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## EVENTS IN THE WEST.

A Record of Occurrences in Neighboring States and Territories.

A VOLUNTEER DIES OF PNEUMONIA.

Transferred to General Otis's Command—Message from Charleston—Her Son with Admiral Dewey.

The body of James Murphy of Butte, missing since December 10th, was found Monday in Maunabo gulch, twenty-two miles off. He had relatives there and was caught in a blizzard and frozen to death.

Mrs. Sarah B. Blumhofer died at Cheyenne, Wyo., Monday, aged 83 years. Mrs. Blumhofer was the wife of John Blumhofer, the Wyoming state librarian, and has lived in Cheyenne since 1882.

The Idaho state board of pardons extended clemency to four prisoners Monday. They are Dan B. Danvers, sent up for auto-stealing; Frank Avery, robbery; John Smith, burglary; W. K. Wilson, grand larceny.

Reports from a dozen or more counties in the north of Texas, in the wheat belt, state that fully one-half of the crop has been destroyed by the tornado of Friday night and the second of grain, which followed.

The following was brought to the San Francisco Examiner office by a passenger: "On board United States ship Charleston, 31 a.m. Sunday, May 22, Griffin, naval pay officer, San Francisco, Cal., reports us some passing ship ship. Good weather. All well. Signed Henry."

Warren Emmerich dropped dead Saturday morning at his farm in the beach, five miles from the city, says the Boise Bladonian. He was walking about his farm when he fell and when found, life was ebbing. Heart failure was the cause. The deceased was 38 years of age. He was a brother of J. C. Emmerich of Boise, the well known sheepman.

Mrs. Eberling, of Oakland, Cal., whose only son is with Lewis at Manila, has applied to the county for assistance. She says up to the time of the battle of Manila her son sent regular remittances, but since then no money has come. Her application was a personal appeal to the supervisors to enable her to reach relatives in Nebraska. She was given \$10 and an effort will be made to secure transportation for her.

Sergeant James F. McCarthy, Company D of the First Regiment of California volunteers, died of the post hospital Monday morning of pneumonia. He was the first man of the state's volunteers to die in the service of the government, and by the order of Colonel Morris, commandant of the Frontiers, he will be given a military funeral and laid to rest in the peaceful cemetery upon the reservation.

Orders were issued at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., Monday by command of Maj. Gen. Merriam, directing the Second battalion, First regiment Washington volunteers under command of Col. J. H. Whitley, now stationed at Tacoma, to proceed without delay to Vancouver Barracks and take station. The battalion, consisting of four companies, 426 men and officers, is expected to arrive there Wednesday morning. Maj. Gen. Merriam, N. H. Atkinson received orders relieving him from duty as chief commissary of the department of the Columbia, and dis-

missing him to proceed to Philadelphia, Pa., and report to Maj. Gen. Atkinson, second army corps, as chief commissary officer on his staff.

The First California volunteers, now on board the City of Peking, spent the whole hours Monday night in duty, discipline having been temporarily relaxed. Arriving at Manila on the 20th, the men were called to quarters and the guards were placed on duty. A signal of manliness was sent from the Monterey for control duty. With abundant arms they passed the decks of the Peking and of the huge lighter. They were under arms and knew that heavy gunfire of gunboats would be directed upon them, were they large or small, that ventured near the ship. The Peking will see this guarded until the ammunition and stores are safely in the hold.

The Virginia, N.Y., Enterprise says that W. Piper of New York City met with a serious accident which will probably disable his right arm for some time. He was an almost infatigable escapee from death. He was at work in the shaft of the Deseret mine, which is owned by him and his partner. As he was ascending the ladder, he fell from it. There were several hundred feet of empty space below him. He did not fall far, however, before his right arm passed between the rungs of the ladder, thus compelling him in a most dangerous position, from which he finally rescued himself and made his escape to the surface. An examination proved that the arm was dislocated at the shoulder and badly strained.

An order has been issued by General Merriam, commanding the Department of California, transferring all the troops from San Francisco, with the exception of the Third artillery, Fourth cavalry and First Washington volunteers to General Otis's command, as a preliminary step in the thorough organization of the forces destined for the Philippines. General Otis and his staff are now actively engaged in arranging for the work and within a day or two his headquarters will be moved from the Phelan building to Camp Sherman. The general and his staff will go into camp with the troops, living under canvas with the others, and his chief work will be the organization of the troops into brigades. Then the men will be thoroughly drilled before their departure for the Philippines.

Evanson Man Still Missing.

Evanson, Wyo., Press: Quite an excitement has been created the past three days owing to the disappearance of George A. Milson. He was last seen by Ole Peterson and Alfred Osterud at 2 a.m. Wednesday on the railroad track opposite the coal chutes, sitting rather peculiar and going towards the river. He has not been seen since, and his hat, identified by his wife, was found the day following in the willows on the water's edge. The river has been newly thoroughly drugged without getting the body. Mrs. Milson is left with five children in a very embarrassing financial condition. The missing man has been a steady working man at the shops for several years. It is not thought that he committed suicide, but was passing too near the river and fell in.

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