

gone to Hay's ranch on March 8th and had found some clothing and a pony belonging to Alfred Nielson there. She had expressed an opinion that something was wrong because Alfred would not have gone off and left his clothing and the pony. Hayer had then said he did not see how people would be so bullheaded as to pretend to think the boys were not all right.

Joseph Rowley, of American Fork, had been defendant at witness's place in March, 1895, defendant had told him that Albert had gone to Arizona, without letting any one know anything about it.

John Hanson, brother of Mrs. Hayer, testified at length in regard to the actions of Hayer when the bodies of Alfred and Andrew were found; he had not exhibited any interest in searching for them, but had rather tried to prevent witnesses and others from searching; he would not touch the bodies when found, although asked to help in taking them from the water. Hayer had carried a gun during the search and pretended to be afraid some one would do him violence.

Coroner Berg described the appearance and actions of defendant at the time of the inquest; he had been very nervous and excited and had failed to identify the bodies.

Delos Lombard testified to a conversation he had with Mr. and Mrs. Hayer in Eurka after they had received a telegram, stating that the boy of Albert Hayer had been found. Mrs. Hayer was crying and placed her hand on witness's shoulder; she pointed towards defendant and said, "Hayer, he killed my boy;" she repeated this remark.

Joseph S. Hyde testified to reluctance on the part of Hayer to notify the officers and to Mrs. Hayer saying that she knew all the time Albert had been killed but Hayer had tried to talk her out of it, saying he had gone to Arizona. Witness finally induced Mrs. Hayer to sign a telegram to Marshal Fowler, which he sent.

Wm. Tyrrel, husband of Mrs. Hayer's sister and stepfather of Andrew Johnson, corroborated the testimony of Hanson in regard to the actions of Hayer when they were looking for the bodies of Alfred and Andrew; and also testified that when the latter came advising them that the boys were gone Hayer had refused to go to the scene to look after things, and Wm. Hayer used to go. He had also said the boys were "lazy scrubs," and it was a good thing they were gone. At one time he had threatened to make it war for the boys because they had allowed themselves to be put off ground in dispute between Hayer and O. G. Stude, by Deputy Marshal Henry. Mrs. Hannah Bennett and Wm. Morris testified to matters of detail covered by other witnesses and corroborated.

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

R. J. Shields of Salt Lake is visiting Blue, Idaho.

A new gas company has been organized at Los Angeles, Cal., capitalized at \$1,000,000.

The city council of San Diego, Cal., has decided in favor of the purchase of

the Morena water system at a cost of \$1,500,000.

It is reported that the remains of a petrified whale have been found in the hills north of Lompoc, Cal., eighty feet in length.

The cannery men on the Columbia are making calculations to have their hatchery at the headwaters of the Clackamas, Ore., put into operation.

The total number of acres under reserve in East Kootenai, B. C., is 783,512. Of this 720,440 acres are in government and 43,072 in Indian reserves.

A prospector at Twenty-nine Palms, Cal., has discovered a cave containing a large collection of ancient pottery, which is thought to have been made by Aztecs.

Egbert E. Putnam was killed the other day in the logging camp of Deam and Brothers, fourteen miles east of Eugene, Or., by a heavy log rolling on his body.

An olive oil company is being organized at Chino, Cal., which will set out a large orchard in olives and build an oil press and refinery. The capital stock is to be \$150,000.

Manover Houshell of the Maricopa and Phoenix railroad has made a statement that work will commence within thirty days on the extension of the road to Florence, Arizona.

Recently Fred Panty, living on the upper Salt River, Arizona, was taken to Phoenix suffering from several severe bites from a skunk. He was bitten twice on the leg and once on the hand.

Mayor Rider of Los Angeles, who was in Salt Lake a few months ago, and who has been dangerously ill with typhoid fever, is reported to have rallied so there are now hopes for his recovery.

George Kendallson, of San Diego, Cal., went to sleep in a stable office where he had been working Monday evening, leaving a lamp burning. The lamp exploded and Kendallson was fatally burned.

David J. Dunn, one of the striking fathers who assaulted and killed a woman named Charles Marra, in San Francisco, because he would neither join the union nor the strike, has been held for murder.

Helena Schimpf of San Francisco is suing her husband, George Schimpf, for divorce on the ground of his laziness. She says he "spends his time hunting, fishing and smoking, and is adverse to labor of any kind."

H. E. Rowland, a Los Angeles, Cal., preacher, was sent to jail nearly a year ago under sentence for perjury. The supreme court of California now holds that he did not commit the offense and has been illegally imprisoned.

F. E. Phelps of Tualco, Snohomish county, Washington, has a meadow which has been out for twenty-three consecutive years and still yields three tons to the acre each year, besides several months of pasture.

Louie Melberg, a car repairer on the Great Northern railway, was fatally injured at Seattle, Wash., on Monday, by being caught between the drawheads of two flat cars. A coupling link was driven through his body.

Chauncey M. Depew and Cornelius

Vanderbilt will soon visit San Diego, Cal., at the invitation of Mayor Carlson, who is interested in the Nevada Southern and the proposed railroad from San Diego to Salt Lake City.

Mr. Wickman, a farmer living on Five Mile, in Wasco county, Oregon, says that the cold snap has destroyed millions of grasshoppers in his vicinity. The warm weather caused them to hatch freely, and the freeze destroyed them.

The Chino Valley, Cal., Beet Sugar company has issued a "poster" to be attached to contracts heretofore issued wherein said company agrees to pay 25 cents per ton more for beets than contract specifies, in case the McKinley tariff schedule is adopted during the life of the contract.

The town trustees of Monrovia, Cal., have passed an ordinance prohibiting the planting of any fruit trees—except olives—on the streets for any blue gum or peppers, and providing that all trees planted on sixty-foot street shall be planted eight and one-half feet from the property line.

James Donley fell into the river at Stockton, Cal., on Tuesday, and was drowned. He had first drawn \$125 from the bank, and it was supposed he had been pushed into the stream by somebody who wanted to rob him, but an investigation showed his fall to have been accidental.

On Tuesday Gretchen Lyons and Lucius Henderson, of Edwin Hilton Ryle's dramatic company, which was in this city a few days ago, were married by Rev. Hobart Chetwood at the California hotel, San Francisco. In the absence of relatives, the bride was given away by Mr. Ryle.

T. W. H. Shanahan, the "Talk Sycamore of Shasta," Cal., heretofore noted as a Democratic politician, has published a card announcing his withdrawal from the Democratic party and his affiliation with the Populists. The favorable attitude of the Populists towards silver is given as the reason for the transfer of allegiance.

Preston, Idaho, New Era: Dr. Shipp has had a couple of hitching poles put up in front of his place of business, and says he will be much obliged to the brethren and others attending church next door if they will fasten their horses to them and not to the front door knobs of the drug store, as some of them did formerly.

Be L. Hill, the Oakland, Cal., wife murderer who was convicted of murder in the first degree, was asked on Monday, by his attorney, if the latter should make efforts to have the sentence reduced to imprisonment for life or if possible for ten years. The murderer refused to allow the application, saying he would rather be hanged at once than go to jail for ten years.

On Monday, about a mile east of Shoshone, Idaho, a broken rail derailed three cars of a Short Line train and injured several persons, some dangerously. The baggage and mail cars and the chair car passed over the rail, which was evidently broken by the engine. The rear trucks of the Portland sleeper were thrown off the track, while the Salt Lake sleeper, the tourist sleeper and Superintendent Van Housen's private car were derailed.