

[<Back to search result list](#) The Meeker Herald, Volume 2, Number 47, July 2, 1887  — The Killing of Augustine. [ARTICLE]

**The Killing of Augustine.**

News reached here Thursday evening from Rangely stating that Augustine, one of the meanest and most vicious Indians that has ever troubled the settlers on White river, was shot and killed on the previous evening near Rangely by one A. A. Munniz, a Mexican. Details of the shooting are not obtainable at this writing, but from Mike Drum, the Rangely mail carrier, we learn that Augustine and the Mexican had a quarrel some days before and which fracas is supposed to have been the prelude to the making of another "good Indian." After the killing the Mexican skipped out, "hitting the high places" in the direction of Grand Junction. Gus and Pedro, two Utes, came in late Thursday evening bearing a message from C. P. Hill, of Rangely, invoking the aid of Sheriff Kendall in capturing Munniz.

There are a good many Mexicans living on White river below Rangely and trouble is expected as a natural sequel to the killing of Augustine.

It will be remembered by most of the old settlers on White river that Augustine was the Indian who killed an unoffending Mexican at the place where William McDowell's cow camp is now located on Lower White three years ago the coming fall. Previous to that event Augustine was a very ordinary scrub of a renegade buck, but after the killing of the Mexican he immediately blossomed out as a full fledged warrior and took high rank among Colorado's renegade band of braves. He has given the settlers on Lower White as much annoyance as any Ute that has ever run at large on the river, White River Colorado not excepted, and his taking off will not be regretted by the settlers. He was ushered into the Happy Hunting Ground from Colorado soil, which is an indication that he was where he didn't belong at the time of his exit.