NEWS OF THE WEST.

John Steele, of Coalville, Commits Suicide at Park City.

A LIST OF SEVERE ACCIDENTS.

Killed by Eating Green Apples—Some at a Mineral Discovery—Lamont Not Coming Now.

Herman Whitney, an employe of William F. Rushley, was found dead Friday night at the latter's home, Berkeley, Cal. The deceased had been indulging during the day and at some cheap saloon after attending the convention in Oakland.

Detect. S. Lamont has changed his plans about his visit to the Pacific coast, and will not make his appearance in Salt Lake this year. The secretary of war has been on a tour through the Northwest, and spent some time in Yellowstone Park. His itinerary included a trip over the West, but this has been abandoned.

Bingham City *Bugler*: A few days ago, Soren Thompson, a ten-year-old boy of East River City, had a bad accident. The lad was standing in a wagon with a crowd of companions. One of the boys pushed him and he fell to the ground, striking with fearful force upon his head. One side of the boy's head was nearly scalped, his skull was crushed in and temple bone bashed out of place. Dr. Carrington says the boy is getting along all right, but it is one of the worst cases he ever saw.....This week Andrew May of Cale Fort, aged 26, met with a fearful accident. Several men were handling hay with a big iron derrick. May had gone for some purpose and as he did so the derrick slipped and caught him in its monstrous jaws. One of the long iron prongs struck May in the breast, breaking one rib, penetrated one lung and came within about half an inch of pointing on the other side of his body. The young man is passing through a terrible ordeal, but he seems to be pulling through all right.

Park City *Record*: A discovery of mineral, claim jumping and an ejectment at the point of a gun, is the sum and substance of a recent mining excitement over on the Weber river, near Lautzer's saw mill. It seems that Pat Higgins, while hauling logs, made a discovery of mineral and communicated the fact to one of two friends. The vein was examined and some of the rock extracted, which Higgins brought to Park City to have assayed. It gave returns of 52 per cent lead and 2 ounces to silver. While he was absent, some parties from Coalville stumbled on to his discovery and located the ground, something that Higgins and his friends had failed to do. On his return with the assay he and his party went up to Lake and found the Coalvillites in possession. A row occurred as soon as it could be stirred, and guns were brought into play, the result being that the parties from Coalville abandoned the location, being satisfied to move their stakes on to adjoining ground. Higgins and his friends then located the discovery and are now actively engaged in developing it, and from present information sent to town, the discovery looks fair to develop into a fair lead property that may show considerable silver as depth is attained.

Coalville, Summit county, Times: Ward E. Park Jr. came down from Weber canyon Friday suffering with a badly cut foot. The wounded member is doing well and Ward expects soon to resume work.....About a week since Mrs. J. M. Malin, of Peoa, had the misfortune to fall, injuring her left arm and shoulder very badly. Her shoulder was been very painful and she has been obliged to carry her arm in a sling since the accident.....James Lemon, son of John Lemon, of North Kamas, had his leg broken below the knee on Friday last by a horse falling on it. Mr. Lawrence now has the limb in plaster of paris and reports it doing well.....Prospects for a good harvest are looking somewhat better than a week or two ago, at Peoa, although the lovern has not fully recovered, and some will have only about half the usual crop. Wheat and oats have mostly recovered from the severe frost, at least that which was killed out entirely. Potatoes are coming up again and looking well; those planted late are doing better than those planted early. Peas are coming in bloom; early radishes are going out and the second crop is coming on.....Thursday, while G. Y. Bullock was driving his horse on Second East street, Coalville, another buggy driven by Fred Robinson coming at right angles collided with Mr. Bullock's buggy, upsetting it and throwing himself, Mr. Bullock and the baby out. Grant was uninjured, but Mrs. Bullock was severely bruised. The baby escaped injury. The strangest part of the accident was that Mr. Bullock's horse, which is a spirited one, stopped when he started to run Mrs. Bullock and the baby would surely have been killed, as they were in the buggy up. The vehicle was badly used up.

Park City *Record*: John Steele 25 years of age, living on a ranch some ten miles from Coalville, committed suicide on the morning of July 2nd by taking strychnine. Coroner C. M. Wilson went down to hold an inquest, but after reading a letter left by the deceased for his father and talking with Eugene Clark, who worked, eat and ate with Steele, he decided an inquest was unnecessary, and will make his report to the county accountant. What caused the young man to kill himself will never be known, as he failed to give any explanation, either to Clark or in the letter left for his father, and considering the fact that his associations all around, with his family and friends, were most pleasant and agreeable, and that his business interests, while not overly prosperous, were in good shape, and his general health good, though he complained the night before of a light stomach trouble. He got up at an early hour Sunday morning and went out in the yard, returning about 7 o'clock, just when Clark was dressing. He shook hands with Clark and bade him good-bye, saying he was going away, and on being asked where he was going, said the time had come for him to leave the world, and that he had taken a bottle of strychnine. Clark thought he was joking and paid no attention to him. He immediately left the house and went to counting and singing, which he kept up until the poison began to work. Assured Clark saw the man was sick he went for a neighbor, but Steele was dead before he got back. Though raised a Mormon, the deceased, in a letter to his father, said he believed in no religion and wanted no services over his grave.

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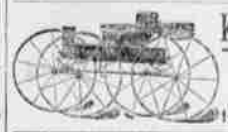
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