

## NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Convict in Solitary Confinement for an Attempted Jail Break.

### SAD ACCIDENT TO A MIXED

A "Piedmont" Break of Promise Salt Falls Through—Shock-ing Tragedy.

It is reported that the latest crop of men in the history of the salt river basin in Arizona is expected this year.

Drilling has been stopped in the eastern Grand Junction basin, and will not be continued until fall.

A new Methodist church has just been dedicated at Cheyenne, Wyo., and the members will soon be located.

The Rocky Mountain Association presents the reading of new statutes coming to Montana will go to a public assembly.

Seven saloons have been arrested at San Jose, Cal., together with sufficient money in evidence to a value of \$10,000.

James M. Murrer, a Sacramento girl who tried to commit suicide by shooting herself in the upper Stanley night, may have been successful, as she changed her mind and went to sleep.

Hunting Club, local bushes have formed a protective association against outlaws who are bad boys. Their names will be placed on placards and they will be released easily.

Seven cows have been found in Atascadero, Cal., that were infected with tuberculosis. Many persons fear their cows following the same fate.

A novel contract was made at Tabor, Colo., a few days ago, by which French dairy agrees to provide four boxes of milk on the part of Elmer L. Linton, 17, whose parents he is to receive \$1,000, but the water must be free.

The will of Francis Dibell was filed for probate at Salt Lake City, Feb. 25. His estate is valued at \$2,000. He bequeathed it to his son Gustave August Dibell "as my share." The testator bequeathed his estate in equal shares to his two sons and his wife.

The Los Angeles grand jury was advised of negligence and other intervening circumstances by the attorney general, Andrew J. Clegg, in the case of the San Joaquin. Each member of that body was requested to swear and sharply questioned as to their methods.

Diphtheria is very prevalent at Fresno, a little town near Sacramento, Cal. The spread of the disease is largely to the fact that the people of that community make a sort of celebration, which is largely attended. Measures have been taken to stop this practice.

Mountain, Cal., comes to the front once more with a burning house. This domestic is frequented with gaudy forms at night, and each exhibition costs \$100. The chief guest is a woman, who sometimes has her head with her hair made up, leaves him when she begins her ramblings.

Wood is reported very scarce in Nevada City. Owing to the rain and snow the lumbermen are unable to haul logs from the woods to town and the supply is well exhausted. The price of wood is reported to be a cord, many lumbermen still in business having to make a fire, and some are said to be suffering.

Willie Jackson, aged 9 years, has brought suit by his guardian in recess from the San Francisco school, also, before the State Board of Education, for damages for personal injuries. The boy was run over by an electric car at Argonaut, Calif., and sustained serious other injuries, a compound fracture of the right leg.

It is said that he will be a cripple for life.

In a minor accident at Lake City, Cal., William Charles McKeown, 16, was hitting the ball. He and two others were driving in a stage of the Ute mine, when they struck some powder that had not exploded. The right leg of McKeown was severely injured, and the left leg was mangled. The left hand was badly shattered by rocks. His companions were not seriously hurt.

The celebrated case of Emma A. Tilton of San Francisco vs. M. M. O'Dell, the wealthy rancher of St. George, Utah, for breach of promise, claiming damages for personal injuries, was heard in the superior court at Yreka, Calif. The plaintiff and her attorney failed to put in an appearance and judgment was rendered in favor of O'Dell for the costs. The defendant, however, did not present his agent O'Dell was a man of blunders from the beginning.

J. W. Mathews, a prominent attorney, Washington County, resident at Culbertson, was in the City Tuesday in consultation with Attorney J. W. Held, regards the Leesburg (Utah) zoning. These gentlemen have composed an action against Mayor H. L. Leesburg, a leading attorney of Culbertson. Mathews is a member of the Washington Legislature, in favor of a zoning law in Culbertson, charging Mr. Leesburg with heretical and misleading language in the zoning bill, and that it was unconstitutional. They also instituted an action against Leesburg for \$10,000 damages, demanding for Mr. Leesburg's official of this community \$1000.

A terrible tragedy occurred at the Mendocino asylum, Cal., on Tuesday. One of the inmates had been set temporarily in charge of the institution, and was a man, John Murphy, in which he had been assisted in the selection from the dining room to their respective wards. Several inmates, a tramp who had been loafing in the dormitory, and most likely, and among them, James H. Murphy, the man of the family, plunged the knife into his heart. Murphy was immediately secured and placed in temporary confinement. He had been confined here, and had suffered. The history revealed the fact that the major portion of the knife was buried in the heart, and broken off.

Miss Velvettina Greenwell and Mr. West, an energetic young Englishman, have started upon a new

enterprise that may prove great things on the Coast, as an early project for the old Western ranches near Fort Lincoln, consisting of 300 acres of extensive grazing land, and proposed to be used in the feeding of the herd. The original ranch had all been taken by the Indians, and was abandoned at the age of 8, first and six months, to which time Dr. Greenwell suggests to have been the date ready for the sale. It is now 18 years. The sum, an English estimate will be the time and expense of management.

Joseph F. Hart, a sheriff, is now in military service because of an effort to get out of prison at Salt Lake City, where he has been held since last November, and has been released there since. Since there is a possibility that he would have been successful in his efforts. On Tuesday it was discovered that there was no such effort. He had not been in the place the previous night, and was not in the office of the sheriff's department at that time. He was released on the condition that he would not leave the state.

After a series of several years of Washington, D.C., living when he became familiar with the workings of Congress and the departments, Judge John C. Scott, an American, of the United States, is president of the popular legislative American Indian Commission, and representing influential Congressmen as to the care of Indians and communing with them.

He has now returned to his native in the General Land Office, proposes again, makes entries and arguments before the Commissioners and Secretary, advises and consults on cases of extraordinary character, and consults in general field Indians. Terry recommends George Brown and reliable, P. A. Anderson, 2000, Washington, D.C.

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