# NEWS OF THE WEST.

## Centipede Brought in a Bunch of Bananas.

### SHOT HIS COMPANION IN PLAY.

### Killed by Her Brother-in-Law—Winter for Stock in Montana and Texas—Caught on Electric Wire.

It is probable that the Federal penitentiary at McNeil's Island in Puget sound, twelve miles west of Tacoma, is soon to be moved to San Quentin, Cal. It is the only Federal prison on the Pacific coast and the second one in the country, the other being at Detroit.

Hook Tech, a Chinaman, attempted to rob G. W. Tarleton's hen roost at S in Jose, Cal., Friday night. He came in contact with some electric wires and rang a bell. The result is that Hook Tech was shot through the leg and captured. He will now have to answer in court.

Two boys, Robert Dught and Antonio Escobar, residing near San Luis Obispo, Cal., were playing with a rifle Friday evening. Dught pointed the weapon at Escobar, not knowing it was loaded and pulled the trigger. The bullet struck Escobar near the pit of the stomach and caused instant death. The boys are 10 and 8 years old respectively.

Mrs. Angelina J. Knox died at her home in Fresno, Cal., Friday aged 77 years. She was somewhat noted in the annals of the Massachusetts abolitionists before the war and was a personal friend and co-worker of Whittier. She was three years an amanuensis to Judge J. G. Birney, the first abolitionist candidate for the President of the United States.

Miles City, Montana, Stock Growers' Journal: This is one of the finest winters stockmen have ever had. The cattle have had plenty of feed on the range and they have gone up to the middle of January without a storm that would in any way injure them. Even though a cold sweep were to occur, the cattle on the range are in the finest possible stage to withstand it, and for that reason cattlemen do not fear any loss than that which is due to ordinary winter causes.

Fort Worth, Texas, Gazette: A prominent live stock man who recently returned from South Texas reports that in that part of the state there are about 40,000 more cattle than last year to be grazed. As they have recently had three splendid rains the indications are that this season they will have excellent grass, and this will, to a great extent, control the number that will be shipped from that section of the territory to be grazed. On account of the conditions named, it is estimated that the number to go this season will be short of those of last.

Friday night a man named Wm. Fynn, while returning to his home at Redwood City, Cal., slipped on the sidewalk, and in the act of falling caught hold of a wire which was hanging from a tree. The wire was charged with 2,300 volts of electricity and burned two of the fingers so badly that amputation was necessary. The remaining fingers are so affected that the doctors, who were quickly summoned, state that if they can be saved at all they will be contracted for life, as the tendons are all burned away. After the first contact Fynn was rendered unconscious, remaining suspended to the wire until his agonizing shrieks and a bright light from the wire attracted some passers-by, who caught hold of his clothing and pulled him from his uncomfortable position.

A tragedy occurred a few days ago at Camp Aleman, six miles south of Calmalli, between the ocean and gulf, and opposite Cedros island, Lower California. Ignacio Herrera, who kept a store and saloon at Camp Aleman, was giving a party one evening, and the festivities wound up in a quarrel. Several Mexicans were involved in the altercation, and one of them pulled a gun on Herrera, who was unarmed at the time. He ran up stairs to get a revolver, and after securing it, heard somebody running up the stairs in the dark toward him. He thought it was an enemy and fired point blank at the approaching form. The body fell backward and rolled to the bottom of the stairs into the light, when it was seen to be the 12-year-old sister-in-law of Herrera. She had been shot through the head and instantly killed.

When Mrs. Thomas Leary, whose husband is an actor at the Tivoli, San Francisco, bought a bunch of bananas from a peeling peddler Friday she received considerably more than she bargained for. Mrs. Leary had commented upon the inviting appearance of the fruit and was handling the bunch for the purpose of detaching the bananas, when she was startled to see a long gray object fall to the floor and then slowly second her skirt. It was a centipede. Mrs. Leary, with much presence of mind, shook off the venomous insect and then ran for a chloroform bottle. The great insect succeeded in fall near Mrs. Leary's cat, and instantly set upon it, biting it in the left leg. Then Mrs. Leary returned and managed to get enough chloroform on the centipede to stupify it, after which she placed it in a large bottle where it now crawls about. The cat was in great pain, but ammonia was at once applied to the wound and the animal is expected to recover.

A young woman about 24 years old, suffering from wounds on her face and head and scantily dressed, was brought in from Foster station, on the Cuyamaca railway, to San Diego, Cal., on Friday. She was found sitting on a trestle east of Foster yesterday morning and appeared to be partially demented. She would not tell her name and obstinately refused to answer any material questions. Her dress and other clothing seemed to be insufficient for comfort, and she wore nothing on her feet but light stockings and a pair of thin slippers, with soles almost these paper thinness. The only thing the woman had with her was a small bundle, which bore the name of Mrs. Thomas Hulie Lind on the outside. Inside were a few cakes of Mexican castile soap, and to Mr. Duffy she said that she had been engaged in peddling the soap. While refusing to say whether it was her nature that was on the violent, she told him that she had come from South Dakota overland, and that her husband had died there three months ago. She said that she was on her way to a place called Halle Station, somewhere in Mexico, where she expected to make her home with friends. Formerly, she said, she was a singer in the theatrical profession.


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