

**DEAD IN
THE GRAND.**

**A Floater Found in the River
Near Fruita with a Bullet
Hole in the Neck.**

THE DEAD MAN SUPPOSED TO BE
FRANK BROWN AND TO
HAVE COME FROM
GUNNISON.

Another victim of the rather numerous deeds of violence recently perpetrated in this vicinity was yielded up by the waters of the Grand Sunday evening.

About 6 o'clock Lee Ashley, one of a party of young men fishing in the neighborhood of Fruita, discovered a floater in the river, and efforts were at once made to secure the body and bring it ashore. Their efforts proved successful, and the corpse was found to be that of a man about 45 years of age, sandy hair and beard tinged with gray. On the person was found a slip of paper with the name "Frank Brown, Lakeview, Gunnison," and a railroad ticket from Gunnison to destination obliterated.

The dead man had been shot through the neck, and had evidently been cast in the river at least nine days previous.

It would seem as if there were a gang of regularly organized hold-ups and murderers located hereabouts. There have been several dead men with marks of violence which the waters have given up in the past few months, and the Gunnison or the Grand is evidently the dumping ground.

The news of the ghastly find was brought to this city today by Frank Skelly of the Grand Junction and Fruita stage line.

Dr. L. F. Ingersoll, county coroner, left on the noon train to care for the body.

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