

wanting. The association was organized in Shoshone some three years ago, and as soon as the officers were elected they adjourned and went on a pleasure excursion to Shoshone Falls. So nothing was accomplished that year. Next season they assembled at Hailey with many good resolutions, but they adjourned and went to Salt Lake on a drunk at the expense of the railroad company without even examining the credentials of members. The next year they assembled at Boise City, but found they were only a side issue to the Constitutional Convention and could hardly get a quorum. They then determined to adjourn to meet at Caldwell in the fall and do some business in the interest of the newspapers. This was the first meeting called which did not have some side issue to detract from the deliberations of the men of brains. There was no excursion or no free drunk; it was to be business straight. Note the result. One member besides the *Tribune* representative "showed up," and that was the President C. M. Hayes of Silver City. Had an excursion to some point been arranged for, the whole gang would have been on hand two days in advance. Even now the glitators of the new meeting are advocating an excursion in connection. Now we don't kick on a rest and a good time, and if that is what our brothers of the quill want, let's get together and have it under the name of Pencil Pushers' Annual Bum, but don't talk Press Association; it makes us tired.—*Caldwell Tribune*.

WYOMING.

The carnival train, about which so much has been said lately, passed through here on Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock. It may once have been a thing of beauty, but it somewhat lost that gorgeous splendor which dazzled the eyes of the effete east, and our people who went to meet it found only disappointment.—*Evanston Chief*.

Lusk Herald: A special from Douglas on the 24th stated that Jerry Higginson, seven years old, stole his father's revolver and with his four year old brother went to a pasture half a mile distant and shot himself in the left breast, the ball passing between the eighth and ninth ribs, coming out at the back. He walked back to the house and lingered in terrible agony till next morning. No cause is assigned for the act. If the suicidal mania is to extend to children it will indeed be sad.

Rock Springs Miner: The wife of Henry Matson, who lives at No. 4 mine, had a needle taken from her breast on Tuesday. Three years ago, while living in Evanston, she had the misfortune to have the needle work into her arm and for the last six months has suffered a great deal of pain. On Sunday it had worked so close to the skin just above the right nipple that she could feel it. Dr. Smith administered ether to the sufferer and extracted the needle, and she is now doing well.

Rock Springs Miner: Last Sunday afternoon a mass meeting of the miners convened in Swanson's Hall.

A large number was present. The object of the meeting was to consider the screen question at No. 8 mine. George Savage was chosen chairman and F. H. Poidas assistant chairman and interpreter for the Finns, who were there in great force. These two gentlemen discharged their duties in a most able manner. The screen question was fully discussed and a resolution was passed to the effect that the only fair and just method of weighing coal was to weigh each man's coal in the pit car before passing over the screen.

Lusk Herald: The drouth seems to again extend in that portion of the country this year as it did last season. North-western Nebraska is again threatened with acrop failure, and a visit to Chadron and Crawford shows that grain is suffering touch more in that section for want of rain than it is here. If this part of the country had been visited by half the rain as has Nebraska, all vegetation would be enjoying a rank growth. Somehow Western Nebraska does not seem to have the soil that Eastern Wyoming has, and much more sand, which causes it to stand less drouth than does the soil here.

Sundance Gazette: Dan Sparks, one of the old-timers of Crook County and a first-class all around hustler, was in town a day or two this week, getting ready to return to the Belle Fourche oil fields, where he will sink a well for the Standard Company. The new well will be put down a short distance west of the present well, and will penetrate the first sand rock, which it is thought can be done inside of 500 feet at this point. The old well reached this sand rock at a depth of 296 feet, and quite a quantity of oil was secured. The removal of the machinery to the second location is done at the suggestion of Professor Ricketts.

COLORADO.

W. D. Beardmore, a young man employed on Beardsley's ranch, near Collataville, met a most horrible death on the 4th, the particulars of which have just reached this city. The young man had driven a team into town and was sitting in the wagon in the street when some boys threw a bunch of firecrackers under the horses, which were young and fiery. They immediately took fright and ran at the top of their speed, the young man holding on as best he could. Crossing a culvert, the wagon bounded into the air. The driver was thrown from his seat and landed on one of the front wheels, his limbs becoming entangled in the spokes. In an instant he was crushed between the wheel and wagon box and wound around the wheel. The horses ran over a mile before they were captured, and then it was found that the body of the unfortunate man was mangled beyond recognition. Every bone in his body was broken and his skull crushed, from which the brains were oozing. He was about 22 or 23 years of age, and unmarried.

NEBRASKA.

Omaha, Neb., July 7.—The peace and quiet of an otherwise orderly

Sunday was rudely broken in upon by a shooting tragedy near the corner of Sixth and Bancroft streets, as a result of which the body of a boy, scarcely in his teens, lies in the morgue horribly mutilated and another boy, but a few years his senior, is under arrest, charged with the crime. According to the story of the prisoner, N. F. Adair, he and his half brother had been out hunting and had just returned from the grove, when they saw the deceased and two of his young companions seated under a tree enjoying a feast of green apples which they had gathered in that immediate neighborhood. The hunters stopped to inquire where they had gotten the apples, and after a short conversation were about to pass on. Adair hid his gun in front of him, holding it down at arm's length, and the first thing he knew it was discharged, the load of No. 6 shot taking effect in the head of one of the three boys who were sitting under the trees. The boys, horrified at the sight, immediately scampered away, and Adair at once went home and told his mother and she requested him to go to police headquarters and give himself up to the authorities. Deputy Coroner Martin viewed the body and made a rather hasty examination. It was apparent that the victim had been but a short distance from the muzzle of the gun, as the shot had scattered but little before entering the head of the deceased. The entire face and forehead above the lower jaw was torn away, tearing open the skull and allowing the brain matter to ooze out. The coroner empaneled a jury this morning, but little information was gathered at the inquest, the companions of the dead boy not having been found. The body of the boy was identified late this afternoon as that of Johnnie Hamerneck. Adair is assisting the police to find the missing boys.

THE *Arizona Star* says: "It appears that the Mormons in large numbers are colonizing the rich valleys of the Sierra Madres, Sonora, Mexico. Hundreds of families from Utah have colonized at many different points in both eastern Sonora and western Chihuahua. They are reclaiming the lands to agriculture and horticulture, taking out extensive irrigation canals, as they did in the early days of their settlement in Utah. It is said by those who ought to know of what they speak that, in less than five years, there will be more than a hundred thousand Mormons in the region of the Sierra Madres. They have gone in with a view to the conquest of that vast area of country. They are taking in these families from Utah in great numbers, and as they are the greatest irrigating canal builders in the United States and have always succeeded in reclaiming the deserts in Utah, Idaho and Arizona, it is but reasonable to believe that they will soon make the Sierra Madres too warm for the renegade Apaches, who now find that great range of mountain fastnesses the last of their strongholds."