

FOUND DEAD IN HIS ROOM.

J. W. Fred Dies From Inhaling Illuminating Gas.

Evidence Tends to Suicide, Though No Motive for the Deed is Known.

A Lone Masked Robber Forces the Occupants of a Store at Keswick, Shasta County, to the Rear of the Building, and Loots the Safe of Two Thousand Dollars.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—J. W. Fred, aged 21 years, of Woodland, was found dead in his room at the New Western Hotel this morning, under circumstances which tend to the belief that he committed suicide by asphyxiation with illuminating gas.

When the trunk of the deceased was opened at the morgue and letters were found in a young lady named Ruth Stevely at Woodland, Yolo county, and from a brother at Mexico, Mo., were found, but as the latter contained no surname, the identity of the suicide has not yet been definitely established.

WORKED IN SUTTER COUNTY. WOODLAND, Dec. 9.—J. W. Fred, who was asphyxiated at the New Western Hotel in San Francisco, had been working for a year past for E. J. Tharp of Sutter county. He was a native of Missouri, 21 years old, and came to California a year ago.

Accident to a Hunter. IRVINGTON, Dec. 9.—John Blacow had his left arm shot off by the accidental discharge of a gun while he was hunting on the San Joaquin River. The limb was amputated just above the elbow, and a telegram received to-night announces that he is doing well, but is not yet out of danger.

TOOK STRYCHNINE. An Oaklander, Becoming Despondent, Suicides. OAKLAND, Dec. 9.—From the effects of a heavy dose of strychnine, taken with suicidal intent late Tuesday night, aged George B. Sanford died at his home, 1330 Santa Clara avenue, early this morning.

BOLD ROBBERY. A Masked Man Holds Up the Occupants of a Store. REDDING, Dec. 9.—McCormick, Sealtzer & Co.'s branch store at Keswick was entered by a masked robber about 9 o'clock to-night.

DURRANT CASE. Will Come Up Before Judge Bahrs Again To-Day. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—District Attorney Barnes will to-morrow appear before Judge Bahrs and give notice to set a date on which Theodore Durrant shall be brought from San Quentin to have the date of his execution on a charge of murder fixed.

that being shown and the affidavits being filed, the court will proceed to fix the date of the carrying out of the death penalty. While it has not been definitely determined, it is likely that arrangements will be made setting the day of execution for the last Friday of this month or the first Friday of the year of 1898.

SPAIN PREPARED TO DEFEND HER HONOR.

Will Permit of No Intervention in Cuban Affairs.

Any Such Attempt by the United States Would be Resisted.

Home Rule for Cuba, Sovereignty to Spain and Reciprocity With the United States the Programme as Defined by the Autonomists to Insure Tranquility and Prosperity in the Island.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—At a Cabinet council to-day, the Queen Regent presiding, Premier Sagasta outlined the opinion of the European press regarding President McKinley's message, the majority of which were favorable to Spain.

Electricity for Yuba County. YUBA CITY, Dec. 9.—The Board of Supervisors of this county yesterday granted to John Martin a franchise to erect poles and wires throughout this county by which to conduct electricity for lighting and power purposes.

Death of a Humboldt Pioneer. EUREKA, Dec. 9.—John P. Warren, a pioneer of this county, 64 years old, died suddenly to-day of heart disease at his home at Warren creek. The deceased had gone into a field near his home, and not returning when expected, his wife searched for him, and was horrified to find him lying dead on the ground.

Dropped Dead. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—Frank R. Nicholson was this morning convicted of contempt in Superior Judge Smith's court, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 or spend 250 days in jail.

CENTRAL AMERICAN MISSIONS. TWO REPUBLICS MAY GO WITHOUT MINISTERS. Nicaragua Refuses to Receive Captain Merry and Honduras Against Dr. Hunter.

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WHEAT GOES UP WITH A RUSH.

Reaches the Highest Point at Chicago Since 1891.

Sales Made as High as \$1 09 Per Bushel for December Delivery.

Lively Bidding and Great Excitement in the Pit—Other Grain and Provision Markets More or Less Influenced by the Rapid Advance in Wheat.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Not since August, 1891, has any month's delivery of wheat sold as high as December did to-day. It rose from 10 1/2¢ at the opening to 109, but in most irregular fashion.

December closed yesterday at \$1 00 1/2, but the opening ranged all the way from \$1 01 1/2 to \$1 04, and at the top there was scarcely a bushel to be had.

WARM FIGHT OVER HANDLING OF MILEAGE TICKETS. Demoralization in Through Rates to Alaska Likely—New Tourist Sleeping-Car Service.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—At the meeting of the Mileage Ticket Bureau of the Central Passenger Association, which was held to-day, a large sized fight developed over the handling of the interchangeable mileage tickets.

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MEASURES TO COME BEFORE CONGRESS.

House Leaders Said to Have Come to an Understanding.

As to the Course Which They Will Pursue in the Near Future.

Appropriation Bills Will be Disposed of as Fast as They Are Ready—The Bankruptcy Bill Will be Reported Before the Holiday Recess, and When Congress Reconvenes Will be Accorded Advantage in the Way of Securing Early Time for Debate.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MOTHER.

She is Still Languishing at the Point of Death.

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COAST AND EASTERN RACES.

A GOOD DAY FOR MUD LARKS AT INGLESIDE.

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SANTA FE ROAD.

The Old Board of Directors Re-elected at the Annual Meeting.

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