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GENERAL NOTES.

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MICHIGAN NEWS

GENERAL STATE ITEMS.

John P. Wolcott, a resident of Farmington since 1839, is dead.

A summer normal school will be established at Alma, to commence July 6.

President Cleveland has appointed Chas. H. Adams postmaster at Allegan.

Flatwoods laid a $20,000 fire a few days ago, when the opera house burned.

Between 40 and 50 new dwellings have been erected at Manistique this spring.

Jackson county farmers have planted a larger acreage of corn than usual.

The old 4th Mich. Inf. will hold its 13th annual reunion at Jonesville, June 24.

Fred Douglass will deliver the oration at East Saginaw on anniversary day.

The custom house at Memphis, Tenn., will be furnished by a Grand Rapids firm.

J. McCall of Kalamazoo, will take the place of one of the recent victims of a gang of blackmailers.

Miss A. Bauman of West Bay City, died suddenly the other morning, while waking up in bed.

John Vanderplatz of Ionia became despondent because he had no work and committed suicide.

Mary E. Robinson, an inmate at the Pontiac insane asylum, suicided a few days ago, by drowning.

Fifteen hundred and eighty-nine immigrants entered the United States in the Huronditrict in May.

Miss A. M. Adams of St. Clair, has engaged in the culture of silk worms, starting with 3000 eggs.

Charles Flatz of Lansing, aged 12 years, fell from a raft and in the river while fishing and was drowned.

Michigan is the only state in the union where the lumber cut has not falled below the average yield.

The eighth annual meeting of the sugar beet growers association will be held at Owosso on the 18th.

The annual meeting of the Michigan bee culture society will be held in Frankfort, Benzie county, June 21.

The Pontiac water works on Lake Huron to the amount of $15,000 for water works was carried by a large majority.

A. H. Fitch, secretary of the law and order league of Kalamazoo, was severely beaten by a tough a few days since.

Pat Bennan, the murderer of Deputy Sheriff Rodd of Saginaw, has been found guilty of insanity in Judge Gaskill's court.

Charles Young, of Ireland, was knocked down in the streets of East Saginaw and robbed of his watch—a.

P. O. Lutz of Allegan county sheared from one of his sheep a fleece which he obtained about 2,000 pounds of wool.

Michael Welch, a farmer living near Hudson, committed suicide by hanging, while at work in the woods a few days since.

A little son of S. F. Noble of Fairfield, fell off a load of hay and had his ribs broken, besides injuring him internally.

Geo. W. Ford, one of the most merchant of Niles, has secured an appointment as Indian trader in the Blackfoot country.

Chas. Ford, a brakeman on Northern Michigan railroad, jumped from a train and died shortly after, his home is in Ionia.

Chajlinsky & Co. of Grand Rapids will place a white lounge statue of a soldier, in honor of Gen. Custer, in the city.

Pat Bennan, who killed Deputy Sheriff Kohl in Saginaw on March last, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

St. Clair claims one of the youngest living veterans of the late civil war. It is Julian Finn, who enlisted at the age of 12.

Jackson is to have a grand temperance rally for the S. S. Johnson and other distinguished temperance workers will attend.

There were 2,7 04 barrels of salt inspected in the city of Saginaw last week, and the amount inspected to June 1, was 1,118 06 barrels.

John W. Alcott, a prosperous youngfarmer living near Ypsilanti, has disappeared. His friends are very anxious concerning his fate.

Ex-Brother of Chicago, has purchased Bat Wright's interest in the Grand Rapids Times including the road horse "Gogue Jake, for $13,000.

A son of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher has been appointed collector of customs for the district of Puget Sound, Oregon, for Washington Territory.

Miss Clara Krull, of the firm of Cole & Krull of St. Johns, died recently after a lingering illness, caused by a fall while rollerskating last winter.

Ed. Clark, who left this stepmother in Port Sanilac a short time ago, has been in jail for trial at the September term of the Huron county court.

In the vineyard of Mr. Bitler of Lawton, as many as 2 000 cut worms have been gathered in one night besides steel beetles, rose bugs and other pests.

Charles E. Stevens, son of a prominent dry goods dealer of Detroit, has received about $30,000 from his father's firm, was arrested in Detroit the other day.

The state board of agriculture has been considering the advisability of placing a small herd of Jersey cattle on the agricultural college farm for some time.

John L. Greening, a lawyer of Bay City, is charged at the instance of Mr. Bauman, a grocer, of West Bay City, charged with receiving money on a bogus check.

Dr. Dexter M. Hurd, superintendent of the Eastern Michigan Insane Asylum, has returned to Pontiac after a three months visit to California, much improved in health.

A Tacoma, W. T., paper says Tom Navin's effects at Port Gamble, were sold last week for $45 on a judgment for debt. Thomas left only $20 worth of clothing in the place.

Wm. R. Balbridge, an old resident of Gaines township, Kent county, was killed by being struck with a falling tree. He was assisting to raise into position on a new barn.

Considerable alarm has been created at Ypsilanti over frequent cases of illness resembling cholera, but the physicians emphatically deny that there if anything resembling cholera.

July 13, the Calumet & Hecla mining company will divide among the stockholders the sum of $700 000. This, with the $500,000 paid in February last, will make $1 200,000 so far this year.

F. V. Smith of Coldwater is obliged to disose of a magnificent pair of Jersey's on account of ill health. Mr. Smith has been one of the officers of the state agricultural society many years.

S. C. Smith, formerly a pioneer of the Saginaw lumber trade, but now a resident of Great Republic mine, but late of Antoinette, died at Marquette hotel a few days since after a brief illness.

The statue of Gen. Custer which was erected at West Point a year or two ago has been taken down and consigned to a rubbish heap. This act has been brought about by the solicitation of Mrs. Custer.

Frank Rogers of Galesburg, was sitting in a wagon with a drunken man, when the whole weapon was accidentally discharged, the contents striking him above the right eye, making a long and ugly wound.

Rev. Dr. John H. Karsten, editor of the Holland paper De Hope, published in Holland, has been elected vice president of the ninth general synod of the reformed church in America, in session at Syracuse, N. Y.

Frank, the six-year-old son of Samuel Hunter, employed at the Bay City Car Works railroad, at East Saginaw, was sliding down and hoop, when he slid into the river and was drowned. The body was recovered.

Capt. C. J. Newson of Cadillac, has on exhibition a gigantic crane which is 5 feet 4 inches high and measures 6 feet 2 inches from tip to tip of wings. The bird was found entangled among some fish nets.

The Michigan Central bridge at Bay City was very much injured and damaged so seriously that all Chicago and northern Michigan was compelled to go around by Vassar and Saginaw for several days until the bridge was repaired.

The contract for the heating apparatus in the northern insane asylum at Traverse City has been let to Samuel A. Pope & Co., of Chicago, for $19,979; and Rundle, Spencer & Co., of Milwaukee, get the plumbing job at $17,929.54.

Mrs. Archibald MacLaurin, an old lady and respected resident of Port Huron, died Sunday. Deceased had suffered amputation of a limb, followed by a long and painful illness. She leaves a husband and four children.

A valuable team of horses, belonging to the Lansing railroad stone company, whose works are situated between the Lake Shore railway and the river, became frightened at a locomotive and plunged off the dock. Both horses were drowned.

M. Betterly, engaged in working in the store of J. V. Gilbert in Howell, had occasion to mount a step-ladder, when he slipped and falling three him through a window, cutting his face in a shocking manner. He will be disfigured for life.

The jury in the case of Mrs. Sessions, charged with producing an abortion upon Mrs. Peck of Wayland, from the effect of which the woman died, after being out an hour and a half, returned a verdict of manslaughter, the murder count having been quashed.

The case of the Chambers' Horse Guards presented to that troop by the late Zachariah Chandler in August, 1861, has been presented to the state by Capt. Barber of Lansing, who commanded the company, and to whom the flag was presented at the close of the war.

The Adrian people boast that on the Fourth of July, 50 years ago, some wheat that was standing in the morning, was cut, threshed, winnowed at the old Hoag place, made into a variety of eatables, and disposed of by a hungry, healthy, and patriotic lot of boys and girls.

Frank T. Young of Hickory Corners, Barry county, while out fishing in a small tributary on Crooked lake was drowned. The boat sprang a leak and in the hurry he jumped overboard toward the shore thirty rods distant. Eden Pennock in attempting his rescue came near drowning.

Wm. K. Joslyn of Grand Rapids, aged 70, who has been receiving allowances for pleurisy to commit suicide lately, accomplished his purpose the other night by plunging head foremost into a cistern. He became insane over the loss of a horse and the fear of not being able to support his family.

Father Vonder Heyden, of St. Anne's, Roman Catholic church, Saginaw City, has arranged to visit his old home in Holland this season. He expects to sail on the 10th. It is 17 years since he has visited Holland or had any vacation. He has had charge of St. Anne's parish for about 25 years.

The Michigan sons of veterans in session in Lansing, elected the following officers: Commander, E. W. Brown, Grand Rapids; first commander, M. E. Hall, Hillsdale; vice lieutenant, Wm. J. Bowditch, Lansing; chaplain, L. A. Baker, Lansing. Next year's encampment will be held at Grand Ledge.

John Berube and Fred Fortier were working on top of a twenty building at Oscoda recently, when the scaffold gave way and Fortier, a man weighing 200 pounds, fell 21 feet, striking his head against the timbers. He is probably fatally hurt. Berube clung to some scantling in mid air and was rescued safely.

The Japanese government wants to secure the Grand Rapids exhibition of the Northern American exposition to take home. It consists of various colored shoe pegs laid vertically, and forms a little grove of the finest ton possible to describe, by pupils under six years of age, who have to reach the little ones the different colors and lines.

Saginaw Courier—The first mail carrier in this section of Michigan was Barnabas Hill, who now lives at Farrandville, Genesee county. He carried the mail from Grand Rapids and Saginaw 41 to 44 years ago. At that time the road from Grand Rapids to Saginaw was a winding trail through the woods and what is now East Saginaw was a mere wilderness.

President Cleveland has appointed Wm. V. Meredith postmaster, at East Saginaw, vice Wm. Wirt, resigned. Meredith, resigned because he had been found guilty of fraudulently appropriating to his own use part of his allowance for office rent to pay for the rent of a room and sub letting a portion of the premises without accounting for the money received for the same.

The shooting tournament recently held in Jackson was a success financially. The cash prizes and other prizes were distributed as follows: $838; Jackson won $250 cash, Pontiac $150, Coldwater $100, Ann Arbor $100, Detroit $100. Jackson, Pontiac and Coldwater, the three hammerless, gun, and will hold the rifle, bear and silver pitcher. Pontiac won a silver bear and a pointer pup.

The body of a German named Krimmecker was found in the river at Crow Island, and from marks of violence about the head of the body the supposition is that he was first murdered. Krimmecker had not lived pleasantly with his wife for years, and had frequently been hard words between his father-in-law and the latter's father-in-law has been arrested on suspicion.

C. McElroy of St. Clair, has been elected president of the Michigan Central railroad, vice Mr. L. B. Parker of Marine City, resigned; Mr. Parker of Marine City, secretary; Mark Hopkins of St. Clair, treasurer, and Valentine A. Sash of Marine City, auditor. The Detroit Free Press is mistaken in its report, when it says that the Michigan Central will be operated as a separate road.

A convention of business men of the Upper Peninsula was held in Marquette a few days ago. A committee was appointed to visit Sault Ste. Marie, Lake Superior and Ishpeming to purchase the Portage lake canal and appropriate money for its improvement. It was decided to postpone further discussion of matters relative to the canal until after the report, when the convention will reassemble and matters will assume more definite shape.

The beekeepers in Kalamazoo and Allegan have suffered greatly the past winter. David L. Hamilton, who lives about two miles south of a 1,50 swarms last fall has but one colony left. Mr. Candings, out of fifty swarms in the spring, has but 15 left. Mr. Ford and Henry Sutton, both of Galesburg, have only lost half. Mr. Ford says he has lost all. Beekeepers are greatly discouraged, and they have great difficulty in disposing of swarms as those who did sold for less than a small experience next winter.

Ben B. Parsons of Bay City, has just received the second foal born in that city for two years ago when he was wounded in the battle of Bethel Church, Va. The sword was found by Capt. Hewitt of Virginia, who took possession of the horse. Parsons fought after the war, even advertising the circumstances in the Richmond papers, and finally got back the sword with five Mauser rifles, deputy sheriff of a county in Texas, and through the kindness of commander of the department of Texas U. S. A., the sword is just returned to Ralph W. Parsons, commander of Bay City post. Parsons is much rejoiced over the recovery of the valued memento.

DETROIT MARKETS.

The grain market is irregular but generally higher, following cables and the report of early decline, which is indicated by the visible aftermath showing an increase of 1,000,000 bu. are firmer but not quitably higher. The general produce market is dull. The demand for strawberries is large and the market somewhat demoralized. Eggs are a little stronger and higher. Butter is weak and very dull. Cheese and ham are dull and easier. Salt fish show a decline of about 1 per lb. Potatoes are dull, the liberal receipts of fresh fish. The hardware market shows no change, nails being still advanced 5c per keg while tin plates have declined.

Wheat—No. 1 white	$ 99½	$ 1 00
Wheat—No. 2 red	1 00	1 00½
Corn	45	46
Oats	28	28½
Barley	55	60
Rye per 100	4 00	4 50
Corn meal per 100	1 50	1 60
Glover Seed 8 bu	5 00	5 25
Timothy Seed	1 75	1 80
Apples per bbl	3 00	3 50
Apples per bu	25	1 00
Tallow per lb	06	07
Cheese	10	12
Lard	10	12
Potatoes	39	45
Turnips	25	30
Onions 9 bu	1 25	1 50
Honey	12	18
Beans, picked	1 75	1 80
Beans, unpicked	90	1 00
Hay	15 00	17 00
Straw	6 00	7 00
Pork, dressed 9 100	5 50	6 00
Pork, mess new	11 74	12 00
Pork, family	12 00	12 25
Hams	11	12
Shoulders	7	8
Lard	10	12
Dried Beef	12	13
Tallow	06	07
Beeswax	30	35
Calf extra mess	10 25	15 50
Wood, Beech and Maple	5 00	6 00
Wood Maple	6 25	6 50
Wood Hickory	7 00	8 00

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Shipping steers, $4 90@5 00; stockers and feeders, $3 50@3 60; cows, bulls and mixed, $2 25@4 50; through Texas cattle, $2 80@3 00; receipts 1,615; left over, 1,615 (4 75; western ranges, corn fed, $5 @5 75.

HOGS—Rough and mixed, $3 90@4 12; packing and shipping, $4 20@4 30; light weights, $3 90@4 40; skips, $3@3 75.

SHEEP—Slow but steady; natives, $2 75@4 50; western, $4 25@4 75; Texans, $4 5.@5 50; lambs per head, $2 25@3 25.

CONDENSED NEWS.

The Hessian fly is playing havoc with Kansas wheat.

Another New York bank teller has skipped with $10,000.

Hereafter President Cleveland will see no visitors on Saturday.

Ex-Governor Bullock, son of the late Alexander H. Stephens, was sold a few days ago.

The assistant United States treasurer at New Orleans is short in his accounts about $25,000.

Ferdinand Ward, of the banking firm of Grant & Ward, has been indicted for grand larceny.

Abe Buzzard, the notorious Pennsylvania outlaw, voluntarily surrendered in Lancaster recently.

The Ohio Greenback labor party has nominated a full state ticket. J. W. Northup heads the ticket.

The Canadian Pacific railway has inaugurated war on Winnipeg and through freights against the Grand Trunk.

A dispatch received in San Francisco states that the Apache raid is over, the Indians have been captured.

Ex-President Arthur is said to be preparing for a sea voyage. He suffers great pain from Bright's disease.

Lieutenant Sergt. Reilly and Private Ayler, of the Texas state rangers were mistaken for robbers and shot.

Blanche K. Bruce, register of the treasury has been removed, and Gen. Rosencrans appointed in his place.

A Mohammedan mosque in the village of Sapur near Lorengaur was demolished and 200 persons instantly killed.

The internal revenue commissioner says collectors must use their names instead of using hand stamps hereafter.

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE.

JUNE 2.

SENATE—The governor noted his approval of the act to repeal protecting Pontiac. Regulating practice of pharmacy, amending laws relative to inspection of hulls. The following bills passed: Joint resolution to place the remains of Ironwood Ontonagon county, for the organization of Ironwood. Bill to incorporate Lapeer county, and Waterford, Tuscola county; to permit Scott Firmin, amending section 5297 Howell, relative to salaries of sheriffs, etc. Bill to compel corporations to prevent non-resident aliens from acquiring or holding lands in this state, lost, motion to reconsider laid on table. Amending section 5638, Howe, relative to administrators, passed; for the protection of British keepers; for a board of county commissioners, lost. Amending sec. 2195, Howell, relative to wills by deed, passed; amending sec. 4207, Howe, increasing salaries in the office of the commissioner of insurance; to provide a salary for a stenographer in ninth judicial circuit. Tax report of the judiciary committee, concurrence. Senate Shoemaker and Representative Wright dissenting, passed. Joint resolution in relation to the appropriation of $41,000 received from the general government to the state of Michigan for the support and the payment of a commission to friend Palmer of collecting the money, passed. Joint resolution, gross mismanagement in office upon the late chairman of the board of state tax commissioners and irregularities in the management of the state prison, amendment were rejected or tabled printed and laid on table. Minority reports by the members dissenting will take the same course.

HOUSE—The governor noted his approval of the following act: Incorporating Birmingham, Oakland county; to provide for an attorney for the prosecuting attorney of Ontonagon county; amending South Lyon, Oakland county, etc. Bills passed: amending Owosso city charter; amending an appropriation for the state industrial home for girls; incorporating the village of Tawas City. Adjourned.

JUNE 4.

SENATE—The concurrent resolution to adjourn June 6 was adopted. Adjourned to date June 17, formal business to cease three days before adjournment. Bills passed: Fixing the time for completing state roads in Grand Traverse and Leelanau counties; making an appropriation for the university; establishing a soldiers home; to provide better laws for the round in the state; to provide for payment expenses of investigating charges against Dr. Hibbs; to provide for the support of the insane. Adjourned.

HOUSE—The governor communicated his approval of the following acts: Amending act creating board of public works of Grand Rapids; amending act establishing board of fire commissioners of Grand Rapids; amendment Wyc. Bill passed: Relative to the support of insane asylums. The following bill passed: Concurrence in Senate amendments to prescribe the duties of the attorney general; to require supreme court and circuit judges to report annually; to provide for the protection of words of the bill struck out, asking congress to pass a law to prevent the sale of liquor in reconsidered and tabled; amending sec. 4385, Howell, relative to the duties of the state board of equalization; to provide for the support of the state prison; amending act of 1881 relative to general and special laws; for the protection of the public officers who unlawfully appropriate public moneys. Senate bill passed: Concurring in the Senate's amendments to the resolution of adjournment, fixing the date of closing business June 17. Senate bill passed: Adjournment June 6. Adjourned.

JUNE 5.

SENATE—The governor noted his approval of the act incorporating Tawas City. The Senate concurred in the House resolution of adjournment June 17, and of final adjournment June 6. Bills passed: Amending act 1881 relative to the Auditorium, the Auditorium to be open to the public at all times, bills on table; sec. 5150, forbidding the depositing of any person as under sheriff or deputy sheriff, lost; to provide for the support of Michigan, lost; reconsidered and tabled; amending act 1881 relative to the Auditorium; claim to divide a state Saginaw river; amending act 1881 relative to the Auditorium; amending act 1881 relative to the Auditorium; amending act 1881 relative to the Auditorium