News of the Great West.

Old Fort Laramic.

County Surveyor W. O. Owen has just completed the survey of the abandoned Fort Laramie military reservation, begun the latter-part of April. This survey was ordered by the government for the purpose of throwing it open to settlement. According to the Laramie Republican this will probably occur during the present year.

This reserve is in the form of a parallelogram nine miles in length, north and south, and six miles in width from east to west. It embraces fifty-four sections, or 34,560 acres of land. The tract lies one and one-half miles west of the confluence of the Laramic and Platte rivers, in the forks formed by those streams. A good part of the land shows up the finest soil Mr. Owen ever saw, he thinks, but it does not seem that it will be possible to irrigate it. He was greatly disappointed in the reservation, of which so much has been said and written, but which did not half come up to his expectations. Almost everything can be raised there, but the rainfall is not to be wholly relied upon and irrigation is next to impossible, as it is hard to take water from the Platte anywhere, while the Laramie at that point is not more than holf as large as it is at Laramie City. There are two good bridges there, which

were oull by the government, but have probably been turned over to the state and are now the property of Laramie county. One of these is an iron and steel bridge ,,500 feet long, across the Platte, that could not have cost less than \$25,000, as all the material had to be hauled in by teams. There is also an excellent wooden bridge across the Laramie. Both structures have been neglected, how-ever, and are sadly in need of attention. They have become loose and need tightening up or they will soon go to pieces, whereas, they could easily be made as good as new.

In the course of his survey Mr. Owen dis-covered traces of the presence of the old Hud-son Bay company, the first white settlers in this region, who established a settlement on the present site of Fort Laramie in 1832. He found the lines of their low nouses and of the reastworks thrown up for defense against the Indians. This was quite a thriving trading point when General John C. Fremont passed through in 1842. Fort Laramie is, in fact, the oldest fort in this country. It was first made a post by the government in 1847, and twenty years later, in 1869, the reservation was laid out.

Not a settler was found on the reservation when Mr. Owen wentthere. The government has had a man in charge of the tract whose business it was to keep squatters off, and he seems to have performed his duty well. There are lots of settlers all around, and no doubt there will be plenty ready to move as soon as the land is put on the market.

Surveying Wyoming Lands.

The last congress appropriated for the surwer of the public lands \$125,000. Of this amount it is expected that Wyoming will be apportioned about \$50,000. It will probably be another season before work can be done, as the money will not be available until after July 1 and the contracts have not been let, says the Cheyenne Sun. The surveys now being made under the direction of Surveyor General Richards are contracts provided for by an appropriation of \$20,000 made by con gress for general surveys, and a further appropriation of \$12,000 for surveying a portion of the Shoshone Indian reservation, with a view of dividing certain lands among the Indians.

Wyoming contains an area of about 97,000 square miles. Of this area about one-quarter remains unsurveyed, located about equally in portions of Uinta, Fremont and Sweet-water counties, and a small part of Johnson, Converse and Carpon counties Much of the unsurveyed land is too elevated for agricul-tural purposes and for that reason the contracts for surveys will be largely confined to such lands as are designated by the board of control, who, under the law, have the selection of certain lands donated to the state.

The land surveyed on the Shoshone reservation under the present contract will ap-proximate 500,000 acres and is confined to the best agricultural and grazing lands in that Surveyor Shannon with party of eight or ten assistants has just begun he survey of thirty townships in the northwest corner of Sweetwater county. This in cludes lands along Big Sandy and the streams tributary to the headwaters of the Green river. Besides the surveys enumerated there were several small appropriations for the survey of military reservations.

Big Hern Placers. A good many extravagant stories have

been told about the Placer diggings in the Big Horn mountains. Dr. J. M. Hargrave, a prominent Montana man, gives this account of them: The diggings are on the western slope of the Big Horn mountains, across the divide from the Tongue civer basin, near the summit and in the state of Wyoming. the trict can best be reached from Sheridan, Wyo. county seat of the county of the same name. From there the trait goes into Tongue river basin via Dalton, from which point the mines are distant thirty-five miles. Dr. Hargrave was the first man to get in this spring and found six men and one woman who had been there all winter and received from him news of the outside world for the first time in four or five months. The bedrock is granite, covered by from three to five feet of fine gravel. The gold is not coarse and is even-ly distributed. The surface prospecting as well as that on the bedrock. The dust Bells for \$19.75 per ounce. The doctor thinks diggings very limited, from fifteen to eaty claims of twenty acres each covering the best of it. About 1,000 claims have been located and when he left there were 500 or 600 men in the camp and considerable fussing over claims. Two men hadling their dirt over a mile had made \$300 in twelve days with a rocker. The best gravel probably runs from three to six cents to the pan. There is very little water but a company has been organized to bring in a ditch twenty miles long and carrying 3,000 miners' inches. This cannot be completed this season and very little can be done until it is. The new camp is 112 miles south of the Custer battle

Blind Luck in Prospecting. Captain Wadsworth was regaling a few friends with some of his first experiences in the mining districts of Idaho, says the Seattle Press-Pimes. "A man who is a fine mineralogist is not always the most successful prospector," he said. "To my own knowledge three of the greatest greenhorns on earth made the richest find I have ever seen stumbling upon to by sheer good luck. When them by sheer good luck. When I was first out with a party of prospectors in Idubo, an old Yankee came to our camp one sultry afternoon and asked: 'Say, car tell me where there would be a rood place to mine. We thought we would have some sport at the fellow's expense, and so point up the hill where a lone tree stood, said: 'Right under the shade of that tree you will Tright under the shade of that tree you win find lots of gold. Dig down about ten feet, and when you get tired rest in the shade of the tree. He went up there and set to work at a place that and set to work at a place that showed no indication of gold, and which we had pessed by. We thought we had caged a He worked two days very im ously, and then in the evening came stroiling into camp. 'Much oblige, stranger,' he said, into camp. 'Much oblige, stranger, he said, ye gave me good advice and I'll make it squar' with you. I have run across a whole basketful of these little lumps of gold.' He exhibited a dozen nuggets as big as marbles and later on, when the mine was developed, it turned out wonderfully rich. We all felt ittle weak when we had seen the extent of

Upholding Montana's Good Name, An opinion of importance concerning assignments was rendered in the district court at Helena, Mont., a few days ago by Judges unt and Buck. Boosmann Brothers of Butte, and R. H. Kleinschmidt of Heiena, organized a corporation here to deal in liquors about two years ago. Kleinschmidt sold the brothers, who were without means, a bill of goods and took their individual notes for steck. Afterwards Kleinschmidt

'inding that the business was not paying nd the corporation being largely in debt to eastern houses, an assignment was made to Kleinschmidt. The eastern merchants who and claims aggregating about \$5,000 began attachment suits and proceedings to set aside the assignment. In part the decision says: "What the purpose of Klein-schmidt was in the premises, it is need-less to discuss from an ethical standpoint, but from a legal standpoint, it was a fraud in the law of a most objectionable character. would result in discrediting the financial redit of the state abroad and would strike a the struggling merchants and dealers in Montana: for if such transactions were tolerated, none but the wealthiest mer-chants could obtain credit in the eastern states." The assignment was held to be void and that the property sought to have been assigned must be subject to the claims

A Peculiar Case.

A curious situation of affairs in Miles City, Custer county, Mont., was brought out in a petition received by Governor Toole asking a pardon for John M. Waugh, who was convicted of criminal assault in February last and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, The petition came from the grand jury which indicted Waugh and the trial iry which convicted. Waugh is an indus-rious fellow twenty-five years of age. Hileged victim, Elvira Estes, is between four een and fifteen. It appears that the girl's nother, Mary Estes, not only led an immeral ife at Miles City herself, but induced her three daughters to do the same. The grand jury in its petition for a pardon, says: In order to break up the den of iniquity nd punish the unnatural mother for nanner in which she was rearing her daughers, we deemed it necessary to indict Waugh as principal in order to reach Mary Estes as an accessory. To do a great right we found it necessary to do a little wrong. The indict-

rable time in the penitentiary. Waugh's ffense was only technical. Governor Toole will grant the pardon. It is considered one of the most flagrant cases of unjust punisment in the criminal annais, as he girl admitted on the witness stand that she had been leading an immoral life.

ment of Waugh not only resulted in his con-viction, but also in the conviction of Mar-

Estes, who is serving five years in the peni-tentiary, and public justice does not demand

that the young man should serve any consid

She Used a Rawhide.

E. Leishke had E. DeCamp arrested for assault in South Butte, Mont. Leishke is a cobbler, and DeCamp went to collect a bill of him, when they had a row. DeCamp was discharged. It happened that during the controversy DeCamp took occasion to apply an opprobrious epithet to Leishke's son. As result of that statement, DeCamp was norsewhipped in the street at South Butto by Mrs. Leishke, DeCamp was passing along Main street. Mrs. Leishke had been waiting for him. In the folds of her dress she carried a rawhide. Without warn-ing, the woman sprang at DeCamp and began to rain blows upon his head and shoulders. DeCamp raised his hands to ward of the blows, when Leishke rushed to the scene and warned DeCamp not to strike his wife. large crowd gathered around and seemed nlov the scene. DeCamp finally managed "I'll learn vou to call my boy yelled Mrs. Leishke after him "You didn't get half what you deserved," added her husband. DeCamp swore out warrant for the arrest of Leisnke and his

Disowned for a Bad Husband. The body of a young woman was found loating in the river a few miles below Spokane, Wash., a few days ago, and was identified as Mary Grundler, an heiress, who mysteriously disappeared several weeks ago. She came from Germany about a year ago and for a time lived in San Francisco; sub sequently she went to Albany, Ore., where she worked as a domestic. Spokane four months the frequently stated that he ject in coming to America was get a divorce from her husband, after object which she intended to return to Germany She was beiress to a fortune estimated a not come into possession of it as long as she re mained the wife of Grunder, who had always treated her and her children cruelly. She was last seen at the house of a midwife, and a post mortem revealed that she was in a delicate condition. Theories of murder and suicide are both advanced.

Where Sheep Run Wild. Christian Tuttle of Lummi, was the first white settler on the island, settling on Village Point in 1871. For a number of years he was alone. Settlers came after that and went. The wild sheep notion originated with a Mr. Harper. Land had passed from settler to settler with growing flocks of which were never rounded sheep, wild. harged hunters \$1 per head for slaughtering is sheep, and the result has been that every

thing with wool on its back has been consid ered wild. He himself put ninety-two ewes on the Island in 1874, but the hunters killed many of them, and he sold the last of them of last year. He was then able to round up 100. Sutliff Baxter had a ranch on the island once and stocked it with 300 head of shee they have all disappeared. He does not think there are any wild sheep left now, unless : mere handful have managed to survive on the top of the mountain.

Another Fatal Blast.

A terrible explosion occurred in the Gran te mine in Coeur d'Alene. One shift had just been relieved by another. Pat Keenan and T. Connors were assigned to work drilling in the lower tunnel. They began work ear where the other shift had left off and lear where a blast had been set. The exdosion had not fired all the powder in the ole, and in drilling a second hole the drill one against the giant powder which had seen left. A blow from the hammer of one of the drillers set it off. The hammer was the drillers set it off. The hammer was brown up and struck Keenan in the forehead, completely tearing away the upper part of his head and killing him instantly. The drill was also shot clear through Keenan's neck. Conners' hands were both

Missionary Work in Utah.

A sect known in some parts of the New England states as the "Six-Principle Baptists" has decided to send a missionary to Sait Lake City, says the Tribune. It appears from the information gathered that a Mormon missionary recently visited the town of Westminster, Conn., and that the doctrines he advanced so scandalized the staid old descendants of the Puritans in that vicin ity that they decided to try to redeem the be-nighted in Utah at once. Several meetings were held and other towns communicated the reverend gentleman to get here and begin porations was subscribed. He will doubt

Baby Murder.

The dead body of a male infant, only a few ours old, was found under the street planking in Seattle, Wash, in such a position that it would be carried out into the bay at the next tide. The infant had been murdered by a kuife being thrust through its head, the blade penetrating the skull from behind and coming out at the forenead. The body was wrapped in a newspaper, and a rock was found in another paper a few feet away. This rock was a peculiar piece of sandst with polished spots, and was probably an ornament in the house of the unnatural parent. It will be used as a clue by tectives in looking for the murderer.

His Bluff Didn't Go.

Near Cottonwood, in Tehama county, Cal. a few days ago George Smith was shot by a young fellow named Fenwick. Smith was a returned the notes and accepted one from large, strong man, thirty years old, and Fen-sulted in the serious injury of a miner named the corporation so security. The company wick a mere boy, twenty years old. Young Ed James. He was workingin one of the

thereafter purchased goods of eastern mer-chants and as cash was required Klein-schmidt endorsed the notes of the company. Fenwick says he was riding along the road in the woods with a Winchester rifle in his hands when he met Smith, who stopped him and said: "Did you say I poisoned your cat-tie!" Fenwick replied that he had said so. Then Smith reached for his revolver, and the boy raised his rifle and shot him. The went to Red Bluff and gave himself There were no witnesses and the boy's state-

A Villain Suicides.

Brigham and Willard, Ctah, are much exited over the fiendish act of Charles W. Edler, a young man who had been living at Williard with the family of J. A. Walters. He forcibly assaulted Rebecca Walters, aged only ten, inflicting on her a terrible disease Edler fled as soon as the child told of it, and his supposed remains were found in a slough near Hot Springs. The deceased went to Willard from Sait Lake, where he had met the Walters family some two years ago. He had been successfully repulsed by Elizabeth. he older daughter, but was able to carry out his purpose on the younger child.

His Love Got Him Arrested.

W. S. Nichols, deputy postmaster at Copely, Cala, was arrested charged with opening a letter addressed to Mrs. Alice Richmond of Anderson by her daughter, with whom Nichols was in love, but by whom he had been rejected. The motive is said to be his desire to know how he stood with the family. His plea was "not guilty," but a letter was introduced in vidence in which he acknowledged his guilt ommissioner Sawyer in San Francisco Nichols to appear before the circuit court with ball fixed at \$1,000.

A party of fifteen began surveying a rail-way route from Bozeman to Castle. Astoria has a young woman type-writer operator who has written 375 words in three

City Treasurer Walker of Helena and ned off \$100,000 worth of Helena 6 pe onds. They brought a premium of \$1,400. Work will soon be resumed on the Silver rown mine in Deer Lodge county. There considerable Chicago money in the prop-

M. M. Williams shot Henry Hessig at Stavensville, inflicting a painful if not dan-gerous wound. The trouble originated over he closing of a saloon.

Henry Houseman, until recently postmas-ter at Missoula, has been found guilty in the United States court of the misappropriation f government funds. A bare-knuckle fight between Martin

oynnan and Cockney Ryan for a purse of \$100 took place in South Butte. Ryan was nocked out in the fourth round. The Anaconda company is enlarging its ore ns and also the company's boarding houses, and when the works resume the company

viil employ 1,000 additional men. Sturgeon of very large size are daily being raught in the Columbia, one measuring 15 eet in length and weighing 275 pounds after eing dressed. This was shipped to Butte City.

A strike of \$100 gold rock is reported in the Montana lead, Bigfoot district, a mile west of the Gizzly. The property is owned in Butte, and has only a twenty-five foot shaft sunk on it. Phil Blessenger who lived four mile

above New Chicago, while plowing an irriga-tion ditch in his field was struck by lightning and instantly killed. His team was only stunned by the bolt. Eugineer McFarlane began the survey of

Butte & Anaconda railroad. About thirty days will be required to complete the survey. and it is said no bids for contracts will be advertised until that time. The room of Bartender Anderson of a

Butte gambling place was broken into and \$1,100 worth of jewelry and \$350 in money stolen. He roomed in a house where there are a number of other lodgers. John Colgrove has made a strike on a claim lying between Helena and Montana City. The ore body has been cut seven feet with out reaching the foot wall. Assays made

show the ore to have a value of about \$90 a ton. T. T. Slatterly, grand organizer of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, was in. Great Falls a few days ago and organized a local lodge. The new lodge starts out with a large membership and flourishing prospects. At Blackfoot City, the Denver mine, owned

by Allen, Boch & Pearle, gives evidence of a bonanza. At a depth of only seventeen feet, from a vein of three feet, quartz is taken around the quartz is amazingly rich in gold. A movement is on toot in Butte to carry on a war against Chinese restaurants. A meeting will be held soon of the proprietors of white labor restaurants. It is understood that the Miners' union has shown much inerest in the movement and will help it along. Great preparations are being made at Butte to celebrate Miners' union day, June 13. It is always a holiday at Butte more thoroughly participated in than any other. This year the union proposes to outdo all previous efforts and to make the event a remorable day.

The company owning the Galena mine at Pony contemplate the erection of additional machinery to work the output of the prop-erty. The development upon the Galena shows about 15,000 tons of ore in sight, 2,000 tons of it already on the ump, average as-says of which show a value of \$38 to \$40 per

J. H. Miller, bookkeeper for E. L. Bonner at Deer Lodge, committed suicide. He was found in his room with his neck broken. He got on a step ladder and with a small cord around his neck had fastened it to a hook in the ceiling. In jumping he broke his neck, but the cord broke, letting him fall to the The Boston & Montana company is making

preparations to put up about two hundred ises on their addition at Great Falls. Seeral contractors are figuring on the work. which will be commenced as soon as the Butte & Moutana sawmill now in proconstruction, can be finished and work begun

News from the mines of the Northern Pacific, Montana and Idaho Placer mining company in Missoula county is to the effect that more gold has been taken out at ground sluicing this spring than during all lasmer. Some nuggets weigh \$6.50. Additional stuices are to be put in soon and work pushed ahead.

S. R. Miller of Hurtley has nearly com-pleted an irrigation ditch two miles long, taking water out of the Yellowstone with a wing dam seven miles below Billings. The ditch when completed will cost \$1,000, the first half mile costing \$2,000 on account of constructing the dam and driving

Work has begun on Phillipsburg's new waterworks. James K. Pardee and others purchased all the water rights in Stuart's gulch, and propose to put in a new water plant that will cost \$30,000. The plant will be large enough to supply a town of 20,000 inhabitants, covering all the additions and giving a 150-foot pressure on the principal

A. J. Urlin of Missoula, was awarded dam ages of \$7,750 in the circuit court in his suit against the Northern Pacific for injuries received in a railway accident at Gold Crock, Deer Lodge county, in 1888. In the smasnup he had three ribs broken. The Riley & Woods specialty company was on the train at that time, and suits by members are now Reports from the Scratch Gravel district.

six miles north of Helena are to the effect that as old timer named Griffith has made a deal of work in the locality. He is said to have uncovered a vein over fifty feet wide, the rock bearing gold and silver. He has one foot of ore on the foot wall and two on the banging wall. Application has been made by Bozeman

citizens to Governor Toole for 160 acres of ground on Fort Ellis for a zoological garden. They propose to form a corporation, feace the ground and have on exhibition by July 4 the forty head of elk and deer owned by Dodge & Marshal. Other salmals will be added as fast as possible until the park is well supplied with wild animals.

A cave in in the Vulcan mine at Butte re-

slopes and dislodged a mass of rock weighing nearly a ton which fell upon him. He was removed by his comrades and taken to his home where a physician attended him. lower extremities were paralyzed by shock, but it is thought he will recover.

It is reported from Boulder that Quackenbush, the man shot through the head a couple of times at Wickes a month ago by a man named Grant, entirely recovered from his injuries, and has skipped out for Idaho or some other country. It is thought he and Grant were both implicated in the safe-break-ing at Wickes a short time before, and that the shooting grew out of a division of the

Another accident occured in the hoist of the Granite Mountain at Granite. The descending cage struck the ascending one, on which were eight men, but by quick percep-tion and advoit action all were stopped with out serious injury, save a little shaking up. In dropping the cage the engineer let it fall too fast, causing the cable to become slack, and it struck the rising cage. It was a narrow and fortunate escape.

The Dillon city council passed an ordinance granting J. P. Lawrence and others of Helena a franchise to furilish the city with waterworks. To the safid parties about three weeks ago was granted an electric light franchise. Both franchises exist twenty years. The city rents twenty hydrants at \$100 a a year. Each work will commence within sixty days, and the waterworks must be in running order by January 1, 1829. running order by January 1, 1892.

Patrick A. Largey bogan a suit in the district court of Butte against the Bine Bisd mining company for \$1.880,000. Largey's complaint sets forth that he is owner of one-half of the Little Darling quartz lode and one-fourth of the Lena K. quartz lode. The defendant it is alleged never had any right, title or interest in the premises, or part thereof prior to March 8, 1891. ther the complaint says: "That while

Assaver Wheeler, in charge of the govern ment assay office at Helena, in his report announced the product of gold and silver in Montana for 1800 as follows: Gold, \$3,022,-577.32; silver, \$20,337,317; total of \$23,359,-574.32. The amount of value of copper mined is stated to be 112,925,000 pounds of the value of \$16,650,437.50; lead, 15,165,000 pounds, value \$670,392. The total value of gold, silver, copper and lead was \$40,695,-

struction of a railroad to Castle. It is repre-sented that a New York syndicate could build a road within ninety days and would if the owner of undeveloped mines will make concessions in the way of cash subscriptions or interests in prospects. A committee was appointed to solicit the co-operation of the miners and are meeting with success in obtaining donations in stock and interests in

A new movement is on foot for the cor

Cowell & Simons, gamblers of Missoula, are about \$2,000 short in cash, and John M Schapp is missing. One morning last week when the night dealers went off shift, the noney was taken from the fare tables and deposited in sacks in the came on, the sacks were found to con-tain rocks and sand. Schapp is a partner of Simons in the bar and the Mascot theater,

which are run in connection with the Ex-change gambling house. The committee selected to locate the Conregational college met at Livingston but was unable to agree on a suitable place Helena and Great Falls were allowed to raise bids and Helena offered \$25,500 and Great Falls \$22,500. Livingston did not in-crease her bid. The committee adjourned to meet in Helena September 10. Twenty-nine ballots were taken. From the first Great Falls was in the lead with Livingston a close

llower. The Great Falls delegates were

active, and all known influences were brought into operation. Toward the last, Helena lost favor. There will be no encampment of the Mon tana national guards this season. The fault lies with the legislature in failing to make the necessary appropriation, and some are disposed to give the governor a part of the plaine for refusing to order an encampment anyway, trusting to a future legislature to see that expenses are paid. It is better to do without any encampment rather than go in debt for it. He therefore sets the executive brogan squarely down on the whole propo sition, and 650 amateur soldiers mourn on account of it. The last eucampment beld was at Bozeman in 1889. It cost about \$20,-

the plaintiff was the owner and in possession of the property, the defendant, without the consent of plaintiff, or any of his 'co-tenant and without any right to do so, and with force and arms did secretly and fraudulently on or about October 1, 1887, and on differen imes up to March 8, 1891, break and ente upon the property, through underground vorkings, made by defendant, and mined ties of valuable ores and mineral therefrom and more particularly from the Little Darl ing lode the value of the, ores and mineral extracted and carried away from the Little Darling claim by the defendants is estimated at \$2,500,000.

The great scheme of a Colorado company to dredge the Missouri for gold at Three Forks is now successfully under way. The boat was launched recently. Her weight as she went into the water was a little over 200 The other boat which camalgamators is now in docks and about ready to be launched. The small coal tender boat has been built and the small passenger boat is also completed. The dimensions the dredge are 33 feet long by 32 feet wid The amalgamator boat is 31 by 18 feet. allowed that four tons of coal will be used day and the coal boat is built to carry four tons with ease. The ma-chinery on the dredge is very heavy, weighing 111 tons. It was designed to have the large boats finished carlier, but there was a delay in getting large timbers which had o be brought from Missocia county, some be ng 40 foot long and 18 inches square 50,000 feet of lumber has been used in constructing these boats.

Boise City is indulging in a controversy over a change from solar to standard time. The Idaho militia gets \$2,764 from the Inited States in arms, ammunition, etc., this

A windstorm at Fayette blew down some buildings. The damage amounts to The steamer Blue Bell, while lying at he

oorings at Post Falls, was totally destroyed Several mountain peaks in Idaho have ettled from sixteen to twenty-three feet within a few years.

Official figures state that since 1866 \$16,000, 000 in placer gold has been extracted from the diggings in the Lehmi valley.

The two-year-old daughter of Thomas W. Foy of Post Falls was poisoned by chewing phesphorus matches. Her recovery is Blanche Mabbett, aged nine, has this year set out over five thousand shade trees

and cuttings with her own bands on her father's farm near Shoshone. The sale of the Atlanta mining property at Rocky Bar has no doubt been consummated The proper transfer has been made and duly recorded. The consideration was \$3,700,000 Some one entered a room in the Commercial total at Nampa one night and relieved the innates of two gold watches worth \$150 apie ad about \$80 in money. There is no clue to

Weiser is rapidly coming to the front as a milling and grain snipping point. The mill company will soon erect a two-story granary for storing the surplus grain. Later in the eason they will construct an elevator for use

the robbers.

The allot ment of land in severalty to the Nez Perce Indians is progressing and in a few months several hundred thousand acros of good land, now forming a part of the reservation, will be available for occupation ny white acttlers. It is reported that Mose Kempner has

given a working bond on his mine in Eldorado district, for \$50,000, and that \$5,000 is to be paid on July 1. The mine was recently examined by Begbie the quartz expert, wh is in the employ of capitalists to whom the mine is bonded. A young child of Samuel Biroth of Bru near was frightfully scalded. Its mother had emptied a boiler of hot water into a tub

on the floor, and stepped to the door for a pail of cold water, when the child fell into the boiling water. One arm and side was literally cooked and fears are entertained as to its recevery. Harry Donovan reports that he is sure of

Should the assays be satisfactory, a sale is

Hailey Times: There are grasshopper eggs and more grasshoppers on Camas prairie than ever before. On Seth Heath's ranch the eggs lay in beds to a depth of three inches. On other ranches the eggs are not so thick, but there are plenty of grasshoppers. The ranchers do not expect the destruction of crops to be as great as in previous years, and while some of them have not put in any grain, the majority have from ten to twenty acres, some of them more. Hon, Ira Waring, for instance, has 250 acres in.

Fifteen miles northwest of Leesburgh at the mouth of Big Creek, are located the properties of the Tabor Investment company of Denver, purchased last January of David Lamont and others of Dillon, Mont. About forty men are employed in the mines. The bject of the new management is to find bed rock in the main creek and thoroughly pros-pect the ground before purchasing more ma-They also have an extensive bar hinery. area on both sides of the creek, where a crew of men are drifting and taking out coarse gold-small flat nuggets.

Late last fall the Trapper mine in Boulder gulen Wood river country, was purchase by A. E. Hyde, Judge Miner and others of Salt Lake. During the winter a force of men was kept developing and taking out some ore. They have on the dump 100 tons or more of ore that runs \$300 per ton in sil ver and gold. The mine is located so high up as to have been under snow nearly even since they purchased it, but the snow is now so nearly gone that they will begin shipping this ore at once, and during this season hope

Over the mountain back of Salmon City rom Moose creek the road passes a peculiar deposit of free gold quartz, located on the di-vide. The Shoo Fly is the euphonious title attached to the mine, which consists of a mass of float boulder of all sizes. These five stamp mill built for this purpose on the creek. The formation is of red stained quartz, of a granular texture, perfectly free milling, and averaged \$50 per ton. The ground is quite flat and damp around the mine. Very little development work has been done beneath the surface.

During the past year opal mining in som parts of Idaho has developed to a wonderful extent. The first opals were found about two years ago near Moscow, and were proounced by different authorities on preciou stones to exceed in brilliancy and hardnes the opals found in Mexico, and to be nearly as valuable as oriental gems. Several fin stones are being taken out every day. E. C. Hall's men found seven or eight which weighed 70 karats, valued at \$10 a karat. Two of them, though, are of much better quality than the others, being the genuine fire opal. The ones of best quality are usually small, though their values often go

Near Paris and not far from Bear Lake there is a very large lode of copper ore carry ing some gold, upon which considerable work has been done. The location, quality of ore permitting concentrating several tons into one, and the extent of the vein are such favorable considerations as to make the prop erty a valuable one. This property belong to some citizens of Paris who are not practi-cal miners but who have done quite an amount of work on it. The hills there nave been only partially prospected, and those fa-miliar with the country believe there is much in the range to pay for much closer examina-tion than has been given the country. It can be reached by railway from Montpelier.

A big row occurred recently in the town of Helena in the Seven Devils mining district over town lots, which came very nearly end-ing in a tragedy. By some error of agents selling lots in the town site, one lot had been sold to two men separately, who each claimed it. The promoter of the town site was called account, and owing to the warmth of the discussion determined to adjourn the meeting until some cooler occasion. This did not suit the claimants and quite a mob pursued the ownsite man toward Baker City river, where they arrived an hour behind the fugitive. Much talk is indulged in over the affair, in which homp. Winchesters, guns, etc., are slung in by way of seasoning with a lib

Wyom ng. Rawlins will organize a militia company. The postoffice of Egbert was broken into

and robbed. Gold Hill and adjacent mining districts will soon be surveyed. Merino is being deserted and the buildi

will be moved to Belle Fourche for saloon It is reported that the Mineral Point mines near Evanston, will be developed speedily by eastern cap!'al.

Enough money has been raised to insure good racing at a three days' horse meeting to be held in Laramie 'uly 2 to 4. The new machinery in the Rawlins sandstone quarries has been started up. The

outlook is good for a big output. Two companies of soldiers from Fort Cu-Yellowstone National park where they will be stationed this sum

Two spans of the Chevenne viaduct hav een raised over the main tracks of the Unio Pacific and the work will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible. Uinta county cattlemen will buy this year

a great many cattle for restocking the ranges The Bar outfit Sweetwater county already contracted for 3,000 head-stock cat Nine engines were thoroughly overhauled and turned out as good as new from the Cheyenne shops last month. The machinery is working very smoothly and it is expected

that the entire plant will seen be In Saratoga people have organized a board of trade and there is talk of incorporating the town. Strangers are arriving daily to en-gage in business or outfit for prospecting in the Gold Hill district. Many new buildings

While out attending to the town herd of Evanston, Oscar Ruddles, thirteen years old, attempted to cross Yellow creek on borse back. The animal sank into the quicksand and drowned before it could be extricated.

The boy escaped uninjured. The Platte is very high and it is dangerous to try to ford or swim it in the upper valley. The only bridge is at Saratoga and twenty niles south of there at the mouth of the Grand Encampment it is reported that an emigrant outfit with horses and cattle was

drowned last week. Good returns were made on a recent ship ment of ore from the Chatterton mine on the Grand encampment in the Gold Hill district. Work will begin at once on other claims in the vicinity of this mine, in which a big vein was cut 280 feet below the surface in run-

Under the direction of Prof. McLaren the lirectors of the experimental farm at Laramic have planted six acres of careals, two acres being in wheat and the balance in barley, oats and rye. An acre of sugar beets will be planted and ten acres seeded to grass, the latter to be grown without irrigation

oing a tunnel 700 feet.

Denver News: The atmosphere of Wyoming is full of stories of rich discoveries of mineral in the Gold Hill country, and the excitement in regard thereto is growing rather than abating in all of the towns along the Union Pacific line in that state. Many parties are leaving for the new "diggings."

Since No. 7 mine at Aimy closed down some of the men thrown out of work have not been able to furnish their families are some who are actually starving. A dele gation of miners visited Evanston to solicit aid last week and met with good success. Sheridan organized a building and loan

association with a capital of \$1,000,000 livide into 10,000 shares at \$200 per share There are nine trustees who will manage th ffairs of the association. A novel feature in the by-laws and constitution is a provision that a stockholder shall have but one vote, no atter how many shares he owns. A report comes from Meetcese that one ay last week the bodies of fourteen eik

oated down the Gray Bull river, hought the animals were drowned in great whirlpool near the head of this riverhe same locality in which as entire family of immigrants were drowned soveral years go. The Grav Buil is rising rapidly, as are il the streams of the Big Horn section. Several weeks ago Tus Ben exclusively ansourced a rich mineral strike at Battle Lake, on the Pacific slope of the Sierra Madres, in Carbon county. The Rawlins Journal now reports that people are flocking to the new

Dixon is aimost deserted, the inhabitants hav-ing gone to Battle Lake. Other sections of the Snake river country are pretty nearly as

id in great numbers. The town of East

Black Hills, probably) Instead of at Orrin Junction, the terminus of the Cheyenne & Northern. This would draw business out of The natural terminus of the Union Pacific's north and south system is at The natural point of shipment is the Orrin

It took Howard Wyndham a week to drive bunch of 200 cattle from Fort Collins, Colo. where the wintered to his ranch on the upper Big Laramie river. A great deal of poisonweed was encountered along the road and as the cattle could not be prevented from eating it the result was rather disasous. Thirty head had to be left at various the road and it is expected at least weive of them will die.

Surveyor West has been locating an ex-tensive ditch for Simon J. Evans of Tongue river, says the Sheridan Enterprise. The water will be conveyed through a tunnel 60 feet long through a hill, the hignest point of which is ninety feet above water at head of ditch. One hundred feet of the tunnel. which is through sand rock, has already been completed. About one thousand acros of land will be under the ditch, and Mr. Evans thinks he will have it finished in two years C. E. Bassett of the geological survey is in charge of the government survey, which will work this summer in the northern part o the state in connection with the work dom-by State Engineer Mead. The streams will gauged and data gathered in regard to be gauged and data gathered in regard to irrigation. The government party will cover nearly the same ground as the party sent out by the state, but its report will be in a differ-ent line. The reports of the two parties will be exchanged and compared, as both work

with the same end in view. There are twenty-five coke ovens at New castle but they are idle. The Journal an sunces that State Senator Mondell has gone Pennsylvania to get machinery for clean ng the coal. This is the explanation offered for the failure to make coke. Since they are mining this coal by machinery and the use of explosives it is difficult to separate the and the company find it will be cheaper and better to run the coal through a washing machine that will let the rocky substances drop to the bottom and separate them from

Washington. Tacoma is to have a \$190,000 park.

The men employed in the Cedar river coal mpacy's mine at Colfax have gone on a

There was a heavy run on the First National bank at Spokane owing to the circulation of malicious reports. W. T. Rountree, an amateur aeronaut, was

killed at Spokane. The balloon struck a post and knocked Rountree out. A hunter named Hong of Sumas brought down a bear recently that was perched in a tree 170 feet above the ground.

The city council of Stellacoom, having raised the license fee from \$100 to \$500, all the saloons in that place have closed their doors. J. R. Savage, United States engineer, has een engaged in making a survey for the proposed ship canal through the Swinomisl The Indians at Warm Springs agency have

ordered a monument, to cost \$75, to be placed over the remains of their dead chief, William J. Proctor, a laborer, was killed at Tacoma

while attempting to steal a ride on a North-ern Pacific train. He fell, and his head struck the ties, killing him instantly. A Russian exile. Maurice Lopatecki, a res-

ident of Tacoma, received a letter from his sister, Duches Fedorwitz of St. Petersburg, stating that he is heir to \$10,000,000 by the death of her husband the Duk Federwitz. P. H. Trudell of South Bend, while un packing a bunch of banannas came across a large scorpion that had secreted itself and had been transported from the spider was promptly killed by Mr. Trudell. The Great Northern is building west from Fort Assinabolne at Kootenai station, and it is estimated that there are over 1,300 men now at work there, while another force is

working from Seattle in an easterly direction A laborer was overcome by gas and fell into an old well at Centralia. Three others went to his assistance and were also overcome. All are dead except one named Ford. The names of the dead are Burns, Perry and An alleged special agent of the general

land office has been operating through east-ern Washington for the past month with remarkable success. He goes by the name of Pemberton, and has been blackmailing settlers. At Seattle, Daniel Welch, an engineer,

started out horseback riding. The horse pranced backward on to a sidewalk lower than the street bed, and falling over, crushed his rider almost to a jelly. The man died in about ten minutes. From the evidence so far obtained in the Walla Walla lynching inquiry it seems the officers of the post were as much surprised at the action of the men as were the citizens, although the former had received notifica-

ion that the man Hunt would be lynched. The question of how to irrigate the arid ands of Kittitas county, Washington, which now produce only bunchgrass and sagebrush but which, when watered, will produce a great variety of crops in abundance, is being iscussed with much interest in that section Two variety performers named Leonard and Gilmore quarreled over a woman and a reed to fight a duel to settle it. They re ed to their room and began slashing each ther with knives. Leonard soon fe'll with ight terrible gashes in his body and soon

The Indians in the Okanogan country are a state of consternation, owing to the pre valence of is grippe among them. One han-dred or more have died. The Indians are moving out rapidly for Idaho and other ints, carrying all their possessions with

One mill at Wooley, recently took orders for 5,000,000 shingles to come east, 3,000,000 for Allegheny City, Pa., and 2,000,000 to Cleveland, O. Some of the Washington red edars run up to nine feet in diameter at the outt, and a log like this cuts a sight of stringles. Almira Democrat: Recently a man b

a lot in Couleel City for \$160. Within half an hour he killed seven rattlesnakes on it. Rattlesnake oil sells for \$4.40 a quart, and an ordinary rattler will fry out a half plat. Now all he wants is 139 more snakes. Then he can quit even. Eda Davis, a little girl 10 years of age, be

came frightened at the approach of a special train and losing her balance, fell over a precipitous cliff, about midway between Black Diamond and Franklin, and after rolling down about 150 feet was rescued with ut slight injuries. The Canadian Pacific railroad has either leased or purchased outright the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia railroad, extending

between Sumas, on the boundary line, and New Whatcom. The Canadian Pacific steamship Premier will make dally trips between oma and Whatcom. The city council of Palouse is pretty hard on boys under eighteen years of age. It prohibits them from being on the streets after 8 o'clock at night; also an ordinance making it an offense to ride bicycles on the sidewalks and punishable by a fine of \$25,

The main track of the Northern Pacific railroad at Eagle gorge in the Cascade mountains, fifty miles east of Tacoma, is blockaded by one of the largest falls of earth known in that section. Frequent landslides have caused the company to plow down a part of the mountain, and it took two days to

Thomas Brown, a traveling salesman of Scattle, whose wife died recently, becoming despondent on account of business reverses and sorrow at her death, went to his wife's grave and fired four snots at his own head. Two bullets penetrated the skull, but neither nade a necessarily fatal wound and he has a chance of recovery.

Walter Turner, a young Quinault Lake set-tler, shot and killed Cliften Kinkle, his bosom tler, shot and killed Ciffen Kinkle, his bosom friend, mistaking him for a wild beast. Kinkle awoke in the middle of the right, and having occasion to go outside the cabin, did so very quietly, so as not to awaken his friend. The cracking of twigs outside the cabin awoke Turner. They had shot a bear the day before, and Turner, thinking it was another wild animal prowling about the cabin, raised his rifle and taging nim at the Aski raised his rifle and taking aim at the dark form which he could see through the cracks in the cabin, fired. Kinkle's dying yell was the first intimation Turner had of his friend's absence from the bed, so excited had he been. Both men were "tenderfeet," Kin-kle being recently from Elizabeth, N. J., and Turner from Misucapolis.

ogether in the strike, and the chances are hat the strikers will be defeated. The Union Pacific frestle near the Dalles, 25 feet long, was rebuilt in twenty four

hours after being burned Owing to overproduction and high freight rates forty-eight shingle mills between Portand and British Columbia have been shut own, throwing 500 men out of employment. John Flaunigan committed suicide at his home in Strawberry guich in Jefferson county. He was sixty years old, and had ug his own grave and had a coffin ready for

A. D. Pytcher, an Oregon brakeman, while u top of a moving freight train, was caught y a telephone wire and thrown to the round. He fortunately escaped death with

nly a dislocated hip and some bruises. The sixth annual meeting of the Oregon state sunday school association, has been in session at Eugene. Reports from county associations show 40,600 children in the Sunday schools of the state, and the finances f the association are most satisfactory.

People of Salem raised a subsidy for a big woolen mill, it being agreed that 200,000 pounds of wool a year should be manufactured into cloth. The mill used more than this last year, and is now on the market for 400,000 pounds for the second's year's run. A human head supposed to be that of Robert Cannon, who was drowned in the Columbia river, was found on the bank of the Entiat a few days ago almost entirely

of the stream and is supposed to have been deposited there by a coyote. A wild man, barefooted and bareheaded, was recently seen picking up scraps of bread around the Big Butte school house in south-ern Oregon. The teacher and some of the scholars went to the door and he ran into the brush. A party of men collected and searched for him, but he could not be found.

stripped of flesh. It was high on the bank

An east-bound freight train on the Union Pacific was wrecked and six cars burned at the bridge near Vicuto, a few miles west of Heod river. The trestle was on fire, a curve hiding the blaze. The engineer put on steam when he saw he could not check the engire's speed with safety. The engine and an empty car went over in safety, but six cars loaded with stone went down with the trestle.

A young son of George Simons, who lives three miles north of Brents, was bitten by a rattlesnake. In company with an older brother he was walking along the canyon just below his home, when, without warning, the snake struck him. They immediately disposed of his snakeship and started for home on a dead run-about a mile distant.

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