NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Wife Suddenly Disappears With all the Husband's Money.

BRUTAL MURDER OF AN OLD MAN.

Judicial Ruling in Reference to a Cayote Scalp Bounty—an Interesting Experiment.

At Cheyenne, Wyo., there were 2,879 votes registered in the three wards of the city. The total registration two years ago was 3,040, which shows a falling off of 161 votes.

Another oil well has been struck in the mineral oil district at Los Angeles, Cal., which will yield at a low estimate 100 barrels of oil a day if pumped to its full capacity.

A dead Chinaman, says the Hailey (Idaho) Times, was found in a box car at Ketchum, about fifty miles to the rear of the Chinese slave in Silver street Monday. He had been there some days, and had died a natural death.

Nothing new has developed in the strange case of disappearance which came to light a few days ago, says a special dispatch from Casper, Wyo. The fate of the man who registered at the Grand Central hotel on July 21st as R. F. Lowe of Denver, and who locally is as great a mystery now as ever.

Charles T. Cowden, one of the party of cavalry which captured Jefferson Davis, who was discharged in Boston in 1865, has just died of heart disease at Seattle, Wash., aged 52 years. He was Seventh president and a former city councilman of Seattle and owned considerable property.

Dr. Pierce, milk and market inspector of Oakland, Cal., has just made an interesting experiment by inoculating tuberculine lymph into a heifer for the purpose of watching the effects. The experiment is being made with a view to proving the immunity from the dangers arising from using beef affected with tuberculosis.

At Anaconda, Mont., on Tuesday evening some mischievous pirate let the brakes on the electric car train. The car was running very slowly, so that when the brakes were struck the force of the blow shook good the conductor of the motor, and did not even throw passengers more than to shake them up.

Harry Hirsch, a young man who lives in San Francisco, returned home on Tuesday after an absence in seven years in Utah and was distressed to find that his wife had mysteriously disappeared. In moving away from the humble home she had provided for her she took the last dollar he possessed in the world. Hirsch has $7.50 on deposit in the California bank, the savings of years of toil and frugality. It disappeared with his wife.

A scheme that Anaconda agents are working, says the Helena Herald, is discussing of highbred workmen from Butte to Anaconda, by promising the work. Work is promised at $3 and $4 a day wherever the men are real. Of course, not and all the victims so employed will be discharged after a few days. Numbers of voters have thus been coaxed away—in most cases to points in Deer Lodge county.

A Chinaman named Yee Chem was stabbed and killed in his vegetable garden, one mile south of Napa, Cal., on Tuesday afternoon by two tramps, Joe Talbert and John Murphy. No cause for the deed can be learned. Other Chinamen who were near knew nothing about it save that the two men came to the field and one struck their complaints and the other stabbed him. He died almost immediately. The men have both been caught and are in jail.

On Tuesday afternoon officers raided the largest lottery game that has been running in Chinatown, San Francisco. The company running the game is known as the Four Gong Company, and is one of the most powerful secret societies in the state. A wealthy Chinese named Chin Shih has been conducting the lottery since its start. He is better known among his associates as Big Jim. Shih is reported to be one of the richest Chinese in California, and is credited with practically owning the Chinese quarter of San Jose.

The supreme court of California has declared the writ of mandate by which J. W. Ingram sought to compel State Controller Colgan to pay $50 for seventy-three coyote scalps exploited in Kern county. The action involved the question of the constitutionality of an act of the legislature in 1891, by which a bounty of $5 per head was provided for every coyote scalp presented to the authorities. Ingram was a successful hunter of coyotes, and having killed seventy-three of them in Kern county he presented the scalps to Controller Colgan and made a formal demand for $365. Colgan, however, refused to add the amount and Ingram had recourse to a writ of mandamus to compel him to do so.

When the ditch overseer of the Riverside, Cal., canal went to the little house of James Guillaume, who lives alone near the bluff beside the Riverside ditch near Colton, he found that solitary Frenchman lying dead upon the floor of his cabin, having been fearfully mutilated. His house was rifled of all the valuables of a portable nature, a Winchester rifle, a gun, shotguns and some other articles. The mattress upon the bed was cut to shreds, evidently by the robber in search of money. Investigation showed that the unfortunate man had been killed with a knife, his throat being cut from the right ear to the front of the neck. Seven Indians and Mexicans are under arrest on suspicion of having committed the crime.

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