NEWS OF THE WEST.

A Boy Stealing a Ride on a Dray Falls Off and is Killed.

DROWNED IN CROSSING A RIVER

Caught Under a Tram and Killed—Fatal Shooting Affray—Stole to Get Food.

Tuesday morning Clementine, the ten-year-old son of Leroy Pope, a prominent rancher of Lodi, Cal., was killed by a fall. His skull was fractured and he now lies in a precarious condition.

Mrs. W. W. Rockwell, who was shot by her husband last August, at Pasadena, Cal., died Tuesday afternoon. The woman had lived for over three months with a bullet in her brain, and until a week ago her recovery was thought possible.

A steel bridge is to be built by the Southern Pacific over the San Pedro river in Arizona. It will have a 160-foot span and be massively substantial. The steel will come from the East and from Texas. Work will be begun upon it at once.

W. T. Wright, aged 18, died at the Fresno county hospital Tuesday afternoon of injuries received in the Southern Pacific yards that morning. He came up from Bakersfield on the stock baggage and attempted to jump off while the cars were moving. He fell beneath the wheels, sustaining terrible injuries. The young man's parents live in Humboldt, South Dakota.

On Tuesday, Judge Crawford of Santa Rosa, Cal., sentenced Paul Miller to two years in San Quentin. Miller was charged with assaulting twelve miles from Moore & Sewall of Healdsburg. He pleaded guilty and he had been out of work for some time and had nothing to eat for several days. He stole the shoes to get money to buy food. It was his first offense.

The Episcopal convention in Lorraine is to be organized on Dec. 17th. The Episcopal bishop of Utah has been invited to preach the sermon on the occasion. The bishop of Colorado, the bishop of Montana, the bishop of the Platte (western Nebraska), the bishop of Nebraska, and other western bishops of the Episcopal church are expected to be present, as well as a large number of the clergy.

George Foster of Altamont, Cal., discovered a strange lizard of reptile appearance in a cavity of his gate post on Tuesday. Dr. W. Gibbons, who is an entomologist, has pronounced it a very rare spider with a dangerous bite. The body is a dark brown, with striped light orange color. A peculiarity of it is that its web is also dark brown in color. Dr. Gibbons says it belongs to an exceedingly dangerous species. It is about an inch in a mantle, but when its temper is ruffled puffs itself up to twice its normal size.

The county of Inyo, California, has undertaken to introduce the Mongolian pheasant. Ten pairs of birds were sufficient to thoroughly stock the state of Oregon, and it is reported that over 15,000 pheasants were killed in the Willamette valley during the open season of 1895. For some reason, however, the repeated attempts to propagate the game in that state have failed, although as Field Sports remarks, the pheasants may be found to thrive in the extreme northern counties.

Dan Rizzo, an Italian boy of 8, died at his home in San Francisco on Tuesday, from injuries sustained the preceding Wednesday evening under a heavy truck driven by an unknown teamster. The case was reported to the coroner, who made an investigation, but he was unable to learn more than that the boy was found in the street at Battery and Vallejo about dusk Wednesday evening. He was crushed and insensible, and never recovered sufficiently to relate how the accident happened. The supposition is that the lad was stealing a ride on a heavy truck, and fell upon the wheels without attracting the attention of the driver.

Word has been received of a fatal shooting at a lie camp in the Big Horn mountains, Wyoming, one week to day. The shooting was done by Fred Hyde, a saloon keeper at Rockwood, Sheridan county, Under Murray, a the contractor, was drinking in Hyde's saloon, and searching in Hyde's carry tried to climb over the bar to attack Hyde. Hyde got. Murray had a reputation as a prize fighter, and I was afraid I might not be able to hold my own with him, so I grabbed a gun and sent him through the forehead, killing him instantly." Hyde was given a hearing and pleaded not guilty to the charge of murder. He was bound over to the district court and gave bonds in the sum of $10,000 for his appearance.

The present grain blockade is without exception, the most serious the San Francisco water front has ever known. The sudden increase in the receipts, due to the eagerness of the farmers to sell on a high market, has not met with a corresponding activity of steamships in taking the grain off the wharves, and the consequence is that the grain sacks at the seawall are so full that not another sack of wheat can be put into them. The Pacific Coast Steamship company has ordered its vessels to carry no more grain until the crowded condition of its wharves is relieved. This company has a contract to handle all the Northern Pacific railway shipments of grain that go by way of San Francisco.

Joseph McCarty, 18 years of age and the son of Matthew McCarty, a prominent contractor of Stockton, Cal., was drowned near Lockeford, Cal., Tuesday, in the Mokelumne river. With another young man named Bob Gamble he started through the country to buy up turkeys for the holiday market. When they reached Lockeford they were advised to take the bridge across the river as the water was high. They disregarded the advice, however, and attempted to cross at a point known as Pinebird. In the middle of the river they struck a sand bar and their vehicle was overturned and both were thrown into the water. Gamble was an expert swimmer and managed to make the shore and was about to aid his companion when the latter was caught in the current and sank, not to rise again. The body was not recovered. The boys managed to make the shore.

F. de Lesseps, a Swiss hunter, arrived in San Francisco Tuesday morning from the Northwest Territories. At his rooms in the Palace hotel is a rare collection of trophies, destined so an addition to those which he has at his home in Lausanne. They consist of heads of heads of caribou, mountain sheep and mountain goat. In company with C. G. Conway, Mr. de Lesseps went west up the Yellow Head pass, B. C., as far as the head waters of the Fraser river on the divide. There they passed three months, during upon the coming of the snow early last month. Their big game consisted of five caribou bulls, one of very large size, of twelve mountain sheep, known as big horns, the heads of two of which were over 19 and 20 inches of spread of the horns, and a dozen of the wild Rocky Mountain goats, all of these latter being good specimens, and their horns immense in comparison and ten inches wide. Mr. de Lesseps says he has also traffic and goats in Lorne, but has not yet whose writes he is taking some from British N. A. Americas are rare in Switzerland. He reports that the Yellow Head pass country is attracting the attention of settlers.

A CURIOUS OLD LADY.

Participation In Her Own Affairs Not Lost Sight With Others.

When Henri Rochefort planned the erection of a workman's glass works at Carmaux to help the glass workers, he received an anonymous gift of 100,000 francs. The donor was Mme. Dieulouis, who has since died at Bordeaux, aged 72. She was a curious old lady, wildly generous, yet careful to miserliness, sending her gift to the glass works anonymously and then complaining when her name was omitted from the stone bearing a list of subscribers. She lived in an unpretentious house, furnished in the plainest fashion, boarded up every scrap of paper and bit of rag she found, yet helped all whom want came to her door. She sent 1,000 francs here, 5,000 there, while her own servants could scarcely get enough to eat, and their wages were extremely small. The money for the glass works was sent in a small linen bag, comparatively worthless, which no one thought of returning to her.

She sent a servant to claim it, however, and was greatly annoyed that it had not been sent back. She was very fond of cats, but even the food of her pets was measured out with a niggardly hand, and the youngest kitten had its milk in the saucer of a pleasant pet that it might not drink too much. During her last illness she scolded the nurse for rinsing a glass with filtered water. "Filtered water wears out the filter. You must be more economical." Yet this woman, so parsimonious in her own concerns, lavished benefits on the poor wherever she found them and made princely gifts out of a life annuity by no means large.—Philadelphia Times.

A Crocodile One Hundred Feet Long.

It is a well known fact, even among those who make no pretense of having their heads stored with geological and paleontological lore, that the beasts and reptiles which existed in the early ages of the world were giants when compared with the very largest representatives of the same types which still survive. This fact has recently been strikingly illustrated by a find made at Fortuna, where excavations are being made under the auspices of the Oriental Academy of Science. At that place a crocodile teeth was found which weighs almost seven pounds. M. Gerard, the professor in charge of the working corps, says that there is no doubt that the tooth formerly belonged to a gigantic crocodile, and that there is no possibility whatever that he has confounded the tooth with that of the megalosaurus, as some scientists have hinted.

M. Gerard says: "It is a typical crocodile tooth and is probably the largest specimen of the kind ever seen by man. In my estimation it is from the head of a reptile not less than 100 feet in length."—St. Louis Republic.

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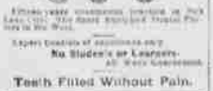

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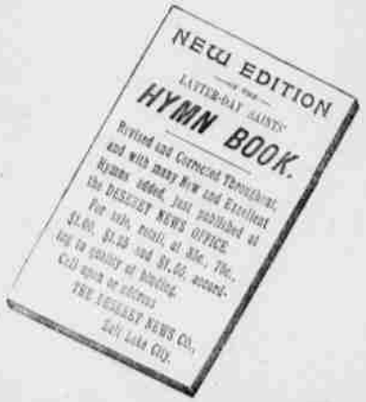
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