

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

Baptists are holding a revival at Boise, Idaho.

The California storm this week has caused an immense amount of damage to crops.

George Morgan, a wealthy young farmer who resided near Sacramento, died Tuesday evening from injuries received in a runaway accident last Saturday.

Thomas Ward, who shot a Chinese at Sunol, Cal., some weeks ago, has been released on \$3,000 bonds furnished by Supervisor Joseph King of San Francisco, and Theodore Gier. Ward is a former ward politician of San Francisco.

It is probable that the Federal penitentiary at McNeill's Island in Puget Sound, twelve miles west of Tacoma, is soon to be moved to San Quentin, Cal. It is the only Federal prison on the Pacific coast and the second one in the country, the other being at Detroit.

Hook Toon, a Chinese, attempted to rob G. W. Tarleton's hen roost at San Jose, Cal., Friday night. He came in contact with some electric wires and rang a bell. The result is that Hook Toon was shot through the leg and captured. He will now have to answer in court.

The Tombstone, A. T., Prospector notes that the Hudson reservoir canal enterprise has been granted a right of way by Secretary Hoke Smith, and the work, which will cost \$2,500,000, is to be started at once, and Arizona will have the greatest irrigation system ever projected in the United States.

Jesus Maria Elias, a noted guide and fearless Indian scout of Arizona, is dead. The incident in connection with which he was best known was the Camp Grant massacre in 1869, in which the reformation of 150 Apaches was made sudden and complete. They were put on a reservation and they never left it.

Governor McConnell has received notice that Idaho's percentage of the money arising from the sale of public land in the state for the fiscal year ending June 30th last, amounted to \$2,840.76, which would be paid at once. The state gets from the general government 5 per cent of the net proceeds of the sale of land.

The Boise, Idaho, Statesman says it was shown Monday figures giving the results from a quantity of ore and concentrates shipped from the Hidden Treasure mine, in Neal district, to Salt Lake. There was 11,894 pounds of concentrates and 4,879 pounds of raw ore. The concentrates yielded \$82.62 a ton and the ore \$158.54 a ton.

Spokane, Wash., has attained the rank of the eighth city in the country in the magnitude of its milling business. Its output of flour for 1895 was 568,000 barrels, which was exceeded only by Minneapolis, Duluth, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Buffalo, Toledo and Indianapolis. It expects to pass several of those cities the coming season.

C. A. Morford, a San Francisco bookkeeper, was run over by a train

at Berryman station, near Berkeley, Cal., Sunday night and instantly killed. It is not known just when the fatal accident occurred, or what train passed over the unfortunate man. The body was fearfully mutilated. Morford was a middle-aged man and unmarried.

Two boys, Robert Dughi and Antonio Escobar, residing near San Luis Obispo, Cal., were playing with a rifle Friday evening. Dughi pointed the weapon at Escobar, not knowing it was loaded and pulled the trigger. The bullet struck Escobar near the pit of the stomach and caused instant death. The boys are 10 and 8 years old respectively.

Mrs. Angelina J. Knox died at her home in Fresno, Cal., Friday aged 77 years. She was somewhat noted in the councils of the Massachusetts abolitionists before the war and was a personal friend and co-worker of Whit- tler. She was three years an amanuensis to Judge J. G. Birney, the first abolitionist candidate for the President of the United States.

Twelve hundred acres have been purchased at Spokane, Wash., on which a big smelter, a flour mill and a large electric plant are to be erected. The smelter will cost \$500,000, and the mill, says the Spokane Chronicle, will have a capacity of 1,000 barrels of flour daily. The power required by all of these improvements is to be generated by water drawn from the Spokane river.

The Southern Pacific is going to lay seventy-five-pound steel rails through the San Geronio pass, between Indio and Beaumont, Cal., a distance of about forty miles. This is rendered necessary owing to the high winds blowing the desert sands on the rails and cutting them badly as the trains pass over. The rails will stand five inches high. The first shipment has been received at El Paso. Heretofore sixty-two-and-one-half-pound rails have been used in the San Geronio pass.

Fort Worth, Texas, Gazette: A prominent live stock man who recently returned from South Texas reports that in that part of the state there are about 40,000 more cattle than last year to be grazed. As they have recently had three splendid rains the indications are that this season they will have excellent grass, and this will, to a great extent, control the number that will be shipped from that section of the territory to be grazed. On account of the conditions named, it is estimated that the number to go this season will be short of those of last.

Idaho Statesman: R. S. Spence is up from Bear Lake county. He has brought with him a sample of black and gold marble taken from a quarry that he owns. Handsomer marble is seldom seen. The stone is mainly jet black but is liberally spotted with yellow, the effect being that of black and gold. This kind of marble is not found anywhere else in the United States, all that is used coming from Italy. Nor is the Italian product as handsome as this. Mr. Spence says that he has a

very large deposit of the marble, sufficient to supply any possible demand.

The Santa Barbara, Cal., Press says that Paymaster J. R. Standon, of the United States navy, has sent to a gentleman of that town ten varieties of corn from Cuzco, the ancient capital of Peru. This corn is said to be of a species entirely unknown in North America and wonderfully large, prolific and nutritious, and has been named "Zea Amylacea." One of the varieties is especially sweet, and would probably be excellent for canning. Each grain on the ear is enveloped in a little husk of its own, which, unless very easily removed would be a great nuisance.

A small illicit distillery was seized in Fresno, Cal., Tuesday by Deputy Internal Revenue Collector Griffin. It belonged to S. M. Seropian, an Armenian fruit dealer, who for two years past has been working up refuse fruit into brandy, operating his still on one of the principal streets of the city without any effort at concealment, and peddling his brandy. He was unaware that he was violating any law, and was much surprised when arrested. He still was small and unique. He brought it from Armenia with him, and it looked old enough to have been used by Noah after he came out of the ark.

Andy Barr, a rigger, employed at Mare Island, Cal., met with a fatal accident Tuesday afternoon. He was one of twelve men engaged in placing an eight-inch turret gun on board the Monadnock, when the tackle rope by which the gun was being raised under the big shears parted and the gun, which weighs forty tons, caught his right leg against the skids and crushed it to a jelly from the knee down, so that when he was extricated the skin was all that held the leg. Barr did not lose consciousness, but for five minutes, or until the gun was lifted, his cries of pain were earful. The accident was caused by the rope around the gun barrel breaking. He is the fourth victim on the Monadnock where the foreman overestimated the strength of the ropes.

Friday night a man named Wm. Flynn, while returning to his home at Redwood City, Cal., slipped on the sidewalk, and in the act of falling caught hold of a wire which was hanging from a tree. The wire was charged with 2,500 volts of electricity and burned two of the fingers so badly that amputation was necessary. The remaining fingers are so affected that the doctors, who were quickly summoned, state that if they can be saved at all they will be contracted for life, as the tendons are all burned away. After the first contact Flynn was rendered unconscious, remaining suspended to the wire until his agonizing shrieks and a bright light from the wire attracted some passers by, who caught hold of his clothing and pulled him from his uncomfortable position.

A tragedy occurred a few days ago at Camp Aleman, six miles south of Calmalli, between the ocean and gulf, and opposite Cedros Island, Lower California. Ramon Barraza, who kept a store and saloon at Camp Aleman, was giving a party one evening, and the festivities wound up in a quarrel. Sev-