

CAUGHT IN WRECK

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FIREMAN WEDGED IN HIS CAB

Difference of Opinion About Train Orders Results in Collision, Two Deaths, and in the Injury of Two Others.

EUREKA, Cal., Oct. 6.—Two men dead and two injured, but not seriously, is the result of a collision between an extra and regular freight train on the San Francisco and Northwestern, near the Fortuna ferry crossing yesterday. The dead:

CHARLES STILL, fireman of the extra, HENRY LOWE, brakeman on the freight.

The injured:

ALEX HITCHIN, brakeman on the freight, PETER CLARK, conductor on the freight.

Most of the crews saved their lives by jumping. The collision was due to a misunderstanding or ignoring of orders. Conductor of the freight train, Clark, was giving him the right of way, while Conductor Clark maintains that he had orders to take the siding at Newburg, but that he was subsequently countermanded and so he was proceeding on his usual way.

Low, the brakeman on the freight, was hurled 40 feet. His legs were crushed to a pulp. Still, the fireman on the extra, was knocked between the cab and the tank of the engine. To release him it was necessary to take some of the flat cars off the track.

Still died while being brought to Eureka and Lowe died at the hospital two hours after arriving here.

WILL VOTE ON RIVER DISTRICT.

Clark County Commissioners Name November 7 as the Day.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—At the recent meeting of the County Board of Commissioners for Clark County, it was decided to hold an election on November 7, 1903, from 9 o'clock A. M. to 6 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of determining whether they should establish a river improvement district. The boundaries proposed for the districts by the Commissioners are as follows:

Commencing at the point where the township line between townships one and two east of the Willamette meridian intersects the ordinary low water mark of the Columbia River; thence north along the said township line to the Mill Plain road running from the City of Vancouver easterly to Mill Plain in Clark County, Washington; thence westerly along said Mill Plain road to where the same intersects the east boundary of the United States military reservation; thence northerly along the east line of said military reservation to the northeast corner thereof; thence westerly along the north boundary line of said military reservation to the point where the said west boundary line of said military reservation intersects the north boundary line of the City of Vancouver, in Clark County, Washington; thence westerly along the north boundary line of the City of Vancouver, in Clark County, Washington, to the west boundary line of the said city; thence south along the west boundary line of said city to the ordinary low-water mark of the Columbia River; thence easterly along the north bank of said Columbia River and following the meanders of said river along the low-water mark to the place of beginning.

PRUNES SHIPPED TO LONDON.

Carload Lot Arrives in Prime Condition and Brings Good Prices.

THE DALLIES, Or., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—Highly interesting and satisfactory returns have just been received by R. H. Weber, of this city, on a carload shipment of Hungarian and Italian prunes, which were sent by the Dallee Fruit Growers' Union some weeks ago to a New York firm for sale there. Upon arrival in New York the fruit was found to be in such prime condition that the Eastern market was made of forwarding it to London.

The advice now received is that the fruit arrived there fresh and perfect and was sold in the London market, the Hungarian prunes bringing 6 shillings on an average per crate, or \$1.50; the Italian prunes from the Weber orchard selling for 6 shillings 6 pence, or \$1.90, the buying price being \$1.25 and \$1.50, respectively. As far as can be ascertained, this is the first carload of fresh prunes that has ever been shipped direct from Oregon to England, and gives a wholly new idea to the growers of this vicinity, whose prune crop has heretofore been marketed in Eastern States.

Mr. Weber expresses his intention of giving the experiment a further trial next year, and has pointed out the progressive fruitgrower of this city to join with him in risking a carload of prunes in the new venture.

So far this year about 50 carloads of prunes have left the Dallee for Eastern points, most of them finding market in New York City, although some have been shipped to Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Pittsburg. The prune crop in this vicinity has averaged about 15 per cent in advance of last year, and is now practically disposed of.

BACK TO PUBLIC DOMAIN.

Unpatented Land Reverts, in Absence of Heirs, to Homesteader.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—In a decision rendered today by the Supreme Court it is held that the absence of heirs qualified to succeed to the homestead rights of a deceased entryman, the homestead, if still unpatented, reverts to the public domain and the estate of the estate cannot be enforced against it.

The case came up from Cowitz town, where in 1898 A. J. Towner squatted on 40 acres of unsurveyed Government land. Ten years prior thereto one Madison had settled on the tract, improved it and remained in possession until his death, two months before Towner's entry upon the land. In 1902 administrator of Madison's estate attempted to sell the improvements and homestead right in order to pay the debts of the estate.

Daniel Rodgeb purchased the right, and the effect of the decision is to enjoin him from interference with Towner's possession.

NORTHWEST DEAD.

Ex-Senator David Miller.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Oct. 6.—(Special.)—Ex-Senator David Miller, of Spring Valley, near Waukegan, died tonight, following operations necessitated by pleurisy pneumonia. He has been near death at a hospital for several weeks. Interment will be Thursday afternoon under Oddfellows auspices. Mr. Miller was also a member of the A. O. U. W. and Woodmen of the World.

For 23 years ex-Senator Miller has been one of the prominent ranchers of this country. He served as State Senator for Washington from 1892 to 1900. He was born in 1837 in Edinburgh County, Scotland, and immigrated with his wife to the Puget Sound in 1860. In the '70s he pushed west to Wyoming and Utah, and finally into Washington, where he has been continuously on the one farm.

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