

for burial. Worry caused her act. Her son Percy was married at sea last Saturday, and this seemed to give her much distress. Her wounds are not serious.

Circuit Judge Ross of California has handed down a decision of great interest to all concerned with hydraulic mining, either as mine owners or as the owners of agricultural land or of interests affected by the debris from such mining. The decision is in the suit of the United States against the North Bloomfield Gravel Mining company, a corporation, and sustains the constitutionality and exclusiveness of the Caminetti act to the fullest extent.

The copper urn containing the ashes of Mrs. Jacob Z. Davis, was opened in Judge Coffey's court, San Francisco, Tuesday. The opening of the box was at the instance of Attorney George A. Knight, who represents the contestants of Jacob Davis's will. Knight produced in court George Guthrie, a plumber, and, under the direction of the judge, Guthrie removed the lid from the much-talked-of box in which Davis is said to have secreted the will under dispute. Mrs. Davis died September 18, 1896.

An enterprising florist of San Francisco has discovered a new way of notifying his debtors that they must pay their bills. He does not send dunning letters through the mail, because that is prohibited by law, and might get him into trouble with the United States authorities. He hunts up the graves of some of the deceased relatives of his slow-paying customers and upon the grave stone attaches a notice calling attention to the fact that a long-standing account still remains unpaid.

A young lad named Davis met with horrible death under the wheels of a train on the California and Nevada way near Martinez, Cal., on Tuesday afternoon. The boy had been out on a picnic party all day, and, after pleasures of the day were over, he went to the railway and waited for a train to come along, intending to ride to Oakland. When he attempted to leap on the train he made a miscalculation and fell between the cars, and his body was almost ground to pieces.

An unknown swimmer was mistaken Tuesday for a drowning man as he made his way down past the seawall or jetty in Oakland, Cal., that parallels the narrow-gauge track to the mole, and the steamers Emma and Garden City stopped to render assistance, only to find out that he was being paced by a companion on shore and was racing against a record for a wager. The name of the swimmer could not be learned, nor the exact nature of the agreement which induced him to make the longest swim that has been watched to the estuary this year.

Soda Springs says that on Monday night about 11 o'clock a Frenchman by the name of Forrest was shot and killed by a Mexican known as "Mexican Joe." The tragedy occurred about five miles from town where the men were herding sheep for J. Houtz. Both men had been in town and were drinking and quarrel-

ing during the afternoon. Both men had rifles in their sheep wagons, and it was with one of these weapons that the deed was done. The Mexican came into town and gave himself up and the body of the unfortunate Frenchman was brought in next day.

The clever gang of counterfeiters that has been flooding California with counterfeit \$5 pieces are in the county jail. The master mind of the enterprise appears to be James F. Rodgers, only 22 years of age. Four years ago he was arrested for counterfeiting nickels, but his dire poverty at that time, and the equalor in which his family—father, mother and six children—were living, and his assertion that it was the hunger of his brothers and sisters that led him to it, worked on the sensibilities of the grand jury so that they not only refused to bring in an indictment, but took up a collection of \$50 or \$60 among its members for the relief of the family and got young James a position besides.

Vice-President C. F. Crocker of the Southern Pacific company has returned from the East to San Francisco, and announces that the Sonora railway in Mexico will be turned over to the Southern Pacific by the Santa Fe about the beginning of July. The exchange of the line in Mexico for the line between Mojave and the Needles was to have been made on June 1st, but complications arose which made it necessary to postpone the event for a few weeks. The two companies are now awaiting the permission of the Mexican government to make the trade, and when that permission is secured the property will be turned over.

Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald of California asserts that he has discovered a fact that will not please the opponents of the Hawaiian treaty. Since the matter has become debatable the commissioner has been giving the sugar-beet industry careful study, and he now declares that, without being realized by American labor, the Japanese have been steadily coming into this country and now practically have a monopoly on sugar-beet labor. While not brought here under contract, Commissioner Fitzgerald asserts they enter under a contract that is implied if not in actual existence, and on the beet plantations work for 70 cents or \$1 a day, making it impossible for any white competition in that branch of labor.

Stock Growers Journal (Mont.): For the past two weeks all range reports have drifted one way, which was to the effect that the whole range country was much in need of moisture. Stockmen who had just fairly got their faces straightened out from the winter scare, suffered a relapse, and predictions were frequent to the effect that unless we had rain soon and the warm weather continued, grass would fail to mature and cattle would be slow to take on fat. Thanks to an Almighty Providence this will not be the case, for last Monday the elements turned loose and rain has fallen nearly every day since then. While the downpour has not been heavy it has come slowly, with the result that the ground is pretty well soaked and vegetation of all kinds has assumed a vigorous hue. From all parts of the range comes the

information that rain has fallen copiously, and as a consequence stockmen are feeling jubilant.

OBITUARY NOTES.

ELLA HARRIS.

LEWISVILLE, Fremont County, Idaho, June 8, 1897.—On Friday, June 4, 1897, Sister Ella Harris, daughter of Martin and Nancy Harris, departed this life for the unseen world, having been sick about three weeks. She suffered much pain, but passed away in a peaceful manner and in hopes of a glorious resurrection. She was a good, faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and was loved and esteemed by all who knew her. She was known and respected generally for her good and exemplary deportment. When at home she was a punctual attendant at the Sunday school and the Young Ladies' meetings, and also of all meetings of divine service. Her sickness and death called for the true sympathy of her numerous relatives and friends, and every body, both in and out of the Church, seemed to outvie with one another in trying to do something to soothe and comfort her and her father's family. She was born at Clarkston, Cache county, Utah, December 30, 1875.

The funeral services were held in the Lewisville meeting house on Sunday afternoon, June 6th, 1897, and were conducted by Bishop R. F. Jardine. Long before the time appointed the large and commodious meeting house was excessively filled by the people of this and the surrounding wards, and some of her relatives and friends came from other stakes and states, including Utah. The choir under the leadership of Brother D. G. Brain, sang some good and appropriate hymns, which filled the people with a feeling of solemnity. The speakers were Elders H. Stokes, E. Bachman and H. Bramwell. Each spoke by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and poured forth words of comfort and consolation to the bereaved family, made plain the true scriptural doctrine of the resurrection of the dead, and invited all to come unto Christ and prepare themselves for the glorious future awaiting the faithful.

A long procession followed the corpse to the cemetery, numbering about seventy-five vehicles and fifteen young men on horseback. The choir again rendered a beautiful hymn at the grave. The dedicatory prayer was given by Elder W. A. Walker.

HENRY STOKES.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

GRANT.—At the residence of her parents, Mr and Mrs. B. F. Grant, Lulu Bell, from rheumatism and heart trouble, in the eighth year of her age. Deceased passed away this (Thursday) morning, June 10, 1897, after an illness of three weeks.

WALLACE.—At Pimlico, London, England, May 11, 1897, of general debility, Alexander W. Wallace, aged 63 years. He was baptized August 24, 1832, was a faithful member of the Church and admired by all for his devotion to his invalid wife, who survives him. His only son and two daughters are in Utah—Millennial Star.

JAMES.—At Dudley, England, May 17, 1897, Joseph James, aged 48 years. He was baptized when but a boy, and remained faithful until he died. He leaves a wife and one child.—Millennial Star.

DUDLEY.—At Willard, Utah, May 27, 1897, of old age and general debility, Oliver H. Dudley, aged 88 years, 3 months and 8 days. Deceased leaves four sons, two daughters, thirty-six grand-children and twenty-two great-grand-children to mourn his loss.