

Johnson, Charlie

Daily Mercury

1-6-1885

Charlie Johnson, who was badly hurt at Big Bend last spring by a log rolling on him, died at Thompson's Flat yesterday afternoon. He suffered much agony during the past six months and death with him was only a question of short time. He made a request to see Dr. Serviss just before he died, and the doctor was sent for, but before reaching the unfortunate man's bedside, death had relieved him of his suffering. He will be buried on Wednesday at 1.30 o'clock.

SIMMONS (BOWDEN), Permelia
Oroville Register
1-15-1885

DIED.

In Gridley, Jan. 17th, 1885, Mrs. E. M. Blakeley, aged 73 years-

In Gridley, Jan. 7th, 1884. infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Porter.

Near Yuba City, Jan. 10th, 1885, Permelia Simmons, aged 29 years.

The deceased was the daughter of Mr. J. F. Bowden of Chico, from whose residence the funeral took place on Monday last.

At the ranch of S. Moak on Little Chico Creek, on January 10th, 1884, H. A. Vannatta.

SIMMONS (BOWDEN), Mrs. Permelia
Chico Enterprise
1-16-1885



—The remains of Mrs. Permelia Simmons, who died near Yuba City, on Saturday morning, were brought up last night to the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bowden, and the funeral took place this forenoon. It was well attended, the brethren of the Masonic Order acting as pall bearers.

HASTY, William Henry
The Weekly Oroville Mercury
1-30-1885

W. H. Hasty, proprietor of the Hasty mill near Magalia. died on Saturday night, of a cancer from which he has suffered for several years. The funeral took place to-day at Central House.

HIGGINS, Edwin F.
Daily Mercury
3-5-1885

DIED.

In Oroville, March 6, 1885, Edwin F., son of E. and M. Higgins, aged 2 years and 6 months.

The funeral of Edwin F., son of E. and M. Higgins, will take place from the family residence, corner Montgomery and Pine streets, tomorrow, at 2 o'clock P. M. Friends are invited to attend.

McATEE, John
Daily Oroville Mercury
3-18-1885

John McAttee, generally known as "Happy Jack," died at the Infirmary on Monday last. He was about fifty years old, a native of New York and came to Butte some years ago. He has lived for years past between here and Jacinto Colusa County. For several years past, he has spent his time alternately in the Chico lockup, and in the Infirmary here. Drink was the bane of his life. He was, we think, a cavalryman in the Union Army during the late war, and was a man whom everybody regarded with feelings of kindness for his good qualities, sympathy for his condition and contempt for his worthlessness. Though he may have had friends and relatives in the east, who would have gladly cared for him in the last days of his life, he has been buried at the county's expense and in a few years nothing will mark his resting place.

Johns, Edward

Oroville Daily Mercury

4-7-1885

Edward Johns of Cherokee, met with an accident several days ago, from the effects of which he died yesterday. He mounted a horse and intended to ride into the mountains. The horse being dangerous he had a Spanish bit on him, which is very severe on a horse's mouth. The horse, it seems became frightened, and Mr Johns jerking the bit caused the animal to rear when he fell backward on Mr. Johns, the saddle striking him in the stomach. Internal injuries were inflicted from which death resulted yesterday at ten o'clock. Mr. Johns was an industrious citizen, and worked hard for the support of his wife and several children whom, with many friends, he leaves to mourn his loss. He was about 45 years of age. His bereaved family has the sincere sympathy of the community.

KUSEL, Bertha (Mrs. E. A.)

Weekly Mercury

5-22-1885

On last Saturday evening at 6 o'clock, the estimable wife of E. A. Kusel, departed this life, aged 51 years and 8 months. She was born in Ichenhausen, Bavaria, and came with her family to California, early in life. She leaves a husband, five children, many relatives and friends, to mourn her loss. She was an affectionate wife, a loving mother, and a true friend, and we extend the deepest sympathy of the community, to the bereaved family. Deceased was a member of Orange Grove Rebekah Lodge, and was respected and loved by a large circle of friends. The funeral services will take place at the family residence to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The funeral services of Mrs. E. A. Kusel took place at the family residence on Montgomery street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. Jesse Wood, of Pentz, officiating. A large number of friends assembled to perform the last sad rite, for the dear departed, and the services were very impressive. A long line of vehicles followed the remains to the Jewish cemetery, where they were deposited in company with those who have passed on before.

DIED.

In Oroville, May 16, 1885. Mrs. Bertha, wife of E. A. Kusel, aged 51 years and eight months.

FILCHER, Miss Eliza A.
The Placer Herald (Rocklin, CA)
6-6-1885

The Destroyer.

In another column we record the death of Miss Eliza A. Filcher, which occurred at Deadwood, in Butte county, this State, on the 26th of May. Some years ago the deceased left California, her native State, and went with her parents to Montana. There when a girl of about sixteen she was thrown from a sleigh and received such injuries to her hip as to permanently cripple her. She never, however, despaired of getting well, and after doctoring some time at home she returned alone to California in hopes that the better medical and surgical skill of this State would cure her. She was for a long time under the care of the best doctors of Marysville, but made slow progress towards recovery. Some eight months ago she was induced to try the skill of a certain noted healer at Deadwood, and there she went for that purpose. While her hip got no worse she gradually wasted in flesh and bodily strength, until finally, without a struggle, her young and once hopeful life went out, and her pure spirit passed to the Father who gave it. Neither her parents in Montana nor her relatives here were aware of her true condition, except Mrs. Howser, of Marysville, her aunt, who had been telegraphed to a day or two previously and was with her when she died. The body was brought at once to Marysville where the funeral took place from the residence of Mrs. Howser. At the request of her parents who had been informed by telegraph of the sad

event, the remains were buried in the Wheatland cemetery by the side of her mother's mother. This young girl had many warm and generous friends, and the procession that followed her remains in carriages to their last resting place was large and imposing. Though far from home, her relatives and friends left nothing undone that generous and affectionate hearts could do to insure her a respectable burial. All hearts were touched at the thought of one so young, so pure, so beautiful, so lovely, being called from life's hopes to the cold embrace of death. All were affected with sympathy and bowed by deep sorrow, and her distant and sorely stricken parents may find at least one ray of consolation through the deep gloom that overshadowed them, in the thought that every hope of their's was anticipated and endeavored to be fulfilled in the ceremonies attending the last sad rites on earth of their beloved child.

DIED.

At Deadwood, Butte county, May 26, 1885,
Miss Eliza A. Filcher, a native of California,
aged 19 years, 11 months and 16 days.

In Auburn, June 3rd, the infant son of E.
E. Hubert, aged 14 months.

CRUM, John Thompson
The Topeka Daily Capital (Kansas)
6-24-1885

AT REST.

We are indebted to the Coffeyville *Journal* for this item: Mr. J. T. Crum, an old citizen of this city, died at his residence on South Walnut street, on Thursday afternoon. He was in his 65th year, and enjoyed the respect and esteem of all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. For a number of years he had held membership in the Christian church, and was also quite prominently identified with the order of Odd Fellows.

ALLEN, Estelle Lillian
Weekly Butte Record
6-27-1885

Laid Away.

The funeral services of Estella, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Allen, which were held at five o'clock yesterday afternoon, from the Union Hotel, were largely attended by many sympathizers of the parents in the loss of their little pet. The coffin was borne by eight young ladies, attired in white, and deposited in a grave lined with beautiful flowers, moistened with tears of sorrow and sympathy.

A Very Sad Story.

T. D. M. Slaven, teacher of the Yankee Hill school, came to town yesterday evening and relates the following very sad story. Josie E., only daughter of Jos. Miller of that place, was a bright young girl sixteen years of age, and has attended school there since she has been old enough for such. Yesterday morning, as usual, with books and bucket in hand, accompanied by her young and happy companions, she left her father's house and proceeded to school, reaching there apparently well and happy. She talked with her classmates about the day's lessons, and after a little while, took a book and saying that she desired to study alone for a few moments, walked several rods from the school house, and laid under one of the magnificent pines. It was then just before nine o'clock, and in the mean time, Mr. Slaven arrived at the school house. Just at nine, he was called by one of his pupils, and told that Josie wanted to see him. Being surprised that she would send for him, he hastened to her side, and was horrified to find the bright, amiable and lovely young girl, gasping in death. It was indeed a sad and terrible reality to Mr. Slaven and the large number of children who clustered about their dying companion. When spoken to, she faintly uttered the name of her teacher, and died.

DIED.

At Yankee Hill, on July 9th, 1885, Josie E., only daughter of Joseph Miller, aged 16 years



Josie Miller 1869-1885

Photo Courtesy of Jane (Lunt) Homen

This was a scene of inexpressible sadness. The departed girl was a favorite among her companions, and that the relentless Monster should strike her down, while the very roses of health and happiness bloomed upon her cheeks, is a phenomenal illustration of the uncertainty of human hopes and human lives, that can only produce consternation. We extend to the bereaved family and community our sincerest sympathy. The funeral will take place on Saturday, the procession leaving the family residence at 11 o'clock A. M. and proceeding to the cemetery at Cherokee, where the remains will be interred at 1 o'clock P. M. Friends are invited to attend.

CALLOW, Thomas

Weekly Mercury

7-31-1885

THOS. CALLOW.

At eight o'clock, this, Thursday morning, the sad tolling of the Fireman's bell, warned our people that Death, had entered our midst. Thos. Callow, after several months' suffering from consumption, passed quietly away last night about ten o'clock. The deceased was a native of the Isle of Man, and was sixty-one years old. He came to the United States early in life, and settled in Ohio. The gold excitement in early days, brought him to California in 1850, and from that date, he has been an active and respected citizen of Oroville.

He entered public life in 1866 or '67 as County Treasurer, being appointed to fill the unexpired term of Thos. McDaniel. In 1868, he accepted the position of Deputy Clerk under Cap. Darrah, and did so well, that the people elected him County Clerk in 1870.

Since his entrance into public life, he has taken an active interest in politics, and has been a useful citizen in every respect. He was one of the founders of Ophir Hook & Ladder Fire Company, and has always contributed much to the general welfare and prosperity of his town, which he loved very devotedly.

He has been a member of the Butte County Democratic Central Committee for the past eight or ten years, and was a man of much ability and useful and general information. He leaves many relatives and friends to mourn his loss.

The funeral will take place at 10:30 A. M., Sunday, Aug. 2d.

DECEASED.

In Oroville, July 29, 1885, Thos. Callow, a native of the isle of Man. Aged 61 years.

CALLOW, Thomas

Weekly Mercury

8-7-1885

The Funeral.

The funeral of the late Thomas Callow, took place yesterday, at half past ten o'clock, under the auspices of the Knights Templar, of which Order, deceased was an honored member. The Knights Templar, Masonic Order and Firemen, formed in line headed by Excelsior Band, and marched to the residence of deceased, from whence the remains, were carried by D. K. Perkins, J. B. Hewitt, Wm. James, Chas. Waldeyer, Dr. C. C. Mason and T. H. Barnard, as pall bearers, to the Congregational Church, where the services of the Knights Templar, were held, Messrs Wm. Featherstone, and Dr. C. C. Mason officiating. The casket was beautifully decorated, and upon it rested a magnificent Knights Templar cross, made of immortelles, in the center of which nestled a small passion cross. This was a tribute from Judge Lott, and was made in San Francisco. The choir sang

appropriate songs, and the service was very impressive. The procession from the church was formed in the following manner: The Band in the lead, succeeded by the Knights Templar, followed by the Masons and Firemen. Then came the hearse with pall bearers alongside, and a long line of vehicles brought up the rear. At the grave the Knights Templar service was used.

Thus the last sad rites were performed, for Thomas Callow, an old and highly respected citizen of Butte county. He was a warm, trustworthy friend, a good citizen, and a gentleman. His counsel will be missed in Oroville, and the vacancy caused by his death long felt in our community. May he rest in peace.

The late Thomas Callow was a partner of the famous Gridley, who commenced the sale of the sack of flour during the late war. The flour, it is said, was taken from the store of Gridley & Callow, at Austin, Nevada.

Goodrum (Knox), Mrs. Rosa
Daily Mercury
8-10-1885

DIED.

At Clear Creek, Butte county, Aug. 5, 1885,
Mrs. Rosa, wife of James D. Goodrum.

Deceased was married a year or two ago, and has lived happily with her excellent and devoted husband until death snatched her from him. She was a daughter of John Knox of Clear Creek, and was twenty years old, having been born and raised in that community. She was a favorite among the people there, on account of her cheerful disposition, and her death was sad indeed. A new born babe, having just tasted life, and gladdened its father's heart, by a brief existence, passed from this life, almost simultaneously with its young mother, making the circumstance doubly sad. We sympathize with the bereaved husband, relatives and friends.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. George M. Taylor, nee Miss Terissa Giles, was born in New Salem, Mass., July 2nd, 1826. Her first husband's name was Samuel G. Stacy, with whom she removed to Madison, Wis., where they had charge of an academy. They also taught in Iowa. After the death of her husband, she removed with her brother, Sylvester Giles, to Matagorda, Texas, where they taught school. Thence she returned to Madison, Wis., where her brother, Hiram Giles, resided, and afterward taught in Wauconda, Ill. There Mr. Taylor found her, and they were married on March 1st, 1864, at her father's home in New Salem, and came to California. During the last twenty years they have resided in Butte county. The two children, twins, now nearly grown, were born at Colby's landing above Chico, where Mr. Taylor was a partner with G. W. Colby in merchandising.

For several summers past, Mrs. Taylor has suffered severe attacks of sickness. This year, her family and friends hoped that she would recover as heretofore, but the result was otherwise, and she died at her home at Pentz, August 18th, 1885, aged 59 years, 1 month, 16 days. The event was quite unexpected to every one, and was a great shock. George and Anna were summoned by telegraph from the Normal School, but did not arrive until the mother spirit had departed. The unbounded grief of the children and the deep sorrow of the husband and father were profoundly sympathized in by all the neighbors. The funeral services, conducted by Rev. Jesse Wood, took place at the residence August 20th, and the burial was in the cemetery at Cherokee.

Taylor, Mrs. George M.
Daily Mercury
8-26-1885

Mrs. Taylor was a woman of noble character and excellent culture. She had also a kind and charitable spirit, which endeared her to all her neighbors. To her husband and children, she was the center of every thing. In business affairs, as well as in the direction of education, and in moral influence, she had superior capacity.

Mrs. Taylor was from her earlier years a member of the Congregational Church, and manifested through life the virtues and graces of the Christian character. To the Father's home of many mansions, and to a wider and nobler field of activity and usefulness she has gone, and those whom she loved and cherished on earth are following after her.

J. W.

SPENCER, Mrs. Mary Helen Bayles
Daily Mercury
11-10-1885

Mrs. Spencer of Cheeney, Washington Territory, died a few days ago. Mrs. Spencer, nee Miss Baylis, was a Butte county girl, and taught school here while a young lady. Her husband is also a Butte countian, now editor and proprietor of the Cheeney Sentinel. Both are well known in Butte, and their friends here will learn with regret of the death of so excellent a lady.

DIED.

At Cheney, Washington Territory, Nov. 7, 1885, May H. Spencer, nee Baylis, wife of Frank S. Spencer, editor of Cheney Sentinel. [Butte county papers please copy.]

SPENCER, Mrs. F. J. (Mary Helen Bayles)
The Seattle Post Intelligencer
11-17-1885

SUICIDED—From the Colfax Gazette: News reached this city Monday that the wife of F. J. Spencer, editor of the Cheney Sentinel, had committed suicide early Sunday morning by taking strychnine. We are indebted to our Cheney correspondent, who writes under date of November 10th, for the following particulars of the sad affair: In regard to the suicide of Mrs. Spencer very little is known. It was observed by people acquainted with her that on Saturday evening she was quite nervous, and when her husband started to go down town she took hold of him and insisted that he should not go. Business calling him, however, he went and thought nothing of it. He soon returned and they retired for the night. He was awakened quite early on Sunday morning by her, when she said, "Frank, I have done it." "Done what?" said he. "Taken strychnine," was the reply

He at once went for a physician, but she was dead when he arrived. A neighboring woman remained with her while he went for the doctor. To her she confessed having taken strychnine, but regretted the act and was anxious to take some antidote. Said if God would forgive her for this she would never do so again. She seemed rational and gave directions what to do with the child, viz: send her to his mother. The fact is, she was a high spirited woman, very industrious, did a fair share of the business in publishing the paper, and no doubt felt the business responsibility resting in no small degree upon herself, and in addition, had been in poor health for some time. The funeral, which took place on Monday, was attended generally, Rev. Cushing Eells officiating. The husband seemed entirely broken down, and with his child in his arms, wept and refused consolation. She was well thought of by all who knew her, and her suicide was a great shock to this community.

Bader, Nellie May

Weekly Mercury
12-11-1885

DIED.

At Magalia. Dec. 7. 1885. Nellie May, daughter of Charles W. and Mary Bader, aged 10 years, 6 months and 18 days.

We are sorry to announce the death of a little ten-year-old daughter of Chas. Bader of Magalia.



Nellie Bader
1875 - 1885

TEBBE, Johnny
Daily Mercury
12-14-1885

We are sorry to record the death of Johnny, fourteen-year-old son of Gee. Tebbe of Doadwood. He died of diptheria last Saturday morning, and was buried to-day. He was a bright promising boy, and his death was indeed a sad blow to his family.

GLASS, Johnson (Johnston)
Oroville Daily Mercury
12-26-1885

M. H. Wells of Yankee Hill informs us that Johnson Glass who is employed at the upper works of the Cherokee mine, fell from a flume Thursday evening and killed himself. He was a man of family, and was highly respected. The deceased was a relative of Superintendent Glass of the Cherokee mines.

Glass, Johnston

Daily Alta California 12-27-1885

CHEROKEE, December 26th.—Johnston Glass, uncle of Superintendent Glass, was blown from the Spring Valley Mining Company's flume at Concow Valley on Christmas Eve and instantly killed. His remains were found in the rocky gorge below and indicate that his skull was crushed by the first fall. He arrived in California from Ottawa, Kansas, in September.

GLASS, Johnson
Oroville Daily Mercury
12-28-1885

The remains of Johnson Glass, whose death was mentioned last Saturday, were interred in the Cherokee cemetery Sunday afternoon, Rev. Jesse Wood officiating.

REPPERT, Mrs. Marcia May
The Weekly Oroville Mercury
1-29-1886

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Marcia May, wife of Daniel Reppert, of Pentz, died Jan. 19th, after an illness of eight days, leaving her husband with seven children to mourn her loss. In Michigan, her former home, an aged father and a sister are left. She was a faithful wife, a devoted mother and much esteemed in the community. A profound and universal sympathy prevailed in the community when her death was announced. The funeral services, conducted by Rev. Jesse Wood, took place at the residence on the 20th instant, and the burial was at Cherokee. Notwithstanding the raging storm there was a very large attendance. Mr. Reppert desires to express his deep gratitude to the many friends who have been with him and his family in their bereavment.

A FRIEND.

BERDAN, Merca Maria
Weekly Butte Record
3-6-1886

Deaths.

MASON—Near Chico, February 26th, Mrs. Martha S. Mason, aged 63 years, one month and eleven days.

[The funeral services will take place from the residence of C. Rexford, Oakdale, at 10 A. M., to-morrow.

REAVIS—In Dixie Valley, Lassen county, February 22d, Andrew Reavis, a native of Missouri, aged 52 years.

BERDAN—Near Chico, February 25th, Merca M. Berdan, aged 74 years.

A Very Sad Death.

Mrs. R. W. Smith died in Oroville on Saturday, March 13th at 5 o'clock P. M., of pneumonia, after a very brief illness. She was the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sparks, two of Butte county's first settlers, and who have reared a highly respected family in Oroville. Mrs. Smith died in the prime and beauty of her womanhood, at the age of 32 years, and was among the first white children born in this vicinity. She was a member of Orange Grove Rebekah Degree Lodge, and for her amiable disposition and the true excellence of her character was respected and loved by all who knew her. Rebekah Lodge attended the funeral at 2 o'clock to day at the McDermott residence, where Rev. J. W. Brier preached a most beautiful and pathetic sermon. The ceremony at the residence by the Lodge of Rebekahs was very beautiful and sad. "Rock of Ages," "Let Her Sleep 'Neath the Willow by the Stream" and other songs were sung, and the coffin was beautifully decorated with flowers. An elegant floral cross was taken to the grave, and the coffin was covered with wreaths. The throng of friends at the residence attested the high regard in which the deceased was held. A long line of vehicles bearing friends of the deceased, followed to the cemetery where the services were concluded. The entire community was pervaded with the deepest sympathy for the bereaved husband, mother, father, brothers, sisters and friends of the deceased, and all sadly realize that a noble woman has passed from our midst.

SMITH, Mrs. R. W. (SPARKS, Sarah L.) Weekly Mercury 3-19-1886

IN MEMORIAM.

In Oroville, Butte Co., Cal., March 13th, 1886, Sarah L., dearly beloved wife of R. W. Smith, a native of Butte county, aged 31 years, 11 months and 14 days.

To the N. G. V. G. officers and members of Orange Grove Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 81, I. O. O. F.:

We, your committee, to whom was assigned the melancholy duty to draft resolutions to the memory of our worthy and beloved Sister, Sarah L. Smith, of Orange Grove, Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 81, of Oroville, Cal., respectfully submit the following:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Almighty God in his wise providence to take so suddenly from this earthly sphere our beloved sister, Sarah L. Smith,

Resolved, That we, the officers and members of Orange Grove, Rebekah Degree Lodge No. 81, I. O. O. F., express our feelings of deep regret that we have to realize the loss of our true friend and Sister, cut off in the prime of life and usefulness. Her many kind acts endeared her to all. And in the silent tabernacle of our hearts we will cherish and revere her name.

Resolved, That we tender to her bereaved husband this, our sincere expression of sympathy and condolence in the loss of his bosom partner. As our loss of her is keenly felt, so do our emotions swell in sympathy for him who is left to feel the pangs and heartaches of grief that none can know but Him to whom all hearts are known. To that source, then, we would point him for comfort and consolation.

Resolved, That in the depth of mourning, we also express our sympathy for the bereaved husband and friends, and with them drop a silent tear in their sad affliction.

Resolved, That our charter and Lodge room be draped in mourning, and the members wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days, as a token of esteem for our departed Sister.

Resolved, That this expression of esteem and sympathy be spread in full on the minutes of the Lodge, and that a copy of the same be transmitted to Brother R. W. Smith, and a copy be sent for publication to the OROVILLE MERCURY. Respectfully submitted.

Committee, { MILLIE HIGGINS,
 { DELIA RIDER,
 { CLARA GALE,

Attest:--RACHEL MARKS, Secretary.

TAYLOR, George M.

Daily Mercury

3-23-1886

Death.

Geo. M. Taylor died at the residence of L. Glass, in Cherokee, early this morning. He left his home at Pentz a week ago, and on reaching Cherokee was taken with a severe chill, immediately followed by pneumonia, which caused his death. Mrs. Taylor, the estimable wife of deceased, died some months ago. Mr. Taylor has lived a long and honorable life in Butte, and died, aged about 61 years. George and Anna, son and daughter of deceased, have been attending the Normal School at San` Jose for some time, and were summoned home when their mother was ill, arriving here to find her a corpse. George came up from the same school a few days ago, and Miss Anna arrived in town last night, and hastened to Cherokee to find her father at the point of death. We deeply sympathize with the bereaved young lady and gentleman, and extend to them the condolence of the community.

Mr. Taylor was a good man, an affectionate husband, and a kind father. The funeral will take place in Cherokee to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

LINSEY (LINDSAY), Robert
Weekly Mercury
4-2-1886

Robt. Linsey, an old Butte county miner died in Cherokee yesterday, and will be buried there tomorrow at 11 o'clock. He was a highly respected early Californian, and his death is deeply deplored.

MOAK, John Jay
Weekly Mercury
5-7-1886

J. J. Moak of Chico Canyon, was injured by a horse last week and died from the effects on Saturday morning. The horse mashed him against a stall while Moak was attempting to bridle him.

WILLIAMS, William Cooke
The Oroville Mercury
5-7-1886

Fearful Accident.

A terrible and very sad accident occurred at Big Bend tunnel yesterday, Sunday morning, which resulted in the sudden death of W. C. Williams, a man of 37 years, who has worked there ever since the tunnel was commenced. They had just cleared out the north end of the tunnel and were removing large boulders from the face. Williams was a "shift boss," and in his enthusiasm went under a huge rock that weighed, perhaps, twenty tons, and intended to drill a small hole to blast it out. John Cribbins, Superintendent of the tunnel, cautioned him several times against going under the rock, but Williams being fearless and persistent, ventured under. The huge rock, as if projected by cruel Fate, slipped from its position, fell against the unfortunate man, and crushing one leg, threw him violently against another rock and literally mashed his head into an unrecognizable mass. The remains were taken out and carried to the home of deceased, where his young wife and four little ones were overwhelmed with grief. The good miners ceased work for the remainder of the day, and an expression of deepest sorrow and gloom pervaded the place. He was an intelligent, industrious and generally excellent young man, and his death is unspeakably regretted at Big Bend, Cherokee, and other places where he was known.

This is the only accident of any seriousness that has occurred in this great tunnel, and it is indeed sad that such a terrible one has occurred just as a flood of daylight was poured in at the north end.

The remains were brought to Cherokee this morning, where they will be interred, and Coroner Bliss has gone up to hold an inquest.

Mullen, William

Butte Record

5-8-1886

Teamster Killed.

At Flee Valley, near Concow on the 5th instant, a fatal accident occurred, resulting in the death of William Mullen. While driving down the hill, the brake of his wagon gave way and he was thrown from his seat by the jolting of the swiftly descending vehicle. The wagon passed over him, crushing him so severely that he died in a few minutes. He was married and leaves a family.

SMITH, James Monroe
Oroville Mercury
7-2-1886

Another Pioneer Passed Away.

YANKEE HILL, June 25, 1886.

James M. Smith, aged 58 years, died at his home at Frenchtown, June 17th, 1886. He was born in North Carolina February 13, 1818. In 1852 he, with his wife, crossed the plains, arriving in this vicinity in that year, and has been a resident of Frenchtown for nearly thirty-five years. He had been in failing health for several years, and of late, though suffering no pain, has been gradually growing weaker, and finally passed away quietly from the sleep of life into the sleep of eternity. The deceased leaves a family of wife and seven children, nearly all of whom, with their families, were present at the funeral, which took place from the old home at 2 o'clock, June 18th. Numerous friends and neighbors came to pay the last tribute of respect to the remains. The floral offerings were profuse, entirely covering the coffin. The Rev. Jesse Wood delivered a very true and touching funeral service. The remains were interred in a spot selected on the old homestead, and there, surrounded by relatives and old friends, we laid him tenderly away in his last home.



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HAYES, G. W.
Weekly Butte Record
7-3-1886

Death from Sunstroke.

On Tuesday last, about 2 P. M., says the Willows Journal of Saturday, while working at the fork on a threshing machine at Antwine St. Louis' ranch, about 12 miles from Willows, a stranger by the name of G. W. Hayes was sunstricken. This is the first fatal case we have heard of this season. After receiving the stroke he remarked to a fellow laborer that it was very hot for him, and he descended from the stack and crawled under a wagon in the shade. He soon after told some one who was with him that he was going to die, and one of the hands immediately started after a physician. Before the arrival of the physician, however, the man had breathed his last, passing away calmly and peacefully. J. R. Lawrence, the undertaker, was immediately notified, and took charge of the remains. The body was interred on Wednesday afternoon in the Cemetery at this place. As near as can be learned the deceased was named G. W. Hayes, about 40 years of age, and he formerly work in the mines at Cherokee, Butte county. It is believed that the unfortunate man has relatives in Josephine county, Oregon.

CRUM, Hiram
Weekly Butte Record
7-14-1886

DIED.

At Dry creek, July 4th, 1866, HIRAM CRUM. Aged, 60 years, 11 months and 6 days.

The subject of this notice was born at Fort Hamilton, Ohio. Emigrated to Henry county, Indiana, in 1830 from thence to Sangoman county, Illinois, in 1840, where he lost his wife. Removed to Joe Davis county in 1849. Came to California and settled in Butte county, where he remained until his death. He was highly respected by all his numerous acquaintances, filled the office of Justice of the Peace nine years in this county; always healthy and active, and his life was closed by being thrown from a horse, producing concassion of the brain. He leaves a large family and many friends to mourn his loss. Peace be unto him.

DEAD.—Mr. WM. CRUM, whom we mentioned last week as lying in a critical condition, from concussion of the brain, produced by being thrown from a horse died from the effects of his injuries on Saturday last. He was an old esteemed resident of the county, and leaves a family, and a large circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn his loss. In his death the county has lost a good citizen.

MYERS, Joseph Newton

Daily Mercury

10-11-1886

DEED.

At Deadwood, October 7, 1886, Jasper Newton Myers, aged 29 years, 11 months and 8 years.

Dearest brother thou hath left us
And your loss we deeply feel,
But this wild, fierce pain at parting
Does but heavenly light reveal.

Though you've gone a step before us
Sacred will your memory be;
God grant, that when this life is o'er,
At heaven's bright throne thy face we'll
see.

Joseph Newton Myers, of Wyandotte, died on the 9th of the present month at Deadwood, under the care of the Chinese doctor. He was taken sick some months ago, and his physician pronounced his illness Bright's disease of the kidneys. No relief could be had, and as a last resort he went to the place above named. He was an excellent young man, only 29 years old, and his death was a sad blow to his family and friends.

CHESHIRE, Thomas
The Butte Weekly Miner (Montana)
10-13-1886

The Deadwood Disaster.

DEADWOOD, Dak., October 12.—Four deaths have resulted from the California disaster—Philip Wyman, Thomas Cheshire, John Pascoe and Harry Rosiere. Thirty-one men were at work on the three hundred foot level at the time, 150 feet distant. They were protected by angles in the wall. Five only were seriously injured by the concussion—Fred Fillian, William Hopkins, Peter Kahn, Charles McDeeogh and James Pregelne. The funeral of the dead will take place to-morrow.

MYERS, Jasper Newton
Weekly Mercury
10-15-1886

DIED.

At Deadwood, October 7, 1888, Jasper Newton Myers, aged 29 years, 11 months and 8 years.

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