# EVENTS IN THE WEST.

A Record of Occurrences in Neighboring States and Territories.

## BIG FIRE AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA.

Death of Judge Kintz—Douglas Island Stamp Mills—Murder in Oregon—Shot and Instantly Killed.

Phil McGinty, wanted in Utah for horse stealing, has been arrested at Alexander. He escaped from Idaho last July and is locked upon as an old timer and jailer.

Travel on the Central Pacific railroad has been delayed about 24 hours by a fire in the snowsheds and trestle between Emigrant Gap and Cisco. Much damage was done before the flames were subdued.

J. W. Hathaway, deputy internal revenue collector, returned to his home in Georgetown, Ida., to make surveys of a distillery which will be erected there for the manufacture of alcohol next two weeks. This will be the first distillery to be operated in the state of Idaho.

The endurance of the Colorado Midland road has been severely tested during the past few days. Snow storms of unusual severity have been raging in the mountains, and the road has been blockaded for a number of days. Trains have been run through, however, and the company has suffered no serious delay.

The political campaign which practically ended in the election of Governor Wright has been most vigorously fought all along the line. Goldfield's vote this year is fully one-half of the total vote cast in the county at the last congressional election, and the indications are that the vote will reach a total of 3,000. The Democrats claim a majority of 1,000 for Governor Wright.

The romance of Frank Densmore, son of the founders of the Union Pacific colony, who died in the insane asylum at Auburn, Maine, by native place. He was one of the most prominent men in the Yukon and was interested in a number of the richest claims. He left an estate valued at $200,000.

Late advices from Japan state that it is likely that the coal and other luxuries will be prohibited from being shipped to the Japanese ports after January 1. The Japs have decided that the Russians have the best coals next year, Japan is trying to foster home products and thus help the new foreign treaties that go into effect next year it is believed that the prohibition can be removed.

The transport steamer City of Puebla sailed Sunday for Manila with the remaining Tennessee battalion, a detachment of the signal corps, artillery, the Nevada troop of cavalry and a small detachment of regulars left behind by the thirty-fifth regiment. Dr. Wm. Wood, of Assistant Surgeon O. W. Daywell, was given permission to visit on the transport her husband.

St. Gaton, who ran a dead heat for the derby in 1894 and divided the stakes with Barrister, has been purchased by J. B. Haggin and will be brought to Rancho del Paso, near Sacramento, Cal. St. Gaton is five years old, won every race for which he started as a two-year-old, was unbeaten as a three-year-old, and as a four-year-old won all but one of his starts. He is now 5 years of age—fine defence in four seasons on the turf.

The new steamer Alameda, which the Pacific Coast Steamship Company have been erecting on Douglass Island, Alaska, are completed and on the 15th inst. will be turned over to the company by the engineers now in charge. These mills give Douglass Island a 240-stamp plant with a capacity for crushing 120 tons of ore daily. This will be a greater amount of stamp duty located on an equal area anywhere else in the world.

The Italian protected cruiser Elba arrived at San Francisco Sunday from Acapulco. She is on a cruise around the world and has been in the Pacific for over six months. At the request of the bay the Stars and Stripes were run up at the fore and mizzen peaks of the Red Rover. Shortly afterward the Italian flag was run up at an abottom and a return salute was fired from the fort. The Elba will probably go on the dry dock there and then proceed home by way of the Orient.

Richard Rising of Virginia City, for fifteen years district judge of Nevada, died at Grant's Pass, Or., on the Southern Pacific, Sunday. He had just come down from his home on Galice Creek to meet his son-in-law, Dr. Hall, for over six months. As he passed up the bay the State and Olympia were run up at the fore and mizzen peaks of the Red Rover. Shortly afterward the Italian flag was run up at an abottom and a return salute was fired from the fort. The Elba will probably go on the dry dock there and then proceed home by way of the Orient.

A messenger from Arlington arrived here last night with the news that Sheriff Snyder had been murdered. Snyder, bringing down Bill Phillis (negro) to be tried for murder, was shot and killed by the negro, who had been in the county of Douglas on a penitentiary sentence. The negro had a Winchester and shot Snyder in the back, and Forrester drew a knife and killed the negro. The negro was a desperate character. Forrester escaped and although a sheriff's posse is in pursuit he has not been captured. Snyder is a wealthy stockman, and lives in Grant County. There is much excitement over the killing.

As the result of three months' work by a party from the Field Columbian Museum, headed by Prof. H. H. Bancroft, a new species of fossil fish, found in the cretaceous measures of Kansas, will be added to the museum collection. The party secured a wonderful assortment, specimens which will be used by Professor Bancroft in delivering his lectures in Chicago next winter. Prof. Bancroft was within a few miles of Mount Carmel, Kansas, when he left Wilson county. He believes the researches are of the greatest value to fossil fish, and that the museum will have the finest collection in existence during the winter. The party was accompanied by Prof. Williston, of the University of Kansas, who will also lecture during the winter. Prof. Williston is considered one of the best authorities on fossil fish in the world. He believes the specimens secured by the party will be the finest ever found in Kansas, and that the museum will have a collection of which Chicago may well be proud.

Mrs. Louisa Parker, also known as Mrs. Smith, was shot and instantly killed at 1:30 o'clock last night by Tomaso Cotter, in a house of ill fame, located in a private box 2 x 4 feet, and about 20 feet from the front entrance, opening into Cotter's saloon, corner of Main and Second streets, Cotter, who is now in the county jail, says he was drunk and does not remember anything about the shooting. A coroner's jury found that Cotter shot Mrs. Parker with malice aforethought. The evidence was conclusive. Cotter will be tried for murder in the first degree, but insanity is mentioned as the defense by the counsel.

A fire which broke out in the stables of the Pioneer Fuel Company, Fifth street, near the corner of Main, Sacramento, at 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, caused a loss of over $100,000. Besides the stables, which were destroyed, the fire burned to the ground the planing mill and factory of the Pioneer Box and Lumber Company, and the fine residence of the fuel company's president, Mrs. Hastings. The fire was discovered in the hay loft of the stables, and when the alarm was given the flames had gained such headway that the entire structure was soon in ashes. The horses and mules were all rescued. The fire department responded promptly, but