

Mark Twain Has Found a Sad Christmas

REDDING, Conn., Dec. 24.—Mark Twain's invalid daughter, Jean, met death tragically this morning when at the bath, bringing poignant grief at Christmas time to "Stormfield," the country home of the great American humorist.

Exploding Boiler Carries Death to Workers

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Hundred Million to Be Spent by Steel

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Her death leaves Mr. Clemens without kin in this country to share his sorrow, for his surviving daughter, Clara recently was married to Ossip Gabrielowitsch, a Russian pianist, and is on her way to Europe.

The explosion occurred during the noon hour when most of the employees of the shop were at lunch.

From sources other than President Buffington it is stated that the Illinois Steel company is to erect eight new blast furnaces at South Chicago and that the Iroquois Steel company has planned to erect at least one new blast furnace.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed Nov. 18, 1909, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

Notice is hereby given that George L. Parker, of Custer, Montana, who, on July 18, 1906, made Homestead Entry No. 122, Serial No. 01364, for S 1/2 SW 1/4, Lot 4, Section 9; SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 8, Township 4 N., Range 33 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 13th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Frank L. Taylor, of Waco, Montana, who, on October 6, 1906, made Homestead Entry No. 273, Serial No. 0535, for Lot 6, SE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 26, S 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 25, Township 4 N., Range 32 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 13th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that William H. Hiber, of Laurel, Montana, who, on July 18, 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 065, for NE 1/4, Section 18, Township 2 N., Range 22 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 5th day of January, 1910.

On retiring she asked her maid to call her early, and when she arose this morning she went to the bathroom, where her lifeless body was found later. Her failure to respond to the maid's knocking on the door revealed her death.

The firemen most seriously injured were taken to the company hospital at McAlester. The roll of employees has not been checked up by the superintendent and close surveillance of the shops is being maintained by Rock Island officials.

Notice is hereby given that Claude N. McCracken, of Billings, Montana, who, on November 15, 1905, made Desert Land Entry No. 1850, Bozeman Series, Serial No. 01152, for Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 6, Township 1 S., Range 25 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 27th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Sam Holland, of Custer, Montana, who, on July 16, 1906, made Homestead Entry No. 5, Serial No. 0801, for S 1/2 SE 1/4, Lots 6 and 8, Section 34, Township 5 N., Range 33 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 19th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that John H. Matheson, of Custer, Montana, who, on April 5, 1907, made Homestead Entry No. 339, Serial No. 01413, for Lot 13, Section 3, Township 4 N., Range 34 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 11th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that John T. Murphy, assignee of Daniel C. Murphy, whose postoffice address is Helena, Mont., has this 20th day of November, 1909, filed in this office his application to select under the provisions of Section 2306, R. S., the NE 1/4 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 10, Township 5 N., Range 20 E., M. P., containing 80 acres. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal of applicant, should file their affidavit of protest in this office on or before the 10th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Otis Pugh, of Custer, Montana, who, on July 16, 1906, made Homestead Entry No. 9, Serial No. 01036, for lots 2, 3, 6 and 7, Section 2, Township 4 N., Range 33 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 4th day of January, 1910.

Miss Clemens had evidenced physical weariness of late, probably induced by the excitement incident to her sister's departure for Europe, and the recent return of her father from Bermuda. But yesterday afternoon she rode her favorite horse to the postoffice to get the early Christmas mail, and last night she cheerily prepared a Christmas tree from which she had planned to distribute gifts tomorrow morning.

The firemen most seriously injured were taken to the company hospital at McAlester. The roll of employees has not been checked up by the superintendent and close surveillance of the shops is being maintained by Rock Island officials.

Notice is hereby given that Perry Bailey, Robert Worthington, Henry E. Martin and Wright Harvey, all of Musselshell, Montana. Coal land.

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Notice is hereby given that Ellen M. Woolsey, of Custer, Montana, who, on October 28, 1907, made Homestead Entry No. 634, Serial No. 01501, for SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 1, Township 4 N., Range 33 E., lot 14, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, SW 1/4 SE 1/4, Section 6, Township 4 N., Range 34 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 6th day of January, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Julius Kropp, of Broadview, Montana, who, on May 8, 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 425, Serial 01820, for N 1/2 SE 1/4; S 1/2 NE 1/4, Section 20, Township 3 N., Range 22 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. D. Goodnow, United States Commissioner, in his office, at Broadview, Montana, on the 29th day of December, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Gertrude M. Olson, of Comanche, Montana, who on June 5, 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 463 Serial No. 01856, for NW 1/4, Section 14, Township 3 N., Range 24 E. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before C. D. Goodnow, United States Commissioner, in his office, at Broadview, Montana on the 1st day of February, 1910.

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Notice is hereby given that Edmund Bogardus Kingman, of Broadview, Montana, who, on June 8, 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 471, Serial No. 01863, for NE 1/4 Section 30, Township 4 N., Range 22 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. D. Goodnow, United States Commissioner, in his office, at Broadview, Montana, on the 30th day of December, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Edward T. Shipley, John Hennessy, Al C. Sipe and John J. Barrett, all of Broadview, Montana. Non-coal land.

Notice is hereby given that Virginia F. George, of Billings, Montana, who, on March 7, 1905, made Desert Land Entry No. 1782, Bozeman Series, No. 0484, for Lots 3 and 4, E 1/2 SW 1/4, and SE 1/4, Section 30, Township 1 N., Range 25 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 25th day of January, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that John W. Wilson, of Custer, Montana, who, on September 15, 1906, made Homestead Entry No. 243, Serial No. 0825, for N 1/2 NE 1/4, N 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 32, Township 5 N., Range 34 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver United States Land Office, at Billings, Montana, on the 11th day of January, 1910.

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Notice is hereby given that William A. Johnson, of Broadview, Montana, who, on June 18, 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 513, Serial No. 01993, for SW 1/4 Section 12, Township 4 N., Range 24 E., M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. D. Goodnow, United States Commissioner, in his office, at Broadview, Montana, on the 18th day of January, 1910.

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Photographs

Day or night, rain or shine. Witham's Photo Gallery, 2909 Montana avenue, opposite Freight Depot.

Forty Thousand Acre Tract Sold

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24.—The Pacific Land and Water company, comprised of Salt Lake and Logan capitalists, has completed a deal by which it acquires the Emery tract in southern Idaho and northern Utah, comprising in all 40,000 acres.

Keepsakes Dearer Than Life to Her

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WESTON'S NEXT TRAMP

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