

earlier under suspicious circumstances and decided that something was wrong. A report was made to the police in the afternoon and detectives are at work on the case.

G. W. Loudangin last week took to the Waitsburg, Wash., Era office, a curious specimen. Nearly a month ago his son, Robert, living about seven miles northwest of Waitsburg, noticed in an alkali bank a formation which attracted his attention, and he proceeded to dig it up. What he found had the appearance of having been the horn or tusk of some huge animal. It was about seven feet long, about eight inches in diameter, and tapered to a point about one inch in diameter, with a socket in the butt end and curved like a horn. It is without joints.

An attempt was made on Wednesday night to blow up the house of Fred Anderson, at Missoula Gulch, Montana, by placing dynamite and giant powder, packed in a pair of trousers, close to the house. Fortunately the force of the explosion was away from the building, though it broke the windows and partly demolished the porch, thoroughly frightening the inmates. The perpetrators of the foul crime are supposed to be parties who had quarreled with Mr. Anderson over a mine. Eleven arrests have been made.

Evanston, Wyoming, News-Register: The semi-annual conference of the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints of this district was held in Evanston last Sunday. Both afternoon and evening services were attended by large congregations and there were a great many visitors from Randolph, Woodruff and other places. James Brown was sustained as Bishop and Thomas Parkinson and John T. Whittle as first and second counselors. The present officers of the various Church societies were also sustained. Universal interest was evinced in the conference and much good resulted.

Butte Miner, May 20: A woman was led down from Centerville last night and given over to Officer Teague. She was led because she could not see, and her blindness was caused by blows that had swollen her face out of all semblance of humanity. The lips were puffed to enormous size and the eyes were absolutely closed. Officer Teague brought his charge to the city jail, where she said her name was Mrs. Moran, and that she lived in Centerville. She was unable to talk very distinctly, but succeeded in making the officers understand that a drunken husband was the cause of her battered condition.

The body of W. C. O'Brien, a mine owner of Gleason, California, the scene of wonderful gold strikes, who left that place four days ago for Yuma, was discovered Wednesday at Speed's old stage camp on the Gila river, near Antelope station, and about forty miles from Yuma. The coroner's jury was summoned and it decided that O'Brien came to his death from unknown causes. He had camped for the night at the place where the body was found, and the condition of the camp indicated that he had prepared

his evening meal, fed his animals and lay down to rest. Next morning his burros were found by men wondering in search of something to eat.

Rocky Mountain Husbandman: Never in the history of sheep husbandry in Montana has the country been blessed with a better lambing season. Grass came early and the weather has been dry and sunny and free from raw winds. It has not been weather calculated to promote a good growth of grass, but it has been first-class for lambing and the best possible results are being obtained.

Ramon Rodriguez of the Real del Castillo, Lower California, fell down a well at San Diego, Cal., last Saturday afternoon while on horseback, and is not yet quite able to understand how he escaped with his life. He was in Las Cruces canyon, riding in the vicinity of an old mine, where a well had been sunk years ago and which had been completely hidden with brush and undergrowth. Both horse and rider were precipitated fully eighteen feet into the water below, and it was only by means of a pipe, which remained standing in the well, that Rodriguez succeeded in climbing out. He came to the surface not in the least injured. There was no hope of recovering the horse and it was killed.

An old lady has been visiting Santa Rosa, Cal., this week who, it is claimed, was once the sweetheart of Abraham Lincoln. Her name is Mrs. Susan A. Deboye, and she is the mother of Mrs. J. Cameron of Santa Rosa. The old lady, who is 84 years of age, has her home in Calistoga. Her maiden name was Susan Reid, and her father was an intimate friend of the Lincoln family, and resided many years near Jacksonville, Ill. Mr. Deboye's mind is perfectly clear. She says Lincoln desired to pay her his addresses and obtained the consent of her father to propose marriage, but when the day came for the young rail-splitter to receive her final answer she avoided him by going away from home. Her conduct in thus shunning Lincoln, she says, made her father exceedingly angry.

The Idaho Falls Times says: W. J. McGill, a young man 28 years of age, whose father has leased and is working the Briggs ranch was killed Tuesday while engaged in plowing with a sulky plow and four horses. How the accident happened no one knows, as there were no witnesses to it. The body when found was impaled upon the point of the plow, which had struck him in the breast under the left arm and penetrated the body at least six inches, making a terrible wound which reached to the heart itself. Death must have been instantaneous. Upon examining the ground it seemed probable that the unfortunate man in turning a corner had through some cause been thrown from the seat directly in front of the plow, which must have been out of the ground in making the turn. The plow was directly under the seat and evidently had been thrown forward. After he had fallen the team had travelled about fifty yards and stopped.

No dyspeptics or consumptives need ask for positions in the Berkeley, Cal., school department. The board of education decided Tuesday night that

instructors troubled with chronic indigestion were likely to be too irritable to fill their positions properly, and that those having pulmonary diseases were likely to spread such troubles among the students. A rule was adopted requiring all teachers to certify that they are free from such organic diseases. The new regulation goes into effect at once, and if any of the present employees of the board are troubled with dyspepsia or with consumption they will find their heads in danger when the time comes for appointing teachers for next year. The board will take the word of teachers or aspirants for places that they are in good health, though some of the members desired to call for doctors' certificates.

The San Francisco Chronicle of May 20 contains the following apology for having published an erroneous item: The item printed on May 10th, with reference to the illness of Mrs. Lizzie Goldberg who resides at 2006 Pierce street, due to carbolic acid poisoning, is stated by her friends and neighbors to have done her and her family as injustice. Mrs. Goldberg's declaration that the poison was taken by inadvertence is accepted as correct, as is her denial that she said to anyone that she had attempted to commit suicide. As to the intimation that the possible motive for such an act was a rumor that her husband had gone away with another woman, it is stated there was no such rumor and no such fact. Mr. Goldberg has ample evidence to show that his trip to Salt Lake was undertaken in the ordinary course of business and was in all respects conducted with propriety.

A special from Yuma, Cal., says that Calvin de Turk arrived at Hanton's ranch Friday and reported the drowning of his partner, William J. Trebarthen, with whom he left Yuma six weeks ago for a pleasure trip down the Colorado. They left in a small boat and followed the course of Big river until the Hardy was reached, up which they went to Hot Springs, where they spent a month, returning by Padroco slough, a cutoff from the Colorado. Twenty-five miles from Yuma the banks are high and narrow and the current so swift as to be impassable in a skiff. Trebarthen was standing up in the boat attempting to pull it up stream by means of bushes growing along the bank and fell overboard. His partner never saw him again except when he rose to the surface twenty yards below. De Turk searched two days for the body of the drowned man, but without success. Then he started homeward alone, and after almost two weeks of fighting against the tide he arrived at Hanton's ranch all but exhausted and his clothes hanging by shreds.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

TAYLOR.—Died in Salt Lake City, May 19th, of intestinal obstructions, Jannet Buchanan, wife of William Taylor, aged 58 years and 1 month.

TAYLOR.—Thursa Taylor, wife of Wm. Taylor, died at Daisy Cottage, Lower Hoxley, England, April 22, 1897, aged 76. She was a faithful member of the Church.