

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

Live elk to the amount of ten wagon-loads and numbering forty head are now en route from the Jackson's Hole country, Wyo., to New York.

Ten dollars' worth of stamps and quite a sum in drafts and money orders were stolen from the postoffice at Monte Vista, Colo., Sunday morning.

Jack Tremelling, charged with the murder of John Wood near De LaMar, Ida., on the 7th of last August, has been convicted of murder in the second degree.

Mrs. Mary E. Kniffen of Camas Meadows, Fremont county, Ida., was examined at Blackfoot yesterday and declared insane. She was sent to the asylum.

At Cheyenne, Wyo., last evening, burglars attempted to blow open the safe of the Wheatland flour mill, but dismally failed in the attempt and left without a second trial.

Thomas Ruby, a Tuolumne county, Cal., miner, died Wednesday morning at the county hospital, Fresno, from the effects of carbolic acid administered with suicidal intent.

J. S. Cole, convicted of killing his sister-in-law, Mary Perez, near Castroville, Cal., last June, was sentenced to life imprisonment at San Quentin Wednesday.

Al McCanne, a well-known mining man, died suddenly at Prescott, Ariz., Wednesday of paralysis of the heart. He was part owner of the Big Bug onyx mines.

William H. Aldrich, son of an Alameda, Cal., millionaire, who came into notice in 1894 by fleeing from Hawaii as a stowaway in a sailing vessel, died Saturday after a short illness. The deceased was 40 years of age.

Some boys fired a shot from a rifle at the south-bound train arriving at Fresno, Cal., Wednesday evening. The ball shattered the glass of one of the windows, but did not injure the passengers. The culprits have not yet been discovered.

A switchman in the yards at Evans-ton, Wyo., named John Dwyer, had his right hand smashed yesterday morning while coupling cars. He was taken to the Ogden hospital and the arm will probably have to be amputated.

George Mull of Woodland, Cal., accidentally shot himself with a .38-caliber rifle Sunday. The ball entered his left side and passed under the skin for nine inches, coming out at the back. The wound is considered very dangerous.

The California state board of trade has addressed to the secretary of agriculture a letter requesting his aid in securing the introduction into that state of the blastophaga wasp, without whose aid the fig of commerce does not fertilize.

A decision of the state supreme court at Helena, Mont., yesterday, declared Henry Neill state land agent in place of James M. Page, who resigned but afterwards recalled his resignation. Neill was appointed by the governor directly after Page had filed his resignation.

C. W. Porterfield, superintendent of the Van Avery mine, at Blue canyon, near Auburn, Cal., nearly met his death Tuesday while engaged in moving a mill from the Minirici mine to his property. He was struck on the head by a falling timber and he is in a critical condition.

The remains of "Doc" Holloway, a well-known resident of Gilroy, Cal., was found Sunday on a mountain

ranch twenty-eight miles from that place. There was a bullet hole in Holloway's head, and a rifle lay beside the body. He had been dead two or three days when found.

Sunday evening as Miss Evelyn McCormick, the artist, and Miss Rodgers, both of Pacific Grove, Cal., were returning from church they were held up by footpad, and Miss McCormick lost a pocketbook containing several dollars, had her dress badly torn and her wrist sprained.

The jury in the case of Thomas Lindsay, charged with killing his wife in Chico, Cal., on June 17th, found a verdict Wednesday of guilty of manslaughter. Two ballots were taken, the first standing 11 to 1 in favor of conviction. The second was unanimous. The jury was out only seventeen minutes.

A discharged soldier named Thomas Dempsey, returning from Fort Riley, Kan., was found dead in his berth yesterday morning on a passenger train nearing Piedmont, Wyo. The deceased was an Odd Fellow in good standing, 40 years of age, and was bound for Los Angeles, Cal. The lodge at Evans-ton took charge of the remains.

Francis R. Brown of Denver, Col., committed suicide in Pueblo yesterday morning by sending a bullet whizzing through his brain. Brown was a prominent mining man and had a big deal on hand at Victor, Col., but being unable to reach that point on time he became disappointed and this is thought to have been the cause of his rash act.

Another tale of domestic unhappiness was ushered into public notice Saturday morning at Oakland, Cal., when the attorney for Lottie P. Gibson, the wife of Fred W. Gibson, the dentist of San Francisco, sued him for maintenance and related how he had forsaken her suddenly in Calaveras county, although well worth \$30,000 and possessed of a good practice.

Andre Chavanne, a pioneer capitalist and one of the best known mining engineers on the Pacific coast, died at Grass Valley, Cal., Wednesday evening at the age of 79 years. He went there in the early fifties and followed mining until his death. He was an inventor of some note, having patented a nozzle regulator and other things. He was a native of France and an Odd Fellow.

Tom Williamson, until recently a farmer of Stockton, Cal., was found dead in the vicinity of the mining town of Coulterville last Monday morning. Williamson had been visiting at Coulterville and drinking heavily. When found his rifle lay within a few inches of his side. The coroner's jury came to the conclusion that death was caused by heart disease.

In the district court at Pocatello, Idaho, suit has been commenced by James A. Murray against J. O. Bunting, administrator of the estate of C. Bunting, deceased, to recover \$23,000 on a promissory note. In the same court suit has been brought by C. E. Thum, receiver of Bunting & Co., bankers, of Blackfoot, against the Hopkins Lumber and Milling company for \$800.

Joseph Jamison, a San Francisco laborer, aged 35 years, was thrown from a scaffold Wednesday near the roof of the city hall to the ground, a distance of nearly ninety feet, and sustained fatal injuries. The accident was the result either of the carelessness of Thomas McCann, a boy in charge of

the donkey engine used for hoisting purposes, or of the engine suddenly "going wrong."

The well known dry goods firm of Einstein & Small of Redwood City, Cal., has failed. Wednesday evening the doors of the large establishment closed. The firm has been in existence for eight years and carried a \$20,000 stock. A rushing business was done, but too much credit was given and this is the cause of the failure. It was the largest establishment of its kind in the county.

Frank Brown, a typhoid fever patient at the county hospital, Los Angeles, Cal., jumped through a closed window while delirious on Thursday night and tramped across the country ten or twelve miles with scarcely any clothing on, to see a priest and ask absolution for his sins. He is back in the hospital now, after twenty-four hours' wandering, apparently none the worse for his hardships and exposure.

During a presentation of Richard III in Butte, Mont., Sunday evening, John F. Palmer, a member of John Griffith's company, while playing the role of king to Griffith's Richard, stabbed each other in the scene of the sword fight on Bosworth field. Palmer was so badly wounded that Griffith thought he had killed him, but it was not so, the king recovering in short order, although it will be some time before he can take up his part again.

The startling information was contained in a death certificate filed in the office of the board of health at Los Angeles, Cal., Wednesday that Mrs. Leona Cassigre, a native of France, aged 42, had died of starvation at her residence, 142 Mesnager street. An investigation proved that Mrs. Cassigre really died of starvation, but the starvation was produced by structures of the throat, which made it impossible for her to take nourishment.

The owners of the nickel-in-the-slot machines at Oakland, Cal., have set on foot a movement which has thus far caused but little alarm among the city officials, although it aims to place the mayor, certain members of the council and the chief of police into jail on a charge of felony. It is claimed by those who are urging the movement onward that the ordinance licensing nickel-in-the-slot devices is in direct violation of a section of the penal code.

The warfare among the Berkeley, Cal., firemen has taken a sensational turn. Dr. William O'Neill, J. J. Rose, E. J. Lough, J. W. Miller and B. Goldsmith, five charter members of the Petraltia Fire company of the Fourth ward, have resigned because of alleged gambling in the engine house, and refuse to be connected with the organization as now constituted. There are about thirty other members of the company, and they bitterly denounce this action.

Selah C. Walker, for fifteen years assistant manager of the Elite photograph gallery, San Francisco, committed suicide Tuesday night by taking cyanide of potassium. Walker was a native of Rhode Island and about 50 years of age. Some years ago he kept a shoe store at 871 Market street, but retired from that business, and, domestic troubles arising, he was estranged from his children and his wife, from whom he was soon afterwards divorced.

On Saturday, at Oakland, Cal., a leaden bullet was taken from the back of poor little Clara Fallmer, the girl who shot her lover because her jealousy had been aroused and then tried to take her own life by turning the weapon upon her ownself. The operation was based upon the disclosures made Friday under the X ray by a group of physicians, and the incision that reached the bullet was made in