NEWS OF THE WEST.

Peter Peavy Fools With Dynamite Once Too Often.

AN ANTI-SQUIRREL CONVENTION.

Destroying Railway Property—Killed By an Enraged Husband—List of Suicides.

Dr. Karl H. Maeser is in Idaho in the interest of Church schools.

Mrs. Cassie Rose committed suicide at San Francisco on March 3, by drinking carbolic acid.

E. B. Lowe committed suicide in San Francisco Friday, as a result of excessive liquor drinking.

The Fremont County, Idaho, Gazette has a political cartoon addressed "To the Residents of the Village of Rexburg."

The heavy snowfalls have made necessary the use of the snowplow on the Union Pacific through the Wyoming Hills.

E. K. Bramwell and Miss Zipah Hilliard, of Richfield, Iowa, came to Salt Lake City to be united in marriage in the Temple.

James N. McGuire walked and killed his father-in-law, Robert Pennebly, at Peoria, Ariz., Friday night, in a drunken row. The attack was unprovoked. McGuire leaves a wife and two children.

An enthusiastic convention is to be held at Spokane, Wash., May 16. The purpose is to take decisive steps for legislative help in exterminating our ever past, which annually destroys great the value of several hundred thousand dollars.

J. H. Peters, a pioneer philosopher of San Francisco, shot and killed himself on Thursday, while in a state of mental alienation. Several years ago a prominent but educated Scot, who occupied the same gallery, committed suicide under similar circumstances.

The examination at Ventura, Cal., of George C. Tarbox, of Tarbox'ville, where he is said to have resented his wife's infidelity, resulted in his being held to the con of $5,000 to answer in the superior court in a charge of criminal assault. His alleged victim is the fourteen-year-old daughter of Jerry Grant.

News comes from Sitka, Alaska, of the destruction by fire of the Haines Indian school. All the buildings were contagious and the lessons and pupils sought refuge in an Indian village. The weather was intensely cold, and as $2,000 was due to insure the Haines. The school was conducted under the auspices of the Home Board of Presbyterian Missions of New York.

About midnight Friday some disgusted Surface Silver broke into the car handcar operations shop at Barkerville, and intentionally destroyed nearly a thousand dollars' worth of property, including many valuable papers. The only reason that can be assigned for the act of vandalism is that it must have been the work of some discharged workman seeking to obtain revenge.

Saturday murder and suicide ended the love affair between Edward Hart, a young barber, and Diana Pedroni, a fainting-house at Oakland, Cal. An unrelenting father had forbidden his son to wed the girl of his choice, and the death of the lovers' couple was the culmination of the objection. Hart killed the girl by shooting her through the heart and then put a bullet into his own heart.

Wm. Handel was killed at Pasadena, Cal., on Thursday, by J. A. Barker for paying too much attention to Mrs. Barker. The woman objected to these attentions, and has asked her husband for protection. Handel was warned to keep away, but refused, and when he was met was hitching to the horses near the Barker residence. A slight shower of singing Mrs. Barker. He died was threatened to kill Parker.

Pocatello, Idaho, Tribune: W. W. Walters, of Ogden, representing the Bear River Valley Orchard Company, is in the city selling five and ten acre orchards in Fruitvale, a charming tract under the Bear River Canal, two miles west of Cottage. The property was set out to orchards a year ago, and is sold on small monthly payments. Purchasers have six years in which to complete their payments and the company agrees to take care of the trees during that time. A perpetual water right goes with the land, and the proposition seems to be a good one for home seekers.

Bloomers have invaded the Yukon country, Alaska, at least they are now in vogue there. Half a dozen women, attired in bloomers, gauntlets and armed with rifles, left Tacoma for the Yukon Friday on the City of Topeka. They expect to make high wages by cooking and sewing at Circle City and Forty Mile. Three of them take sewing machines. The best promised woman to go to the Yukon is Mrs. W. A. Kearney, who has been prominent in society. She accompanies her husband to Circle City, leaving the week. Mrs. Kearney also bloomers, and has been practicing with her rifle.

Being enfeebled by long association with deadly explosives causes the death of Peter Peavey, a professional diver, at Dundee, Oregon, Friday night, when he attempted several stocks of dynamite. He was standing on a raft immediately over the sunken hulk of the old wrecked steamer Lurline, and before it was connected with the dynamite on last descent. He ignored the warning of his employer to get away from the danger, and the next moment he was hurled high up in the air, attired in a diving suit of armor, and fell back into the sea a corpse. The raft on which he was standing was crushed into splinters and the force of the explosion laid bare the bottom of the bay and brought terrible havoc with the wrecked steamer. In the midst of the wreckage the corpse fell, where it lodged, and could be recovered. Without the aid of a diver. A few seconds before the discharge exploded, in reply to a warning of his danger, he laughingly ridiculed the fears of his workmen, saying they were chicken-hearted. "Watch me, I'm all right," and that moment the dynamite charge hurled him into eternity. The force of the explosion was felt for two miles distant, sweeping the rivets over and nearly swamping the schooner on which they were standing.

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