the brake-block gave way and the wagon and six horses started down the hill at a rapid gait. Riley was thrown forward and carried with the wagon to the foot of the grade. He was mangled so badly that he died in two hours. Both wheel horses were killed.

David T. Stevens, a native of Canada, committed suicide in San Francisco Tuesday night, by firing two bullets through his head. Stevens was 29 years of age and had formerly been employed as a railroad clerk. Being out of work he had come to San Francisco to join his sister, a trained nurse. He arrived about six weeks ago, expecting to find employment. He attributes to do so made him despondent.

The Cooperative Fruit company of Newcastle, Placer county, Cal., has been compelled to close its doors and file a petition in insolvency. This was the largest local fruit shipping concern in the northern and Central California. Its business has extended from the Pacific to the Atlantic and from Canada to Mexico. Low freight and untimely rains are given as the causes for the failure. Crops were not sufficiently large to insure a profit.

Anita Bailey, daughter of John Bailey, aged 9 years, was badly burned Tuesday evening at San Rafael, Cal. Her clothes took fire from a candle. A ten year old lad, Thomas McBride, living next door, crept under the house of the Baileys and began to lap on the floor thinking he would scare the noisy children. Anita hearing the noise, took a candle and went out to investigate. In stooping down to look under the house her clothes took fire. Her father and mother arrived and was badly burned about the upper part of her body. Her father was the first to reach her, and in trying to put out the fire he was badly burned about the hands and arms. The horse of the child are very painful. The doctors says he will have to graft considerable skin on the child to cover up the wounds and prevent serious results.

The discovery of a skeleton near Pine Flat, Cal., has caused much excitement in that vicinity. Its bones are believed to be those of Karl Pentzer, a wealthy German, believed to have been murdered at that place fourteen years ago. Pentzer had come to Fresno county to secure 40 government lands, of which rich tracts abounded in that locality. At that time Pine Flat was known as the dark and bloody ground. A. J. Lefevre claimed it and Bob and Jim Monk vigorously contested the claim. Either the two Bobbsbooted partners, and many affrays occurred. Lefevre and Charlie Johnson, one of the noted of Lefevre's henchmen, are known to have had seen the deceased. It is generally believed that Pentzer was robbed and killed. Detectives are at work on the case and it is believed possible that Pentzer's murderer may yet be brought to justice. Frank M. Lamb discovered the skeleton in a Kings river sandbar.

Tuesday morning a party composed of high school boys and girls and their friends of Pacific Grove drove over to Salinas, Cal., to witness the Pacific Grove high school football players engaged in a friendly contest with the home team. About 5 o'clock in the evening the bus containing the footballers, who were the last to have Salinas, started for home, and in coming down the Toro hill the bus struck a deep chuckhole in a narrow part of the road and went over the embankment carrying with it the occupants and four horses. Frank Ogden, the seventeen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ogden of the Grove, was taken from underneath a horse and it was discovered that the life of the poor lad had been crushed out by the weight of the beast. Young Hooker was badly injured about the body and a Japanese had his leg broken. Eddie Rice, son of Marshal Rice, was slightly injured about the chest, and would undoubtedly have been killed had it not been for the coolness of John Willey. Two horses were killed and the bus is easily smashed up.

Louis Edwards smiles grimly when he applied at the coroner's office, San Francisco, Tuesday for permission to see what was supposed to be his body. It being reported that he was the man, with his wife, who jumped off the gas plant, the result being that he was dead. "That don't look much like me, does it?" he to a tired of the deputy coroner when they had entered the morgue and stood beside a table on which was a body. "Brother!" curtly required McCormack, as he drew the sheet. "Not much," was the reply. "He's supposed to be me, but I guess it ain't. The papers all said I was down here this morning, so I thought I'd come down and see. Because, you see, my name, I'm pretty much alive yet." And then he told the deputy coroner all about it. On Monday afternoon a couple were taken from a lodging house and employed a gas. The man died and was sent to the morgue. The woman was treated at the receiving hospital, and so far recovered as to inform the coroner that she was able to recite that she was known as Mrs. Edwards, and that her husband had died, after a night's absence, but concluded to remain anonymous. Her husband's name she gave as Louis Edwards. The coroner at the morgue was since been identified as John Armstrong.

Code of Ethics.

A prominent police court magistrate, passing one day through the city and not being pressed for time, availed himself of the outside of an omnibus instead of patronizing the aristocratic cab.

"All fares, please!" came the familiar cry, when, thrusting his hand into his pocket, the astonished of the magistrate found discovered, to his consternation, that he had come out without a farthing of money.

An explanation of the state of affairs was proceeding and being taken in very ill part by the conductor when a man, sitting near, suddenly pulled out a pounds from his waistcoat pocket and said:

"Here, I'll pay for you."

The ticket was duly punched and handed over, whereupon the gentleman, moving nearer his benefactor, said:

"I am greatly indebted to you. Kindly let me have your name and address."

But to his donor's great surprise this was peremptorily refused.

Arrived at a certain street corner, however, the man, as he moved toward the stairs, looked the magistrate full in the face and said, with a red flat accent, "Here's that for keeping cools of feel!"

"Look up yer old grange shoes for my name, yer worship. You'll find that you gave me three bob'ths' half bobs' last Nov. 5."—London Tit-Bits.

A New Form of Street Art.

Street art, performed by "screevers," on the pavement is undergoing a transformation. Pretty have become tired of the dashes intended to represent colours on a plate or the minute or trees unknown to botany, and the artists in chalk have experienced very hard times of late in consequence of the charitable owning to those copper into the artistic plate drawn for their reception.

A "screever" who for the present has located himself in Gray's Inn road has devised a new plan for replenishing the footpath and instructing pedestrians at the same time.

Instead of making pictures he gives lessons in Hindoostanee, using the pavement as a kind of blackboard. He writes down in that language the name of any one who desires it and any sentence that may be requested.

He explains the Tamil alphabet to those who may be interested in the subject for a halfpenny and congagates one of its verbs in change for a penny.

His pictures may not be so gorgeous in color as those of his predecessors, but they have the merit of usefulness to those who contemplate a voyage to the east. The up to date "screever's" system is capable of considerable extension to a school of languages.—Pearson's Weekly.

It Made Her Angry.

"It's strange how seriously some women mean to regard trifles," said the Bal bonnet thoughtfully.

"What's the matter now?" asked the household.

"Why, there's that woman with the upright piano in the flat next to mine, you know."

"Yes. What of her?"

"She has played one tune 18 times a day for the last three months."

"Of course. Nearly all women who play upright tinkling pianos do that. You can move, you know, if you don't like it."

"Well, we don't want to do that. It might seem rude, and we didn't want to hurt her feelings, so we just got her a new song and sent it to her with the compliments of all the other tenants. And, do you know, she's mad as a hornet about it."

"What was the title of it?"

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