

Prussia, and while on the face of his opinion gives legal reasons for refusing the company a certificate to do business, it is apparent his object is retaliation on the Prussian government for declining to permit an American company to do business in their country and of the hostile attitude of that government towards California fruits."

The San Francisco train due in Stockton, Cal., at 1:08 o'clock Wednesday afternoon ran into and instantly killed a man near the depot at French camp. Fred Warner, of French camp, who witnessed the accident, says that he saw the man sitting on the cattle guard a minute or two before the accident. A notebook found on the dead man indicates that his name was John W. Thompson; that he was born at Noblesville, Ind., Jan. 13, 1821, and that he left Frankfort, Ross county, Ohio, on the first day of this year on board a train, without a nickel.

Thursday night detectives at San Francisco arrested Frank M. Simpson, who is wanted at Marshfield, Oregon, on charges of embezzlement, arson and falsifying accounts. At first he denied his identity, saying his name was Frank Smith, but later admitted that he was the man wanted. He says he was in the employ of the Coos Bay, Roseburg and Eastern Railroad and Navigation company for three years, as agent at Marshfield. He claims to be innocent of the charges against him and says he was only waiting in San Francisco for money from his folks, who reside in San Diego, to enable him to return to Oregon.

Admiral Kirkland at Vallejo, Cal., has received telegraphic orders to instruct Captain Louis Kemf of the receiving ship Independence, to sign all the able-bodied seamen he can possibly pass. The shipment of boys which has been going on for some months will continue. The Charleston, Yorktown and Philadelphia are the best ships now there, but little work is being done on them at present. Admiral Kirkland says that he can prepare these vessels for sea within six weeks. There are 500 men employed in the construction department and orders have been issued for the employment of additional labor.

A man named Fred, said to be a Salt Laker, and to have been employed at Calder's park during the Pioneer Jubilee, was killed at Kemmerer, Wyo., Friday, while attempting to burglarize the store of W. S. Post. Fred was accompanied by two others and when the storekeeper heard their work from his upstairs room he quietly slipped down on them and fired five shots killing the man named. The others escaped but were captured below Diamondville shortly after. They gave the names of Howard Conartree of Spokane and Charles Adams of Seattle. The dead man is described as short and stout, of age.

Wm. M. Redding died at 4 o'clock Friday in a dive at Lewiston, Ida., under mysterious circumstances. Redding went there a week ago from Salmon River country. He had \$800 in cash, a team or horses and a wagon, and stated that he was en route to the Klondike. Shortly after his arrival he indulged in a drunken spree and squandered all his money but \$200. Thursday morning he made preparations to resume his journey, but in the evening he accompanied a disreputable woman to her room. He was alone there at 4 o'clock Friday morning, when the woman's male associate found him in a dying condition. A physician was summoned, but the man died before his arrival.

A dispatch from San Francisco says the McCloud River railroad is to be extended this year. This railroad at present starts from Upton, a station on the Southern Pacific, two miles north

of Sisson, and runs in a southeasterly direction 20 miles to a station called McCloud. It climbs over the southern spur of Mount Shasta. The intention is to extend it to the town of Alturas, in Modoc county, a distance of 50 miles. When Alturas is reached it is not improbable that a connection will be made at Susanville, in the same county, with the Nevada, California and Oregon railroad, which runs north from Reno. In that event it would form a cut-off line for business between Oregon and Nevada.

Ranchmen of northern Laramie county, Wyo., report that they have suffered no losses of stock during the present winter from storms but the losses from the depredations of wolves have been severe. Two weeks ago a band of fifty big gray wolves crossed the country from near Douglas to Glendo, killing grown stock as well as calves. The loss has been noticeably great among dehorned cattle, as they can make no defense. A number of ranchmen are bringing in dogs and training them to run with stock for the purpose of protection. A cross-breed between a mastiff and stag hound is found to be the best kind of animal for fighting wolves, and ranchmen are getting packs of them as fast as they can.

Leopold Nathan Feldman, a physician of London, England, and a son of wealthy parents, committed suicide today (Wednesday) in his apartments at 523 Eddy street, San Francisco. He took poison, the character of which is at present unknown. Despondency caused by his unrequited affection for Miss Rena Levy, an estimable young lady of that city and inability to collect money due him caused him to end his life. He left a letter bequeathing all he possessed to Miss Levy, another stating he was weary of life addressed to Dr. M. S. Levy, and a short communication to his parents in London who are reputed to be wealthy. Miss Levy says she was never engaged to Dr. Feldman, but that he was a casual visitor at her home.

Two girls, weary of their way of life, tried to die together in the San Francisco bay Monday, and their lack of success was due to the chance that a launch from the United States coast survey steamer Patterson happened to see their melodramatic leap and rescued them long before the boat of the ferry from which they jumped was within reach. Both the would-be sub-both are young. One was desperately unhappy and the other was drunk. They planned their tragic exit together, and while the drunken one repents and says that she will get gloriously drunk again the unhappy one says she will yet accomplish her end. The girl's names are Grace Pig-gott aged 20 and Lina Carillo aged 18.

John Baker, the old man who was saved from drowning near the foot of Mound street, Alameda, Cal., a few years ago by the heroic action of Veda McKean and Dora Patterson, was discovered alone in his cabin Sunday in a helpless and starving condition. Baker lives by himself on College avenue. He had not been seen for several days, so Norman Prescott and Dunwoode McKean called Sunday to inquire after him. They found Baker in a fearfully weakened state, as he had not been able to secure assistance. He had eaten nothing since the Tuesday previous, when he had become prostrated, and in all the long interval he was unable to move from his bed.

T. C. Porter of Honolulu threw himself under a freight train at Livermore, Cal., Monday morning and was instantly killed. He was insane at the time of the commission of the desperate act. Six months ago in a secluded place in the Golden Gate Park, San

Francisco he cut one of the arteries of his wrist. He was found before he bled to death, however, and has since been carefully watched. Porter was an expert accountant in Honolulu, and about a year ago under the strain of too much work his health gave out. He was advised to go to San Francisco for special treatment and it was also thought that the change of climate would do him good. He made the trip accompanied by his wife and five-year-old daughter.

It is positively announced that work is about to be started on the West Shore railway between San Francisco and Santa Cruz, Cal. The surveys have been completed, rights of way perfected and estimates approved for the construction and equipment of a broad gauge road seventy-seven miles long, to cost \$1,400,000. C. M. Sanger, a Milwaukee capitalist, and several business associates of his in Milwaukee and Chicago are largely interested in the projected road.

A dispatch from San Diego, Cal., says that the third high power gun for the Ballast Point fortifications will be removed to the fortifications today (Saturday.) A large force of men is at work preparing the foundations for the receipt of the big guns, but they will not be mounted at once unless orders to that effect are received from Washington, as it is proposed to allow the concrete foundations ample time to harden.

Herman Leibes, founder of the great fur house of H. Leibes & Co., the North American Commercial company and the Alaska Exploration company, San Francisco, died in London, England, last Monday evening, at the home of his cousin, Solomon Leibes, with whom the deceased had made his home for the past three years while in England. The sad intelligence was conveyed to his relatives and business associates by cable Tuesday morning, and the doors of his large establishment were closed. Herman Leibes was born in Rawicz, Prussia, in 1842, and was 55 years and 11 months of age. He arrived in New York in 1862, worked at his trade as a furrier for some time, and there met Charles J. Behlow, working in the same shop. The two became friends and formed a partnership which has continued since. The two ambitious young men conceived the idea that California offered better opportunities for them and they started for the Golden state, arriving in San Francisco October 6, 1864.

Little Lizzie Bailey, the five-year-old daughter of Fred Bailey died at San Pedro, Cal., Thursday afternoon, from burns received while at play. The child was with young companions in the yard adjoining her parents' home Wednesday. A neighbor was burning rubbish, and the little one walked thoughtlessly over the fire. The flames communicated to her dress, and in an instant she was ablaze. She tried to get home through a small hole in the fence, but got caught. A woman ran with an ax and smashed the fence so the child could get through, and in the meantime her mother, who had been alarmed by the furious barking of a dog which had long been a faithful attendant of the child, hastened to the scene. By the time Mrs. Bailey reached her daughter the little one was enveloped in flames. The mother wore a heavy woolen skirt, which she wrapped about the girl, and finally succeeded in smothering the fire. All evening and night the child cried out in agony, but later became unconscious, remaining so till death.

To go to bed late at night and rise at daybreak and imagine that every hour taken from sleep is an hour gained.