

## WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

the clip and was literally drowned by the syrup. He was found dead with his mouth open and the molasses pouring into it. He was known as a glutton, but was not strong mentally, because of an injury on the head, sustained by an accident some time since.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 18.—Telegrams from Bile, eastern Turkey, state that the houses of Rev. Geo. P. Knapp and Rev. Royal M. Cole, Armenian missionaries for the American Board of Foreign Missions, Boston, have been blockaded by the Turkish government and the servants are not allowed to go and come from the market.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 18.—Mrs. Cell, for cruelty to her grandchildren, was today sentenced to life imprisonment. She punished a boy of 15 and a girl of 16 with most fiendish torture that ingenuity could conceive. Stripping them to the thinnest clothing she would soak them in water and compel them to sit before the open windows when the temperature was several degrees below zero, till they were nearly frozen stiff. On one occasion the boy was kept at work in the cold, improperly clad until his toes were frozen and dropped off. The children were fed victuals all mixed with noxious fluids like kerosene, turpentine and worse.

HELENA, Mont., April 18.—News was received here this morning that sometime last night a powder magazine belonging to the Broadwater group of mines near Nelhart exploded. Six men are known to be killed and one is missing; sixteen were injured, many seriously. This is the third serious mine accident in this state in two weeks.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 18.—Early this morning Sterling Savage was taken from bed at Irving college, seven miles from Nashville, by masked moonshiners and hanged. He was suspected of being a "spotter" for the U. S. officers.

## IDAHO WEATHER.

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, April 14.—The weather of the week ending Monday, April 13, was generally cloudy and cold, with frequent high winds and light rain or snowfall, the latter occurring principally over the eastern district, amounting in a few places to three inches or more which, however, disappeared in a short time. Light frosts have occurred in portions of the eastern and western districts, but no serious damage is reported.

Wet weather has kept the soil in excellent condition for farm work which has progressed fairly well though interrupted in a few cases by too much moisture. A large part of the grain crop has been sown, and many farmers are turning their attention to the planting of early garden truck.

The prevailing cool weather has retarded the growth of vegetation to some extent; early wheat is coming up slowly and looking fairly well; lucern has made little progress; many trees in the northern district are in full bloom.

Stock has wintered well and is in good condition.

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The Hessian fly is ravaging wheat fields in Sonoma county, Cal.

There is a coal war at Pocatello, Idaho.

The past week's frost did great damage to California's fruit crop.

Peter Peron, a Swede, died at San Jose, Cal., Friday from drink and exposure.

Phillip Smith, aged 56, was killed by a falling wall in San Francisco on Thursday.

The amount of prizes offered in Colorado to raisers of sugar beets this year is \$176.50.

The farmers of Camas Prairie, Blaine county, Idaho, have formed an association to keep out sheep herds.

The Wyoming Democratic state convention will be held at Laramie May 21.

The California state fair will be held at Sacramento this year from Sept. 1 to 19, inclusive.

Arthur B. Bradford, a carpenter 65 years of age, was struck by a Los Angeles, Cal., electric car on Monday and fatally injured.

Oakland, Cal., now fines every bicyclist who rides on the sidewalk \$2.50. As a result the city took in \$30 on Monday.

The Nevada Southern has been sold to the California Eastern railway company, which will extend its line to Goode Springs, Nevada.

Garfield county, Colorado, farmers are asking each other the question, through the local press: Why cannot we make sugar here as well as in Utah?

Allie Pombrass, a 19-year-old waitress in San Francisco, became despondent over the loss of her position on Thursday, and committed suicide by taking carbolic acid.

Three feet of snow fell in western Wyoming during the recent storm, and sheepowners were afraid of disastrous results, but the sudden change to clear weather has averted danger.

The face of Mrs. Vine, of Oakland, Cal., was blistered and scarred in a shocking manner as a result of a lotion which she had used to beautify her complexion on Friday. She will be disfigured for life.

Andrew McIlrain, sentenced to five years' imprisonment in Idaho for assault with a deadly weapon upon Charles Manassa, at Montpelier, is to be tried for murder now that Manassa has succumbed to his wounds.

Three hogs were locked up at Fowler, Cal., in January, and was forgotten for seventy-three days, when discovered one animal was alive, and will recover from the long fast. The hog had not attempted to eat the bodies of its companions.

Deming, New Mexico, Headlight: Max Heymann, formerly one of Deming's most hustling business men, is now in London, but expects shortly to return to the United States. He writes that he recently saw John W. Young, who expressed himself as confident of the success of the railroad into Mexico.

Albion, Idaho Times: L. G. Hardy,

a mining expert from Salt Lake City, arrived in Albion Monday evening en route to Almo, to examine a mine located near that place with a view to purchasing same for a syndicate of Salt Lake City. He will also examine the mines on Connor creek before returning to Salt Lake. It is stated that the Connor creek prospects are the finest ever located in Idaho and the chances are before the snow flies next fall there will be a flourishing and prosperous mining camp furnishing employment to thousands of men. Truly the mining interests of Cassia county has a brilliant future.

Charles Haber, Charles J. Lantry, James Farrington and 140 other cattlemen in Lyon, Chase and other counties in that section of Kansas, who banded together to prosecute the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway company, Hosler Bros., and Brogan & Sons, for shipping Texas cattle into their grazing country and spreading disease among their stock, have won their case in the supreme court. The case was tried in the district court of Lyon county, where the cattlemen obtained a verdict for \$50,000 damages, including interest. The defendants appealed to the supreme court on the ground that the state law under which the case was brought was in conflict with the federal statute, and that the proceedings were irregular. The supreme court sustained the decision of the lower court.

Evanston News-Register: An important decision has been rendered by Judge Knight in the case of Union Pacific Land and Water company vs. Rigby & Holden for trespass. The suit involved the right of sheepmen to graze their flocks upon lands leased by others from the railroad company within the twenty mile grant limit. The court held that such grazing would be trespass; that the government sections which alternate with railroad sections, are open to all parties for grazing purposes and that care must be exercised in crossing the railroad lands. This practically shuts out the sheepmen, and the cattlemen who have leased large amounts of the railroad land, are rejoicing at the opportunity the decision gives them to control the ranges. Rigby & Holden are Utah sheep owners, the former residing at Salt Lake City.

Evanston News-Register: Clarence W. Clark is obtaining signatures preparatory to the organization of a rod and gun club for Uinta county. The object as set forth in the petition is as follows: "We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, hereby agree to form the Uinta county rod and gun club for the primary purpose of protecting the game and fish within the county of Uinta, state of Wyoming, and the adjacent counties both in this state and the states of Utah and Idaho, and the enforcing of the law for the said purposes." The association will be formed for the purpose of securing co-operative work among state sportsmen's associations, game wardens and individuals, in protecting game and fish during the close season; to obtain harmonious legislation by and between the several states.