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WOLVERINE NEWS.

The rapid increase of our foreign population—five and a quarter millions having landed on our shores in the last ten years—and the consequent increase of a voting population ignorant of our institutions, together with the impulse toward paternalism which from various reasons has followed the civil war, render it necessary that our system of education should be directed chiefly towards the work of teaching the duties of citizenship to a government in which the citizens are the rulers.

THERE has been, it is true, some talk in New York of ladies riding horseback in regular man fashion, but no one ever heard of a lady riding a bicycle in that fashion for the simple reason that they—the machines—are not built that way. A lady may ride a bicycle as decorously and prudishly as she might ride in a horse-car, and there is no reason of decorum why women anywhere should not take the wheel for health or recreation, as a constantly increasing number of them are doing.

ENGLAND has reason to be ashamed of a good many things, but of none more than that English law forbidding interference with the brutal and degrading child marriage of India. One hundred millions of women are slaves in India to a degrading superstition, and the birth of a girl means a life of wretchedness. Ten or twelve years of age is the limit for such a child to be free. It is the most cruel of injustices that we could ever know. And yet it is perpetrated under the protection of the English flag.

ADVANCEMENT in methods is a feature of military training as well as of other departments of human activity. The very cruelty of the exigencies of war forces upon the victims the consciousness of defective rules, and opens the way for improvement. Germany, far in advance of other nations as to the discipline of her army, and France, who follows closely after her late conquerors, had both to learn something in their struggle of twenty years ago, and are using their lessons now in the training of their armies.

BISHOP COXE in an address delivered at a commencement of a young ladies' seminary in Buffalo, expressed a hope that none of the graduates would ever be seen astride a bicycle, and said "the girls in the seen on Decatur avenue looked like old women on a broomstick." From the good Bishop's language it is evident that however unquestionable an authority he may be on other matters, he has fallen in this case into a misconception no longer shared by the enlightened laity of the land respecting the exact structure of a ladies' bicycle and the position of its fair occupant.

It was once supposed that our ancestors were longer-lived than we are of this generation. Such, however, is not the case. We now live longer on the average than they did. There is a larger per cent of old people, men and women, in this country than ever before, and they live to be relatively older than did our grandparents. Human life is thus prolonged in multiplied instances beyond the old limit of three score and ten, but the old people of our day are more vigorous, active and useful, and in the matter of mere physical enjoyment, enjoy life better than did the old people of the past.

The experience had with the attempt to check Italian and Slav immigration does not leave us ground for firm faith that the legal barriers will prevent the country from being overrun by Moslem beggars. There is a better cure for this evil in the return to the old law of making professional mendicancy a misdemeanor and providing the mendicants with enforced labor. Every community has the local authority to put such a law in force. If the immigration of a character such as comes here to beg or to subsist on the public charities grows to a large volume, each section could find work for it in making good roads until the immigrants perceived the necessity of finding work for themselves.

THERE is no earthly reason why lawyers and doctors should not advertise. What they have at their disposal—education, talent, physical ability and time—they want to sell. They are in the market with their wares just as much as any dry goods man or grocer is. A good many of them put on considerable airs, as though they are in some way superior to other business men, but they are as sharp after the almighty dollar as any merchant or store-keeper, have as rigid a scale of charges and demand their price as firmly and use in the courts as readily. In fact, they are men of business like the rest, with precisely the same ambitions and motives. There is therefore no reason why they should not bring themselves and their wares to the attention of the public in the regular businesslike way.

THERE was a time when men and women of fifty-five, sixty and sixty-five years were practically laid on the shelf, forced into retirement and suspension, for two reasons. First, because in the majority of instances at that age then they were in fact superannuated, and second, even when the physical and mental vigor had not abated, public sentiment was so universally strong against old people, people past fifty, that they were compelled to relinquish the struggle of affairs and surrender it to those of a younger generation. It is not so, at least not to the same extent, now that it was then. In these days a man of fifty and fifty-five, other things being equal, is regarded as being just in his prime and good for fully twenty years more of active, efficient service. The age line, so line of supersuasion, has thus been sensibly advanced into the seventies.

Some of the Preparations Being Made in Detroit for the Reception of the G. A. R.

Some Difficulties in the Way of Properly Organizing the New County of Dickinson.

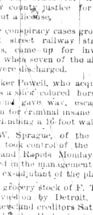
Items of Interest From All Parts of the State Gathered by Wire and by Mail.

The Encampment Program.

DETROIT, July 29.—The executive committee has adopted the following as the program for the encampment:

Monday, August 3.—Reception, parade.

Tuesday, August 4.—10:30 a. m., parade of G. A. R., naval veterans and Sons of Veterans; 8 p. m., reception and greeting to Commander-in-Chief Veazey and



RUSSELL A. ALGER,
Chairman Executive Committee of G. A. R. Encampment.

members of the G. A. R., Sons of Veterans and the Relief Corps at the Detroit Rink; 9 p. m., reception at Camp Sherman to the commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. and wives.

Wednesday, August 5.—10:30 a. m., twenty-fifth annual session of the national encampment, G. A. R., at Beecher's hall; 10:30 a. m., ninth annual convention of the Woman's Relief Corps at the Church of Our Father. All day reunions of the veterans will be held at various halls, school buildings and offices by regimental and brigade organizations. At the same time there will be a grand naval and pyrotechnical display, closing with the most magnificent fire-works spectacle, entitled "Perry's Victory," ever seen in America. There will also be campfires at the rink, at the exposition buildings and at the Central M. E. Church.

Thursday, August 6.—10:30 a. m., adjourned session of the twenty-fifth annual encampment of the G. A. R. at the rink; 10:30 a. m., adjourned annual convention of the Women's Relief Corps at the Church of Our Father. All day regimental and brigade reunions. In the evening there will be a banquet at the rink to the officers and delegates to the national encampment. There will be camp fires at camp Sherman and at the churches.

Friday, August 7.—Riding about the city, excursions to various river and lake resorts, etc., at will.

Invitations to the war governors, ex-presidents of the United States, to the President and his cabinet, to the general in command of the United States army, and to all noted living generals of the union army, have been extended and in most cases have been accepted. The decoration of the city during the reunion will be something remarkable, both in extent and quality, as all the citizens have gone into the affair with a spontaneity and patriotic fervor unexcelled, as though to make the silver encampment the banner event in the history of the G. A. R.

The New County of Dickinson.

LANSING, July 27.—The act authorizing the organization of Dickinson county, passed by the last legislature, was drawn with the purpose of having it given immediate effect, but this important action was neglected, and it has been discovered that under it the governor is directed to appoint the county officers in the month of August, but the act does not become operative until September 30, ninety days after the close of the session. The question arises, what is the proper action to be taken by the governor? Of course he cannot make the appointments as directed in the act itself until it goes into effect. The governor is absent from the city, and his purpose cannot therefore be learned, but it is presumed that he will take the view that the organization presents the situation of a county with vacancies in all the offices, and proceed to fill them under the statutes which will be authorized to give the official notice that the vacancies exist. It is a very peculiar case and will probably require an opinion of the attorney-general upon which to base executive action.

The Deadly Gasoline Stove.

ANN ARBOR, July 29.—Mary Blair, of Northfield, is a domestic in the family of Charles W. Vogel of this place. On Friday night last the girl started to light the gasoline stove and the gasoline ran over and caught fire. In an instant the clothes of the girl and her mistress were in flames and they ran out doors screaming. Mr. Vogel went to their assistance and was badly burned about his hands. The women were burned from head to foot and strips of flesh came off when their clothes were removed. Mrs. Vogel died the same night and the girl lies in a precarious condition.

South Haven's Loss.

SOUTH HAVEN, July 29.—Fire broke out in the oil room of Zeedyke's grocery at this place Sunday morning and burned until 20 buildings, representing $85,000, were reduced to ashes. Less than a year ago South Haven had a serious fire, but neglected to take warning by it to provide proper protection. The fire is supposed to have started from spontaneous combustion. A move will be started immediately to get fire protection in the shape of water works or engines.

Taken Home a Corpse

IONIA, July 27.—On Friday afternoon as several boys were bathing in Grand river one of them, a son of ex-Mayor M. H. Steele, aged about eleven years, was drowned. Two physicians worked over the little fellow for one hour, but he was too far gone, and he was taken home to his grief-stricken mother a corpse.

AROUND THE STATE.

Sheriff Hancock, of Muskegon county, is very ill.

The latest estimate of the losses by fire in the Republic mill is $10,000.

The new Arbeiter society hall in Bay City will be formally dedicated July 30.

A fall of earth in the Chapin mine at Iron Mountain killed Thomas Barratoni.

It is estimated that 13,000 persons were present at the Bay View exercises Sunday.

John Barton, a 16 year old Detroit boy, was drowned while bathing at Walpole Island last week.

West Bay City is to have a new opera house and music hall, the plans having been already prepared for it.

The directors of the Quincy Mining Company, have declared a dividend of $5 per share, payable Aug. 11.

Thos. O'Brien, who murdered Alfred Brownell at Detroit last winter, has been sentenced to imprisonment for life.

Bay City has an offer to build the proposed railroad from that town to Port Huron for $50,000 and the right of way.

The weather bureau says the crops need warm rains and do not need the wintry weather that has fallen the past few days.

Thomas Rodgers, one of the first settlers of Port Austin, if not one of the first in Huron county, died Tuesday, aged 79 years.

Herbert Rendall, of Deckerville, fell from a barn loft on Aug. 22 last, and suffered internal injuries which terminated fatally.

Charles Havenegger and John Hardman were killed by an engine in the Burlington & Missouri Railroad roundhouse at Plattsmouth, Neb.

At East Tawas, on Thursday, Mrs. John Cody, jr., died while in the throes of heart disease. Her husband is a sailor on the large Antelope.

The local Butchers' & Drivers' Association, of Evansville, Ind., has driven Nelson Morris & Co., the great Chicago meat dealers, from that field.

Mrs. C. F. Mansfield, a sister-in-law of Senator Stockbridge, died in Asbury, N. C., last week. She was buried in Plainwell, her former home.

—B. B. Austin went to bed in a Manistee boarding house the other night with $468 under his pillow. He awoke next morning to find the money missing.

Edward Sharp, a Bay City man aged about 58 years, was killed while unloading logs from a river car Thursday by falling and striking his neck on a log.

William E. Fitzgerald, the Detroiter who killed Officer Fried at Youngstown, O., last April, has been sentenced to 40 years in the penitentiary.

Sixteen head of cattle, belonging to Jefferson Davis, residing in Ionia township, Branch county, Saturday, by some villain sprinkling Paris green on the grass.

Henry Rosner, aged 15, while walking under the trainway at Laderach's sawmill, in West Bay City, Thursday afternoon, was struck by a falling plank and fatally injured.

William A. Palmer, of Hartford, and Louis Wagner, of Lawrence, have been fined $100 and costs for the first, and higher costs, justice for selling liquor without a license.

The conspiracy cases growing out of the great street railway strike at Grand Rapids, came up for investigation last week, when seven of the alleged conspirators were discharged.

Parker Powell, who acquired a reputation as a detective while from home, before his mind gave way, escaped from the asylum for criminal insane at Ionia yesterday, claiming to be Jesse James.

A. W. Sprague, of the sold-out home board, took control of the soldiers' home at Grand Rapids Monday and will be assisted by the board appointed May 2, W. Long, executive clerk of the place.

The property stock of F. Tower, of Ionia, was levied on by Detroit, Grand Rapids and Western creditors Saturday, and the place closed. He is about $1,500 in debt, and the stock will inventory just about that amount.

Capt. W. E. Stewart, of South Haven, desires all comrades of the Twelfth Michigan, intending to attend the Detroit encampment, to send their addresses to Capt. Stewart, South Haven, at Pewamo, or Sergt. Joe Huff, Alma.

The funeral of L. D. Newcomb, formerly a well known president of Wayne county, occurred at Detroit Monday. His mind went short time ago and was placed in the Kalamazoo asylum from which place he escaped and wandered to Detroit.

Mrs. Robert Richardson, of Newaygo, was returning from Ohio with a sick child Tuesday and making all haste to get the child home, when she died in her car in Ionia on the Grand Rapids railroad station while she was waiting for a train.

The Battle Creek's had from three company has imported a lot of laborers to work in the places of the striking carriage and is taking care of them at the works. A lot of police are employed to prevent the strikers doing violence to property.

The large wheat and oat crop ever raised in Bay county is that of this year. Millers say that the yield of 1890 will be equal to that of 1889. On the low lands, while in the lowlands it is a thrifty crop, running to three tons to the acre.

The state lodge of the Sons of St. George, held at Bay City, elected officers for the ensuing year: Grand president, E. Kinnings, Hancock; vice president, W. Andrews, Saginaw; secretary, W. Catlin, Port Huron; treasurer, James Cruse, Bay City.

Lucas Harmson, a well to do farmer in the township of Overisel, about six miles southeast of Holland, committed suicide by shooting last week. He was a Hollander, aged 55, and leaves a wife and nine children. No cause is given for the deed.

The Marshall cycle company closed its doors Tuesday by a mortgage to the First national bank for $5,000. The works will not be reopened unless the bank can find some money company to run the concern. About 50 men are thrown out of work.

Brown, McCulloch & Co., of Philadelphia, have filed a bill in chancery at Grand Rapids, virtually against the Parlor furniture company, of Grand Rapids, for a claim of $25,000. The firm claims the company are said to be in a bad way, mortgages of $20,000 having been filed.

The home of Mark Brewer, at Leonidas, St. Joseph county, was burned to foot and, during the absence of the family. Owing to the fact that there was no fire in the house the blaze is supposed to have been the work of incendiary tramps who were refused lodging and shelter a few days ago. Loss $1,600, partly insured.

William Green and Frank Laman went fishing on the Grand river, near Grand Rapids Sunday, taking a case of beer along to furnish amusement. They drank the beer and capsized the boat in attempting to change seats. Lamanreached the shore in safety, but Green was drowned.

Seymour Aiken, of Madison, Lenawee county, and Benjamin Berdg of Blissfield, swapped horses and then began to fight. Pitcher got the worksof Berdg and made a complaint against Aiken for assault and battery. No great bodily harm, less than murder. Aiken was in jail, but has been released on $500 bail.

Out of the original 28 labor men of Grand Rapids arrested on a charge of conspiracy, in connection with the late street car strike, 20 have already been discharged, and it is probable that no more than a half dozen will be called upon to face a trial. The foreign capital company is having hard sledding work with its case.

Baldwin, the county seat of Lake, is about as tough a place as there is in the southern portion of the state. In addition to looking like a Kansas town it actually has a stockade and other relics of barbarism. Wednesday a traveling man named Arnold was shot in the back twice by Charles Hassell and seriously injured. Robbery was the motive.

Little James Matthews, four year old son of Alexander Matthews, of Canton, grabbed the rope of a hay carrier, while in operation at the barn of Sylvester Clark, in Plymouth Wednesday afternoon, and had his right hand drawn into a pulley and so badly lacerated that he was taken to Plymouth, where Dr. Kimball amputated two fingers and dressed the injured hand.

Lake Linden lost 12 buildings by fire during the past 12 months; just one a month. The loss was about $100,000, and is most of it due to the fact that the town does not own a fire engine.

William McDonald, of Pontiac, has put in his time the last three months installing little girls' about the school houses and on the street. Marshal Mattison got after him Tuesday. The fellow drew a knife and was going to stab Mattison when the marshal got the drop on him with a revolver and threatened to fill him with lead if that knife did not fall. The knife fell and McDonald was locked up. He has been bound over to the circuit court for trial.

A BAD MAN'S END.

Dan Dunn of Seney Shot Dead by a Brother of John Harcourt Whom he Killed About a Month Ago.

A Saloon at Trout Lake the Scene of the Murder Herein Described —The Sheriff Was Present.

Harcourt Was Under Arrest and on His Way to Jail When the Deed Was Committed.

TROUT LAKE, July 29.—Dan Dunn is dead. The vilest resort keeper in Seney has paid the penalty of his crime and there is not a man mourns his death. It will be remembered that about a month ago Dunn, who was then keeper of the same resort in the upper peninsula, and has always escaped punishment for his crimes, had his brains shot and killed by John Harcourt without any just provocation. Since that time it has been apparent that Dunn would escape, and Harcourt's three brothers, among them a deputy sheriff, would kill Dunn on sight. When Dunn heard of their threats he was afraid and swore out a warrant for the life of Sheriff Heffron arrested them Saturday and started for jail with them. At his place Dunn had a bar and had left the prisoners into Jack Nevin's saloon. Dunn happened to be standing there and when the prisoners were marching out he conversed with Frank Peters, with his back to the door. Without a word James Harcourt drew his Colt's and fired a large caliber ball and before any one could stop him had emptied all five chambers into Dunn's body. Dunn died almost immediately, and Heffron released the other two brothers and started for the jail with James Harcourt in custody charged with murder.

He Wasn't Reformed.

JACKSON, July 29.—Robert McDonald on Monday finished a term of two years in the prison, but did not leave it for good liberty. He was sent here two years ago from Ogemaw county for rape and released that morning. In the afternoon he went to the south side of the city and enticed a six-year-old girl into an outhouse, where he attempted to outrage her. Officers saw them enter the building and notified her mother, who with a grown-up daughter broke into the out building. McDonald skipped, but a man named Butler overtook him after a run of about half a mile. He was held till an officer could arrive and then locked up.

Consolidated Smelting Works.

HOLLISTON, July 27.—Articles of association of the Lake Superior Smelting Company, which is the consolidation of the Tamarack Osceola Smelting Works and Detroit Lake Superior Company, were filed with the county clerk here last week. The capital stock is $1,200,000, in 48,000 shares of $25 each. The business office will be at Boston. The Houghton county office is at Hancock.

Stabbed at a Wedding.

MARQUETTE, July 29.—There was a Finnish wedding at Negaunee Sunday night which broke up in the usual fight. A Finn named Jesse Jesse stabbed three times and will die. Seven Finns who were present are under arrest, but all profess most profound ignorance of the stabbing.

G. A. R. Encampment Notes.

Secretary Curtis, of the Iron Brigade, has issued rate for reunions of that brigade and of the Twenty-fourth Michigan during the encampment.

Charles T. Foster post, of Lansing, Mich., has decided to take tents, blankets, tableware, cooking utensils, cooked meats, provisions and other equipage for their convenience and comfort during the encampment. They will pitch their tents in Walkerville.

Seven copies to headquarters from Texas that the Grand Army of the Republic were feeling blue because of the high rates out of that state are brightening up over the prospects of a rate war between the roads. The first out has been made from $12.60 to $28.20, and it is likely to be followed by another soon.

The Michigan commandery of the Loyal Legion has sent out invitations to its fellow commanderies throughout the union who contemplate visiting Detroit during the encampment to make the headquarters of the commandery their headquarters during their stay in Detroit. Commander-in-Chief R. B. Hayes is expected to be present and many other celebrities.

Preparations for the big banquet have been completed so far as the commandery is concerned, and a contract signed with Caterer Swan. The bill of fare will be: Soup—Bouillon, sherry. Fish—Planked Detroit river whitefish, frogs' legs, tomato sauce. Relishes—Olives, radishes, salted almonds. Roast—Spring lamb. Salad—Parisienne potatoes, cold boned turkey, ham, tongue and chicken; celery. Salads—Chicken and lobster; chicken, hard boiled eggs, lettuce, mayonnaise. Ices—Assorted cakes, ice cream, assorted fruits, Rochefort cheese and coffee. The tableware which the guests and speakers will use will be placed on a table on the north side of the rink, and two other tables that will stretch the entire length of the rink will run parallel with the south side. Plates will be laid for 1,000 and four cooks from the Chicago Auditorium will help Tom Swan prepare eatables.

A Gladstonian Victory.

LONDON, July 27.—The election held in the Swinton division of Lanarkshire for a member of parliament to fill the seat in the house of commons made vacant by the death of Sir Lyon Playfair, by reason of ill health, of Capt. Charles William Seiwyn, conservative, resulted in a most pronounced victory for the liberal party. In a total poll of 7,698 votes, Mr. Arthur Brand, Gladstone-liberal, was elected by a majority of 260, he receiving 3,979 votes to Captain Seiwyn's 3,719 votes for the conservative opponent, Mr. Surr Duncan. In the preceding election in the Wishbech division of Cambridgeshire, the seat, which Capt. Seiwyn, conservative, received 4,109, and John Rigby, Q. C., Gladstone-liberal, 3,082—a conservative majority of 1,027.

Double Execution in France.

PARIS, July 29.—The execution of young Pelletier and Mere, two accomplices of Mere Berland in what is known as the Courbevoie murder, took place Monday morning at the Place de la Roquette. Berland waiked calmly to the guillotine but a desperate struggle took place on the scaffold before the executioners succeeded in forcing the criminal down upon the bascule, and from there said his head under the knife. There did not make any impression on the line of the crowd. Pelletier was dead, of which Capt. Seiwyn, conservative, received 4,109, and John Rigby, Q. C., Gladstone-liberal, 3,082—a conservative majority of 1,027.

Big Fire in Texas.

DALLAS, Tex., July 29.—A fire broke out in J. B. Cowan & Co's big liquor house on Commerce street shortly after 12 o'clock Saturday night and spread rapidly to the Bentrose school furniture company's, the Brewers' storage company's warehouse, and Cowan & Co's cotton gin. Five hundred bales of cotton in the gin were destroyed. Rough estimates of the loss place it at about $2,000,000.

The Farmers' Alliance advises farmers to hold back on their wheat until the price is something like its real value.

Congressman James A. Gorman addressed 2,000 people at the first annual picnic of the Church of the Sacred Heart at Mallory Lake, Hudson, on Thursday.

A Murderous Servant.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 29.—At South Portsmouth Saturday Capt. John Killen, an old southern man, was shot and killed by a negro servant who he reproved that it is thought he will die. The negro was taken to Greenupsburg, but will hardly escape lynching if Killen dies. At Paducah Jesse Brown has been convicted of killing John Larry last January and sentenced to hang January 16.

Bud Berry, of Ripley, O., was shot and killed by Wm. Garrett Tuesday. Jealousy about a woman was the cause of the affair.

TALL SKELETONS.

Remains of Prehistoric Giants Unearthed Near Chautauqua.

CHATTAUQUA, July 29.—In grading for an electric railroad to connect Lakewood with Jamestown Saturday, laborers plowed up near Lakewood the bones of a man and woman of remarkable size. Local historians claim that they are the remains of a prehistoric race. Whatever the facts may be, the affair has caused much excitement in this section of the country. The theory for the skeleton giants. One newspaper man here brought home the femur and skull of the man in a flour sack, and has them on exhibition at Chautauqua. The current belief is that they were white potters who fled to the Prairie and Indian wars. A very curious and suggestive thing about the find was that the lower jaw of the man was intact while that of the woman was entirely gone, showing that womankind was much the same in prehistoric times as now.

Murder in Pennsylvania.

HAZELTON, PA., July 27.—Mrs. Garoyer went huckleberrying Wednesday morning and left her 15-year-old daughter at home to mind the baby. When she returned early in the afternoon she found the door of her house locked. Her suspicions aroused she broke the door open and was horrified to find her daughter dead upon the floor in a pool of blood. Her throat cut from ear to ear and a large carving knife stuck in her head. Her clothing was torn in numerous places and at first it was supposed that the girl had been assaulted and raped and being unable to overcome the girl had cut her throat. It was soon discovered, however, that the box containing the valuings of the family had been rifled of its contents, and the theory now is that the murderer was discovered in the act and to screen himself added murder to the theft. No clue.

Protesting Against Immigration.

LONDON, July 29.—At a crowded meeting held in this city, at which the bishop of Bedford presided, resolutions were adopted protesting against the continuous influx of destitute aliens into England, and demanding that the government take such measures as will prevent the entrance into the country of such undesirable persons. The resolutions were supported by a number of members of the house of commons who were present, including Messrs. Lowther, Sydney Charles Buxton, Jesse Y. Morgan, R. G. Webster, William M. McArthur, Arnold White and Benjamin Millett.

The Grand Trunk and C. P. R.

MONTREAL, July 27.—A London cable announces the arrival in that city of Presidents Van Horne, of the Canadian Pacific railroad, it states that the object of Van Horne's visit is to arrange for the pooling of receipts of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific, the former railroad to run under the Canadian Pacific control.

BRIEFLY TOLD.

Portugal has shipped over $25,000,000 to England within a week.

John I. Blair, of New Jersey, the great railroad man, is ill at Kansas City, Mo.

Rev. P. T. Williams, of Heber, Ark., was shot and killed from Ambush Tuesday night.

Over 20 buildings, stores and dwellings burned at Newport News, Va., Saturday. Loss, $50,000.

After a continuous sleep of 109 hours, a boy named Jesse L. Streit woke in Seymour, Ind., Monday.

William W. Weeden, the inventor of the Waterbury watch, died at New Bedford, Mass., Saturday.

T. B. Reed, ex-speaker of the United States house of representatives, is on his way home from London.

A portion of the Central chandelier company's building, Toledo, collapsed Monday. Loss, $15,000; insurance, $40,000.

Annie Brenneman, aged 22 years, was instantly killed by lightning at East Berlin, Pa., Saturday while lowering a windlass.

The jumping horse Sourier broke his neck while attempting a hedge at Chicago Sunday. Jockey Stewart was seriously hurt.

Matron Henks, in charge of a children's orphan asylum in Kansas City, Mo., is accused of neglecting and starving the little ones.

Charles O. C. Hennessy, city editor of the New York Daily News, has been indicted for publishing an account of the election.

J. A. Vail, assistant bookkeeper of the West Park window glass Works, of Findlay, O., has disappeared with $1,000 of the company's money.

The body of Rev. J. N. Wright, of Indianapolis, was found floating in a canal Saturday. It is supposed he committed suicide Wednesday.

The retiring American minister to Persia, Mr. Pratt, expects to obtain a complete exhibit of Persian art and industrial products for the Chicago fair.

The orangeman, while attempting to address 25,000 Young Britons in Brooklyn park Sunday, was arrested. The crowd unsuccessfully attempted to rescue the prisoner.

Mrs. Favis and Mrs. McCaffrey, of Pittsburg, gave their infants carbolic acid Monday night, mistaking it for cough medicine. The children died in pain and the other is not expected to live.

About 600 destitute Jews arrived at Hamburg. The English consul there has published a notice warning them of the futility of going to Great Britain with the expectation of getting work.

Hon. Paul Dillingham, of Waterbury, Vt., died Monday morning. He would have been 92 years old next August. He was a member of congress in 1844, and was governor of Vermont from 1865 to 1867.

A dispatch from Bay of Islands, N. F., says that the commander of H. M. S. Pelican has compelled the lobster factories there to cease operations. The men are destitute. The French factories are not interfered with.

While a dance wasin progress at Garden, Fla., Tuesday night, an old quarrel was revived, and a young man named Puth shot and killed Willie Dowling, fatally wounded Joseph Dowling, the latter's father, and a boy named Varnes.

A statement prepared by the treasury department shows that the receipts from customs at the port of New York during the first twenty days of the present month were $6,759,457, or $3,285,551 less than the receipts at the same port during the corresponding period of last year.

While the cashier of the Werner printing and lithographing company at Akron, O., was making up the pay roll, Saturday Otto Schoendorf, aged 19, an employe, called him to the telephone. When the cashier returned Schoendorf had disappeared with $2,000. Two confederates were waiting outside with a team.

Asa Williams, of Deerfield, went out to salt his cattle Sunday and took his gun and family along. He wanted the gun to shoot a bluejay and get feathers for the children's hats. He shot a jay and reloaded his gun. No one knew how the accident occurred, but the gun went off, killing his 12 year old girl instantly and badly hurting a younger child.

Some interesting figures are gleaned from the census report just issued. The increase in the state amounts to 27 per cent, or in round numbers 400,000. Alger, Schoolcraft, Arenac, Gogebic, Iron and Luce counties were organized since the last census. The largest gain in actual population rounds up around Detroit, Saginaw, Grand Rapids and Muskegon, while Chippewa, Gratiot, Ottawa, Gladwin, Iosco, Lake, Mackinac, Menominee, Missaukee, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Otsego counties show over 100 per cent increase in population.

A compressing machine at the Ivanhoe paper mill at Paterson, N. J., crushed Lawrence Saber to death Saturday.

MISSIONARY HARDSHIPS.

The Chinese Waging War Against the Missionaries Trying to Convert Them to Christianity.

Churches, Orphanages and Priests' Residences Pillaged and Burned Down by the Heathen.

A Piratical Crew Attacks a Junk Containing Three Merchants and a Number of Passengers.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 29.—Advices just received from China give particulars of fresh depredations by the Chinese against the missionaries. The latest attack was made at Yunkao, on June 29, when the Catholic mission was methodically looted, the crowd passing things from hand to hand in a chain. The buildings were afterwards set on fire. A few days previous four chapels were destroyed in Kiangsi, near the city of Kiangsi, the chapel, school and residence of the priest were looted and burned on June 26. On the same day premises belonging to Protestants were completely destroyed a French orphanage at a place called Haimen. In addition to the destruction of the property, eight or nine wretched little children, cared for in the building, were carried off. A correspondent writes to the China Gazette that there is a rumor in Canton that a disturbance has taken place in Fukien province. It is stated that the rebels are several thousand strong and have captured a city. The intelligent Chinese, he adds, think it will be difficult for foreigners in Canton to escape. A junk containing three women, chants, a crew of seven and nine passengers, was attacked shortly after dusk by the junks containing armed men on June 15, off the port of Kingho. The assault was resisted by those on board and a fierce battle raged for half an hour, in which two of the passengers were killed, two were shot and three were stabbed so seriously that they died within a few minutes. The remainder of those on board, seeing no other chance for escape, jumped overboard and after swimming some distance were rescued by a fishing boat. The pirates seized the junk and sailed off with her. The steamer Mariusa while on a voyage from Hongkong to Vladivostock was wrecked on the Paracels on June 11.

Killed by a Horse.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 29.—George Ross was sent out by his employer Saturday to deliver a horse from the yard adjoining the residence. When he attempted to ride the horse it rushed at him and bit him in the forehead and cheek. Ross started to run across the yard, but the horse pursuing him knocked him down and attempted to trample on him. Ross succeeded again in getting out of the yard and jumping to his feet tried to escape. The horse, however, pursued him and biting at his shoulder tore a large piece of flesh from it. The man screamed in agony and the attention of a Negro who was passing was attracted. He instantly jumped the fence, and, picking up a piece of rail, started toward the man and beat on a drum. Before he could reach them the horse had released Ross to the ground and this time struck him on the head with his hoof, instantly killing the unfortunate negro. Ross, who had fainted on the spot, had tripped over the rail and fell to the ground, striking his head on a stone and being rendered unconscious. He was given attention to the Negro, who, after the infuriated beast had been shot, was brought to uninjured.

Hanged for Murder.

ATLANTA, GA., July 27.—Charles M. Orburn, who murdered James M. Bradley in his city on Feb. 14, last, was hanged here at 12:40 Friday. His neck was broken by the fall. The execution took place in the county jail before forty witnesses. Orburn was a commission merchant of this city. He stood well and was highly connected. He had a dispute with Bradley about a barrel of potatoes which had sold him and on which Bradley claimed there was fifty. Four cents overcharges. Orburn went to Bradley's store and shot him down. Desperate efforts were made to prevent the execution. An appeal was made to the Legislature the day before the execution.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.	
CATTLE—Good to choice...	$4 75 @ $5 25
Common to fair...	3 00 @ 3 50
SHEEP...	4 25 @ 5 00
LAMBS...	5 50 @ 6 00
WHEAT—Red spot No. 2...	92 @ 92
Red spot No. 3...	1 00 @ 1 00
Amber spot No. 3...	92 @ 92
CORN—No. 2 spot...	47 @ 47
No. 2 yellow...	47 @ 47
OATS—No. 2 white, spot...	35 @ 35
CLOVER SEED...	3 85 @ 4 10
BEANS...	1 40 @ 1 45
RYE...	47 @ 48
HAY—No. 2 per ton...	9 50 @ 10 00
Choice timothy...	9 50 @ 10 00
POTATOES—Per bu...	1 00 @ 1 25
BUTTER—Creamery, per lb...	13 @ 19
City dairy...	12 @ 16
Eggs—Per doz...	15 @ 16
Chicago.	
CATTLE—Common...	$5 75 @ $6 00
Stockers—Native...	4 50 @ 5 25
SHEEP—Native...	5 00 @ 5 75
HOGS—Common...	4 50 @ 5 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red...	87 @ 87
No. 2 spring...	87 @ 87
CORN—No. 2...	47 @ 47
OATS—No. 2...	35 @ 35
RYE...	60 @ 60
BARLEY...	1 00 @ 1 00
Mess Pork...	11 50 @ 11 60
Lard...	6 50 @ 6 70
New York.	
CATTLE—Natives...	$5 70 @ $6 00
Texans...	3 00 @ 3 75
SHEEP—Good to choice...	4 40 @ 5 15
LAMBS...	5 25 @ 7 00
HOGS—No. 2 red...	7 50 @ 7 60
CORN—No. 2...	57 @ 57
OATS...	41 @ 41
Kansas City.	
CATTLE—Steers...	$4 70 @ $6 00
HOGS—All grades...	4 50 @ 5 15
SHEEP...	4 50 @ 7 00
LAMBS...	5 50 @ 5 75
Buffalo.	
CATTLE...	$5 25 @ $5 80
SHEEP...	4 50 @ 5 50
SHEEP—Good to choice...	4 65 @ 5 25
LAMBS...	5 75 @ 6 00

Dun's Trade Review.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade for week ending July 25, says: Business improves but is the business situation still noted. There is more actual buying than for some weeks past, and more general confidence as to the future. But the monetary situation does not grow clearer, and it is probably the cause of a springing up which threatens to make speculation the chief business of the hour large. Distribution of circulars in every one number from Minneapolis and Washington, presents the idea of a syndicate advising all farmers to hold their wheat and not sell at present prices, but stimulates speculators to buy largely in expectation of a boom and much money has already been thrown into the hands of speculating stocks. With the utmost freedom from any serious apprehension of Europe of the $70,000,000 gold shipment this year would be difficult, but the wheat exports cleared the way so easily that no money would be felt in all markets and all kinds of business. The wheat crop prospects stimulate everywhere. Chicago reports wheat receipts five times last year's, an increase of 20 to 50 per cents in dressed beef, hides and butter, but some decrease in cured meats and lard. Pretty large business occurring throughout the country during the last seven days dame 254, as compared with 225 last week and 207 for the corresponding week of last year the figures were 199.

Prof. Love, an aeronaut, dropped 1,000 feet from a balloon at Indianapolis Wednesday. The parachute failed to open and had it not been for some tree branches which broke his fall he must have been crushed to death. As it was he was nearly stunned.

The Wotmore, one of the new whaleback steamships, arrived at Liverpool, Eng., the other day with a load of 95,000 bushels of wheat in unbroken bulk from Chicago. This is the first time such an cargo has been ever accomplished. It saves elevator charges at Buffalo, canal or railroad freights to the seaboard and the heavy terminal charges there.

REAL ESTATE AGENCY OF

Whitehead & Mitchell

Birmingham, Mich.

Below we offer some fine bargains in real estate in this village, the most beautiful suburb of Detroit. Anyone having an interest in Oakland county, should keep this column in view, as it will be filled with bargains in this county. Those who contemplate a change of residence, should remember that will make their business in this department a specialty. We have a large house and lot for sale on Adelaide street, which we will exchange for a farm, or will take contracts to this effect and will always do our utmost to make a sale and benefit our patrons.

Bargain No. 12.

Farm in Bloomfield, consisting of 100 acres 4 miles south of Pontiac and 3½ miles northwest of Birmingham, 60 acres of which are cleared land, two orchards, small fruits, etc. Good house, barn, 40 acres of timber, well fenced. The land is excellent for raising all kinds of grain, and is well adapted for a stock farm. You to see this farm. Price $4,500; one half down balance on long time if desired.

BARGAIN NO. 8.

The Short Farm in the township of Avon, miles from Pontiac, 3½ from Rochester, on good road, 80 acres, 40 acres cleared, good house, buildings, two orchards, two barns, 130 acres, highland, 7 miles to Orion and Metta coal.

Bargain No. 17.

Owing to circumstances Mrs. Edwin baldwin must sell her pony, eight or nine years old, reasonable terms her very desirable home on the Avenue. Lot 100 feet front, consisting of about one acre of land, good large house, barn with stable for two horses, cow, fine running water in the house, good cistern and all in convenient shape for comfort.

Bargain No. 18.

Here's a chance to get nice building lots, such as we never expected to see in market. We have the Sam Jones property, formerly Henry James six valuable lots formerly owned by the late Sam J. Jones, whose property consists of one entire block. Now six of these lots are for sale, 50 feet front by 150 deep, price $300 each, and two fronting on Merrill street at $400. Only one lot left on Lincoln. Here's a chance. Get a lot before they are gone.

Bargain No. 29.

We wish to call your attention to a most desirable bargain in real estate, which we are now offering, which means terms at a price so low that any one can see the possibility at a glance.

MAKE MONEY.

The property is known as the "Wilde Farm," it just on the outskirts of the village, has a frontage on the Avenue of 300 feet, side of Adelaide avenue and about 40 rods on Cemetery avenue. Any one can be platted to great advantage and make desirable lots. With the water works in the village, the Detroit, Lansing & Northern railway in the village in the new future, and in view of the rapid growth of the village, we think it worthy of the consideration of speculators. Any further information will be che