# NEWS OF THE WEST.

## Important Arrest of a Counterfeiting Pair in Montana.

### A HOSPITAL PATIENT'S DEATH.

### Interesting Mining Items—Water Rates in Denver—A Road Question.

Small houses in Denver, says the News of that city, pay as the average rent for a room more for water than a room in a house in Chicago, St. Louis or Cincinnati.

According to the Mail Sentinel, there is to be a boiling competition very soon over the testing of boilers in Salt Lake schools. The school boards are needed to all concerned, but the question is to whether it is boiled to suit, pure or not is being vigorously disputed.

A fire will be almost a total loss in Indian valley that recently, says the Herald (Cal.) Dutch Dollar. The mill commenced to bloom a week or two ago and gave promise of a good run, but for some unknown cause they began bleeding, and the blooms never do hold off.

A coal bed has been cleared whereby W. A. Clark, the millionaire banker and owner of Butte, Mont., has got hold the Jeffersonville, Ind., silver and brass works of Walter A. Scott, Accounts, Clark, for $1,000,000, the property will be used to work the Lucky Virtue mines of Clark in Arizona.

Natural gas has been discovered at Beach City, Cal. Miners in sinking an opening where in shot Mary-Ann Gulch are supplied by the gas, which is light blue and severely burnes one of them. At the opening the gas can not even show it not only but when touched with a candle pointed fourth in a sheet of flame.

Mail Sentinel. A miner named Thomas, was riding on the car down the coal mine at Mentmeh, a few days ago, when by some means the car got away. Thomas succeeded in getting off of the car which went on down jumping from the track and tearing up the pipe. He is suffering from severe bruises, and is otherwise uninjured.

Colorado fruit growers, says the Denver News, have no cause for complaint with the past season, for the demand for fruit of the last for variety has been so great, that the crop has not succeeded and the very highest prices have been obtained. At Wheat Ridge the farmers have delivered the fruit of their apples at $7 a barrel—another fact prior that has obtained in the market for the juicy fruit.

What appears to be a big strike is said to have been made on the Jeffers, on a property located south of the Independence, at Cripple Creek, Colo. In consulting from the bottom of the Jeffers shaft a large body of sparkling quartz was found which assays as high as 200 per ton. The vein is fully ten feet in width and the high grade vein measures only two feet. Ore is being sent to a cabinet shipment.

Reno, Nevada, is said to be exceedingly worked up over the action of the American Protective Association members in refusing to attend a party given up by Catholic ladies, also invited by a spread furnished by Mrs. Bayard, that fully being a Catholic. It is reported that two Catholic girls, Beach and Longtree, recently, are soon to be appointed by Protestants, through the efforts of the American Protective Association.

Patrick McNearney, a patient at the county hospital at Leadville, Colo., wandered away from that place on Tuesday and started towards Aspen. About twelve miles from Leadville he was seen over by a team some time during the early morning, and the remains were found soon afterwards by the team walker. The body was torn to shreds and scattered long distance. It was picked up piece meal by the driver and was identified by the clothing.

The police at Butte, Mont., have arrested R. W. Cutler, a bohemian, and one Perkins, alias C. F. Sears, a man, on the charge of counterfeiting. A complete and perfect set of dies for a $5 gold piece of 1885, and for a silver dollar of 1886 were found in Nelson's room. Nelson claims to have purchased the dies from Cutler for $10 six weeks ago. Counterfeit $10 gold pieces and some silver dollars of the same mentioned have been circulated in Butte for almost a year. Nelson, when arrested, claimed that he came to Butte from Black City, but later said his home was in Denver.

While in Diamondville, says the Rock Springs, Wyo., News, Mr. Andrew Spence met Robert Blackhart, Robert Pryde and Wm. Hess, all of Rock Springs. They are working, but not making much tonnage. The coal is very hard and at least another man per ton is required for loading in Rock Springs. From $1.50 to $1 per day is the most the miners are making and when now there are more men to the place than Wm. Hess, it is plain. Everything is in a pitiable state, and until some progress is made in development work, it is a good thing to stay away from.

An important strike of gold bearing ore is reported to have been made in the Robert Emmet mine, on Maryland mountain, at Central City, Colo. It was from under the shaft of Nichols & Cole, the owners of the property. Many pieces of the ore from the new strike show up free gold visible to the naked eye. Twenty Hoosiers are working the property, who pay a royalty of 12.5 per cent. The ore crushed yielding five ounces of gold per ton. The company takes out from 21 to 30 per ton and the smelting ore from $15 to $40 per ton. There is already blocked out on the reserve 500 tons in length and 200 feet in depth.

An unusual scene was that witnessed at the Lower Rogue River last Sunday, says the Klamath Falls (Cal.) Express. This is the season of the year that fishers run up the river by small thousands, and the reservation Indians congregate to catch them. There were 300 Indians, squaws and children at the falls, and an equal number of white men from various parts of the country out of curiosity. The Indians had built "wickiups" and had also erected a pole from which floated the American flag. One of their chiefs, a powerful, middle-aged man, who speaks English fluently, addressed the assembly, saying that he was a Christian and was also a strong temperance man, and who refused to sell the day from fishing.


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