NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Twelve-Year-Old White Boy Who Prefers Indians to Civilization.

IRRIGATION SOCIETY ORGANIZATION.

Peculiar Deaths—Salvation Army Poor Farm—Drunken Man Taken by Dogs—Other Items.

At Gault, on Thursday afternoon a ranch hand named [illegible] Allen was killed by being dragged by a runaway horse.

John Carr, while intoxicated at Springdale, Wash., lay down in the woods to sober up. He was attacked by dogs, and when discovered was at the point of death, having been literally eaten alive.

T. Eola, an Italian woodsman, 30 years old, was killed at Fort Bragg, California, on Tuesday afternoon. A log rolled from the top of a hill and crushed him. The deceased leaves a widow and five children in Italy.

A reporter of the Roseburg (Or.) *Plaindealer* was 71 years old July 12th and wanted to wager a brass band against an elephant that he could outrun anyone in the county within four years of his age, one mile and repeat, the best three in five.

The report that the grasshoppers had about left Sonoma county, Cal., had hardly been received before it was learned that the army worm had marched in, and was doing much damage to the growing crops. At Cloverdale much damage is reported. Corn has been greatly injured and also small grain.

A white boy aged 12 years, has been discovered living among the Barclay Bay Indians, in British Columbia. He says his name is Crosie, that he ran away from San Francisco, where his father is a stone-cutter, and that he went to the tribe of his own accord. He seems to be happy with them. The provincial police will take charge of him, and communicate with his parents.

Word has been brought to Butte that Frank Danton, a blacksmith at Carlton, Mont., a mining camp in Deer Lodge county, about forty miles west of Butte, and his helper, John Cariel, were burned to death Monday. Danton was at work when a spark of fire flew into an open box of powder standing in the shop, and the flash set the whole shop ablaze. Cariel went to Danton's assistance and both perished.

A dispatch from Lander, Wyoming, says: Old Chief Sharp Nose, of the Arapahoes, has an eye to business. Last night when a party of Lander young people went over to the agency to see the Indians perform the wolf dance, the chief informed them that they could not see it unless they each paid 25 cents. The boys objected, claiming that they were friends of the Indians and that they should be admitted free. Sharp Nose shook his head and said: "When Indian goes to white man show he pay; when white man go to Indian show he pay, too." And the boys had to pay to see the dance.

Lehi Banner: The meeting called Sunday afternoon for the purpose of organizing an irrigation society for this place was called to order by Israel Evans. On motion George Webb was elected chairman and John E. Ross secretary. Mr. Evans explained the object of the society and urged the farmers to join and work for their own interest. The following officers were elected: Geo. Webb, president; Wm. Ross Jr, vice president; John Woodhouse corresponding secretary. There is no question but that this society will prove a vast benefit to our farmers if they will take hold of it in earnest. It has some of the best men in the community at its back.

Captain McFee, of the Salvation Army, will work with Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald of California for the establishment of a poor farm. The idea is to secure a tract of land and there erect a house in which poor men will be kept until work for them is found. Meanwhile they will work on the farm. The Salvation Army, he says, has places of this kind in England, Australia and Canada, but none yet in this country. Produce will be raised on the ranch, and it will be made a self-supporting institution. Men sent there will be maintained, but not paid any wages. Plans have not been formulated yet, only the broad scheme being in the captain's mind. He thinks that at least 100 acres will be necessary to begin with, and he would like to get 1000. This land must be obtained through donations, as the Salvation Army has no funds to buy it.

Two little children met their deaths through accident on Monday at San Francisco. The first was Viola Agnes Horn, the 15-months-old daughter of S. H. Horn. The baby found a bottle of carbolic acid in a cupboard beneath a washstand. There was no thought that the baby would get into the cupboard, a thing which she had never done. The parents' first intimation of the accident was when the child staggered gasping into the room with the uncorked bottle of poison in its hands. Medical aid was summoned, but the child's life could not be saved. Later in the afternoon the death by suffocation of the eight-weeks-old son of Edward Turner was reported. Mrs. Turner had laid down at 1:45 o'clock with the baby at her side. She awoke forty-five minutes later to find that in her sleep she had rolled over on the child, smothering it. The mother became almost insane on discovering what she had done.

A remarkable coincidence happened a few days ago. Sylvester Tryon, a wealthy mill owner in Sacramento, Cal., who has been suffering from Bright's disease for years past, complained on Sunday, July 7th, of pains around the heart and kidneys. He took to his bed and on the following Tuesday was dead. A telegram was sent by the family of the deceased to his brother Horatio, living in Middletown, Lake county. When this telegram reached Calistoga, it was found that there was also a telegram at that place for Sylvester Tryon, stating that his brother Horatio had died on Tuesday from Bright's disease. The Middletown brother was also well on the preceding Sunday, and, as far as can be learned, he took sick almost at the same hour as the Sacramento brother. Consequently two brothers, living in different portions of the state, taken ill at the same time, died on the same day and of the same disease.

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