

WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

The cattlemen in Colorado and Wyoming are again making war on the sheepmen.

D. H. Bellow, a wealthy old man of Long Beach, Cal., was struck by a train and killed on Monday night.

The Lusk, Montana, Herald says that during the cold weather of last week a band of Wilson brothers' sheep piled up and that something over 100 head were smothered to death.

While attempting to stop a runaway horse Tuesday evening, A. A. Allen of Los Angeles, Cal., was thrown down and dragged quite a distance, his skull being cracked from ear to ear.

De La Mar, Nevada, Lode: Charles Stormer, who it is said is chopping wood in our hills, is heir to a large estate left him by the death of his father and mother in the East.

News comes from Keswick, Cal., that there was an explosion of gasoline there Tuesday evening, resulting in the burning of twelve men. Among them Arthur Dean, who is badly hurt.

The coroner's jury in the case of John Owen, killed in No. 6 mine at Alma, Wyoming, by the falling of a lot of coal, has returned a verdict of accidental death. The deceased has a daughter in Salt Lake City.

A suit for \$30,000 damages has been instituted by Dr. C. A. Stoddard against the city of Pueblo, Colorado. He claims to have been thrown from a buggy as a result of the dangerous condition of the streets.

Some boys playfully threw some beans at young Douglas McGoeck at Highland, Cal. One of these lodged in his ear and could not be extracted. A violent inflammation set in, he soon became crazy and died in three days.

Conductor William Allison was run over and killed by his train at Starkville, Col., on Tuesday. He was running ahead of the train to make a coupling when he slipped on the ice and fell on his back across the track.

Lewiston, Idaho, Tribune: R. C. Dunlap has been arrested at Lawai on the charge of raping his two daughters, aged 13 and 16 years. The same party was recently acquitted on the charge of raping the daughter of one of his neighbors.

A collision occurred between two freight trains in the Colorado Midland yard at Glenwood Springs, Col., on Tuesday night. None of the trainmen were injured and the damage done to the engines was not great. The failure of the brakes to work was the cause of the accident.

De La Mar, Nevada, Lode: B. F. Bonnell writes Sheriff Freudenthal from Riverville that the body of an unknown man has been found about three and a half miles up the Virgin river, and that it was a case of suicide from hanging with a piece of baling wire.

The city board of trustees of Sacramento, Cal., has passed an ordinance against spitting on the sidewalks, in street cars, or any public place. The mayor has signed the ordinance and

the police have been instructed to rigidly enforce the law, which they intend to do without fear or favor.

G. M. Mareski of Oakland, Cal., went to sleep after reading in bed by the light of an oil lamp. He awoke to find the lamp overturned and the room ablaze. The department was called out and extinguished the blaze after about \$400 damage had been done.

Ogden Evening Press: Wednesday night about 10:30 fire destroyed the residence of Mrs. Eggleston, 2,654 Quincy avenue, occupied by Officer Murray. The origin of the fire is unknown. The house and furniture was a total loss, aggregating about \$1,500, fully covered by insurance.

Adolph Whitebread, a California pioneer, committed suicide at Weaver-ville, Cal., on Tuesday morning by slashing his throat from ear to ear with a razor. He had recently taken the gold cure for alcoholism, and it is thought the change and the medicine was too severe for a man of his age, as his heart became affected.

A young man with a fortune was committed to the Utah asylum at San Francisco on Tuesday. The unfortunate is Fred Reiner, a former resident of San Rafael. Reiner some months ago inherited a fortune of \$250,000 from the estate of his mother in Germany. He has since devoted himself to a wild orgie of dissipation with the result that he is now a wreck both in body and mind.

The 8-year-old son of M. M. Saudade, a resident of Mendocino, Cal., mysteriously disappeared from his home last Sunday morning. His parents and others scoured the woods in all directions, and the river, which runs near his home, was dragged. Saturday afternoon his body was found in the river. The little fellow probably fell off the boom sticks while at play.

George Blake of Alameda, Cal., was nearly drowned in the tidal canal late Friday afternoon while fishing. All sorts of crafts are pressed into service by the fishermen, and his was more of a box than a boat. Thus it happened that when he took in a passenger in Captain Thorning, who wanted to get ashore from his boat, Blake's box upset. Thorning swam to land, but Blake could not swim, and nearly drowned before he was fished out.

John Bungard, a miner in the Utica mine at Angels, Cal., met with sudden death in the shaft Friday afternoon. He was engaged in repairing some of the timber linings of the shaft, and was trying to place a heavy plank in position, when it caught in the pump bob and was thrown toward him, striking his head and forcing him back against the rough surface of the shaft. His head was crushed to a jelly and he was dead when extricated. The dead man leaves a widow and child.

Uintab, Wyoming, Herald: Master James Burbank, 14 years old, who lives on a farm at Bennington, four miles north of Montpelier, met with a fatal accident last Sunday while his

parents were at church. He was loading a shotgun with lead slugs, when it was accidentally discharged, blowing the left side of his head off, the slugs remaining in his head, making a frightful wound. Dr. Hoover of Montpelier was summoned and said it was impossible for him to recover.

Ed. Morrison of Green river, Montana, met with a serious accident at the stock yards in that city on Friday last. He was assisting in unloading cattle and was in one of the chutes opening the door to let the cattle out of the car. He had thrown the door aside and was in the act of shoving the bull bar (a board that is used to keep the cattle in the car when the door is open) when a steer leaped over the top of the bar on top of Morrison, throwing him to the ground and breaking his leg above the ankle.

Great Falls Leader: The storms of the past month, it is estimated by local railroad men, have already cost the Great Northern railway company \$1,000,000. This amount only includes the actual money to be paid out to gangs of men employed in clearing the track, the loss of traffic in abandoned trains and the care of passengers while snowbound. On top of all this comes the report that several suits are to be brought against the company by stockmen for stock lost while en route east during the stormy months.

At a small settlement called Jackson, near Evanston, who, a young lady named Easton fought a battle with a band of coyotes on Friday night. While preparing to retire for the night she was startled by the hideous yells of the sage brush wanderers, who were attempting to kill a young calf in the pen at the rear of the house. Miss Easton, who is but 17 years of age, seized a club and commenced a raid on the unwelcome guests. She succeeded in killing three of the animals and putting the balance of the band to flight.

Wheatland, Wyo., World: Leo Sheldon, son of Mrs. Henry Mudd, met with a painful accident Sunday, which will keep him within doors for some time. While crossing the Bibble on horseback his horse slipped on the ice and fell in such a manner as to catch Leo under its body. The boy's collar bone was thrown out of place, the bones of one ankle dislocated and he was otherwise badly bruised. Messrs. Beasley and Berry were close at hand, and brought him to town that evening, where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Clark, who reports his patient progressing nicely.

Eddie Matthews died Monday night as the result of burns received in a fire at his home in San Francisco. The child's mother is lying at death's door. The latter has been ill for some time past. A nurse has been attending her and looking out for the two children, Eddie and May. Monday morning the children awoke and the nurse dressed them. Both were then seated at the kitchen table to await their morning meal. It was still dark, and an oil lamp was lighted upon the table. The mother called to the nurse, who responded to the summons, and then the accident occurred. Eddie pulled away at the tablecloth. The lamp fell upon his clothes and he was in flames in a moment. The