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NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE PENINSULAR STATE.

Condensed Items of Interest Gathered from all Portions of the Commonwealth Known as the Wolverine State — Michigan, My Michigan.

Michigan Circuit Judges Meet.

The third annual meeting of the Michigan Circuit Judges' association was held at Grand Rapids, with about 30 judges in attendance. The annual address, President W. E. Grove, made several suggestions as to what the courts wanted in the way of new or different laws—court criers appointed by the bench instead of by the sheriff; amending ex-parte divorce laws to give better protection to minor children; to abolish the difference between law and equity and adopt the code system. Judge Fred Adolph, of Cadillac, read a paper on "The Right of the People in Criminal Cases." He commended the Cadillac supreme court for deciding cases on the substance rather than on technicalities and urged that what is true in the regular but the sentence void, instead of discharging the prisoner entirely, he should be remanded to the trial judge for re-sentence. Judge J. H. Mc-Mahon, in his paper on "The Personal Factor in the Case," held that the must be a philosopher, a man of tact, judgment, honesty, strong character and purpose, as well as a man of law and learning. Judge J. W. Donovat, of Detroit, furnished a paper, which urged other changes and recommendations by the court. Judge R. L. Corbitt, of Traverse City, roasted the present system of jury trials being far behind the times and said that a change was demanded to require a jury, than any other, a verdict on judgement without bias on the evidence advanced, instead of absolute ignorance of the case. In this thing, Judge Turlingame, of Grand Rapids, opposed the large number of peremptory challenges in civil cases and favored choosing jurors for a year. Judge Person, of Lansing, thought an intelligent force of jurors by reading impression was better than an ignorant man who does not read the papers. Judge Kinne, of Bay City, held that the present tax system is full of defects and is productive of dishonesty, favored court reporters, thought that the supervisors system should be abolished and the assessment roll to be made under state supervision. Judge R. Babcll, of St. Johns, urged a restriction of the number of appeals of minor civil cases. Judge Fred Adolph, president Grove on the "Status of the Bench and Bar to Our American Civilization," was philosophical and interesting. The prominent part of lawyers in the affairs of the nation from earliest colonial days to the present day. Splendid papers were those of Judge Rollin H. Person of Lansing, "How Far is the Trial Judge Responsible for Bad Verdicts," and of Dean H. H. Hutchins, of the U. of M., law department, "Separation of the Bar Considered from a Professional Point of View."

The election of officers resulted: President, S. R. Daboll, of St. Johns; vice president, J. H. Palmer, of Big Rapids; secretary and treasurer, Fred H. Aldrich, of Cadillac. A banquet was the concluding feature of the convention.

Stockholders Liabilities for Debts.

Stockholders in corporations will be interested in a Michigan Supreme court decision given in the case of Ralph Camp vs. Peter Winternute, Campgo judgment against the Peter Winternute Kelly Manufacturing Co. for work done but the judgment was returned unsatisfied. He then sued Winternute, one of the stockholders, and got judgment in a justice's court. The circuit court reversed it. The supreme court also sustained the opinion of the lower court. It was conceded that stockholders are liable for what is due when a contracted, but are not when they enter into it after the debt is contracted. Winternute was a stockholder when Camp did the work.

Men of the Grip.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Michigan Commercial Travelers' association convened at Detroit. They now have 5,065 members. The year's receipts were $35,553.90; disbursements $11,365.17. Officers elected were: J. F. Cooper, of Detroit, president; C. H. Silberman, of Detroit, first vice president; George J. Heinzelman, of Grand Rapids, second vice; H. E. Brown, of Jackson, third vice; A. A. Bassett, of Ypsilanti, fourth vice; R. W. Ballentine of Petoskey, fifth vice. The members of the association, with their wives and daughters, participated in a banquet as the finish of their convention.

Youths' Fatal Quarrel at Saginaw.

Fred Tredwell, aged 18, and Chas. Northrup, aged 17, employed on the farm of Wm. Thompson near Saginaw, had a quarrel. Northrup fired at Tredwell with a shotgun, the charge taking effect in the abdomen, producing a fatal wound. Mr. Thompson had left the city for the day, leaving the boys in charge of Northrup. Against the latter's orders Tredwell took the gun, but the latter overhauled him and a quarrel followed, but Northrup said he did not shoot until Tredwell attacked him with an ax.

Heavy Loss by Fire at Charlotte.

A most disastrous fire occurred at Charlotte. It started in the Warren Block, and quickly spread to the Johnson block, and the interior of both buildings was ruined. Following are the losses: Donovan & Packard, stock, $10,000; C. Johnson, stock, damaged about $1,000; L. G. Warren, building damaged about $3,000; Mrs. Reed, stock, $1,500; H. H. Gage, drugs, about $1,000; Mrs. Jennie Bromley, stock, $800; Donovan & Packard burned out; they had a loss of a day.

Wife Murderer Gets 25 Years.

Frank Forbes, the actor who killed his wife was sentenced at Charlotte, to hard labor at Jackson for 25 years. Forbes asked the judge to consider and make it 25 years more. The murderer was evidently surprised at the sentence, but composed himself and smiling. He chatted pleasantly with the deputy sheriffs and expressed his hatred again for the sheriff and the prosecutor, whom he has repeatedly threatened to kill when he regains his freedom. Forbes killed his wife while in a drunken frenzy.

Two Port Huron Policemen Resign.

Ross and Collins, were found guilty of misdemeanors and fined $100, which

The board of supervisors of Shiawassee county, by a unanimous vote, decided to submit the question of local option to the electors on Feb. 16.

Peter H. Peterson, ex-assessor of school district No. 4, Manistee township, Manistee county, was charged with embezzling $500 school funds.

A cutting boy fell from a wagon upon J. G. Hitchcock, aged 20, at Bass City, crushing his head and causing internal injuries. He cannot recover.

The Whiters of the Birch.

The forty-fifth annual meeting of the Michigan State Teachers' association was held at Lansing with the largest attendance in years. President Edwin C. Thompson, of Saginaw, delivered an address principally on "Unity in method and matter of school life, teaching and equipment. The addresses and various papers presented during the three days' session were able and instructive. The election of officers was as follows: President, Charles O. Hoyt, of Lansing; first vice president, E. L. Briggs, of Coldwater; second vice president, John R. Shearer, of Bay City; corresponding secretary, J. D. Schiller, of Niles; railroad secretary, A. W. Keeney; treasurer, H. G. Blodgett, of Ludington.

MICHIGAN NEWS.

Berrien county Democrats want a paper.

St. Louis has organized a company to help keep it dry.

Theodore A. Johnson was killed by an angry bull near Alma.

Jessie Lawler, aged 16, was drowned in the mill race at Manistique.

Three mild lunatics have escaped from the New Jerusalem asylum.

Fred Miller, of Sunfield, has been arrested for violating the local option law.

W. H. Allen, a farmer living east of Stockbridge, was fatally injured in a runaway.

There is a project on foot to connect Hillman with Lewiston and Alpena by railroad.

Mrs. Rachael Munday, aged 75, fell down stairs at Saginaw and died from her injuries.

The old high school at Allegan was destroyed by fire. Loss, $6,000; insured for $3,000.

Charlevoix has granted a franchise for an electric street railway to be built next spring.

Grand Rapids has decided to buy 20 acres of land costing $40,000, for a site for a public market.

South Haven fruit growers will organize to secure better markets and prices for their fruits.

Burglars made a clean sweep at Jasper postoffice, stealing letters, stamps and all the supplies.

Frank Zank, a laborer at Grand Rapids became despondent over family troubles and took a fatal dose of morphine.

Coroner Green, of Jackson, put $138 in greenbacks near a chimney in a tobacco box. They caught fire and burned up.

Port Huron citizens investigated the troubles in the late Co. F, and have recommended that a new company be organized.

The Ann Arbor Railroad Co. has a large force of men working night and day rebuilding the burned shop at Owosso.

Frank Rice and Frank Thompson are charged with forging a check for $70 in the name of Thompson's father at Saginaw.

A splinter in her thumb caused Miss Florence Mack, aged 17, of Detroit, to become ill with lockjaw and death soon followed.

Thos. T. Gest, a brakeman on the Michigan Central, fell from the pilot of an engine at Albion and was crushed to death by the cars.

Ex-Atty. Gen. Ellis has paid to the state $8,218.08—the amount of salary illegally paid him under the fraudulent salaries amendment.

Adam Arnold was found guilty at Marshall of the murder of his son George at Battle Creek. The verdict was "guilty of manslaughter."

Menominee has recruited the first volunteer regiment in Michigan and has advised Gov. Rich that they are ready to go to the front in case of need.

Editor Hall, of Hall's Legacy, who was arrested for sending obscene literature through the mails, was held to the grand jury and gave $500 bail.

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The Calumet store, situated on the Calumet mine location, burned. The building was 30 years old and valued at about $1,000. The stock was worth $10,000. Cause unknown.

The Kalamazoo river went higher than at any time during the past 10 years. The accumulation of driftwood and the force of the current seriously threatened the bridges near Galesburg.

Mabel Fishpool, a Grand Rapids domestic, is missing. Her satchel containing jewelry and other belongings, was found on the Fulton street bridge, and it is believed she jumped into the river.

There are 97 life convicts in Jackson state prison—one of whom, named Johnson, is serving his third life sentence. Those in the list of lifers include once the supreme court reversed the verdict.

The common council of Menominee consulted the supreme court of the state that city and Marinette. Both places desire to have one constructed, but want an opinion on the cost to be shared by each.

Alan Reed, aged 14, who skipped from his home at Battle Creek in August, has returned to his parents contracted parents after a trial of north Michigan lumber camp.

Wm. Doston, colored, deputy sheriff and janitor of the bridge between Bay and killed by his bartender because Doston accused him of stealing customers diamond pin, valued at $250.

Incendiaries attempted to burn the planing mill of W. & A. McArthur & Co., at Cheboygan, but the watchman saved $40,000 worth of property by extinguishing the blaze with great danger to himself.

The supreme court has decided that the state auditors cannot compromise with those officers who drew an increased salary under the "fraudulent salaries amendment." They must sue for the full amount.

The Michigan Law Stenographers' association elected their officers, meeting at Grand Rapids with a good representation. The new officers are: President, Hiram Orcutt, Detroit; secretary, Chas. H. Strawbridge, both of Grand Rapids.

At Corunna Judge Daboll caused a peremptory mandamus compelling the the country treasurer to pay sparrow orders. The supervisors had attempted by a "deal" with the treasurer, to refuse payment. The order will cost the county from $5,000 to $5,000 a year.

Jan Smith, Fin Berry and Frank Baker stole a lot of flour and pork from the store of Thompson Bros. & Co., at Newaygo, but quarreled while dividing it. One squealed to the sheriff and all were arrested. They let a hint drop that Abner Roebuck, Coldwater beans a few nights before and Roebuck was locked up and the beans found in his barn.

Fr. Nacy, of Hudson, has declared war against the local saloons. He urges his parishioners to become total abstainers, and proposes to make the saloonkeeper either obey the laws or quit the business.

Harry Van Couvern, a horse doctor, has been asking out a precarious living at his profession for years, at Hudson. He last week received notice that an uncle in the Netherlands had died and left him a fortune.

The dam of the Tobacco River Milling Co., and the Hubbell bridge, at Clare, were carried away by the freshet. The loss is about $6,000. Considerable damage has been done to the Ann Arbor railway road bed.

The state railroad crossing board has approved the map of the new and more direct route of the Ann Arbor road into Alma. It was opposed by the D. L. & N. railroad and the village of St. Louis, but to no purpose.

The notorious Arnold block at Battle Creek, in which Geo. Arnold was murdered, seems to be cursed. Fred Herr, a bartender, was found dying in a little room on the first floor, having while in the theory universally accepted.

The coroner's jury at Flint, which investigated the death of Cynthia Latimer in Thetford township, returned that she came to her death by inflammation of the stomach caused by poison administered to her son, John Latimer, and his wife.

The Macabees refused to pay a $2,000 policy on the life of W. P. Carden, of Ypsilanti, on the ground that to have been drowned in Wisconsin and disappeared whose that they did not know that he has been discovered alive at Eagle, Wis.

Alex London, confined in the county jail at Port Huron on account of insanity, committed suicide by hanging himself with a towel. He was considered harmless and was kept in jail owing to the crowded condition of the Pontiac asylum.

George Jones, a professional aeronaut, was arrested at Grand Rapids for falsely deceiving Mrs. A. Webber, the 17-year-old girl from Alma. She consented to marry him, and he brought her from Alma to Grand Rapids and a friend performed a mock ceremony and gave her a license. The girl suspected nothing wrong until she talked to some of the neighbors.

While digging a hole to bury a large stone near Concord, Henry Mash and Chas. Kane had a narrow escape from death. The stone was so large, however, that they did not know it and as they were digging under one side one half fell and buried them. Mash was killed outright, but Kane lingered for after two hours hard work and it then took another hour to get him out. Mash, the latter is seriously injured, but Kane was scarcely scratched.

The cornerstone of the Francis E. Stock bridge deeded to the Y. M. C. A. of Kalamazoo, for a building site, a valuable lot in the face of every square. The site is now occupied by a $65,000 building. Now fire of the heirs of John Stockbridge, the original owner of the land, filed suit against the Mr. Tellers appeals for $20,000, claiming that they never signed the deed to Senator Stockbridge. Four large churches also occupy the square.

The second winter meeting of the Michigan Academy of Sciences was held in Pioneer hall, in the state capitol at Lansing. Officers were elected as follows: President, William G. Sheerer, of Ypsilanti; vice president of sanitary science section, Henry B. Baker, of Lansing; section, Frederick A. Newcomb, of Ann Arbor; zoology section, Jacob E. Reighard, of Ann Arbor; secretary, Alexander Barrows, of the Agricultural college; treasurer, Charles E. Barr, of Albion.

MOB HORROR IN KENTUCKY.

A guilty Couple Burned to Death in the Woman's Home.

At Lebanon, Ky., W. A. Devers, a widower with two daughters, having laid his life threatened by T. J. Wells on the charge of intimacy with his wife, left home the next three weeks ago and exonerated by the evidence. Devers then went with his daughter Carrie, 16 years old to the house of Mrs. West and moved all his effects there. This caused excitement, which resulted in a mob of 25 masked men calling at the house at midnight and demanded to see Devers. Mrs. West came to the door and said she was soon to give birth to a child and begged them in the name of humanity to go away. The mob fired shots in the air and the woman went into the house. Devers came to the window and expostulated, but was answered with a volley. Then Carrie Devers came outside, and pleaded piteously to save her father. A pistol was thrust in her face, and half frightened to death she ran to a Negro cabin half a mile away. The house was then fired and the mob saw through the windows the man and the woman battling the flames and fired at them. At last Devers ran out, his clothes ablaze, and fell on fire with the single revolvers attacked the mob. He was soon riddled with bullets and left there a corpse. The woman was found in the fireplace, her legs and head almost burned off.

2,500 Armenians Killed at Zeitoun.

Advices have been received and confirmed of the capture of the town of Zeitoun, 15 miles from Marash, which had been held by the insurgent Armenians for some time past, by the Turkish troops. It is added that the inhabitants of Zeitoun fled to the mountains.

Constantinople The most obstinate fighting preceded the capture of Zeitoun by the Turks. Semi-official advices say that the Armenians lost 2,500 killed, and that only 250 Turks were killed. The narrow pass between the hills, leading to Zeitoun, is said to be crowded with Armenians, men, women and children, and it is feared that they will be massacred. The ambassadors of Great Britain, France, Russia, Germany, Italy and Austria sent their dragomans to the Sultan's palace in order to make representations with the view of preventing the Armenians from being massacred. Little hope is felt that these representations will avail as it is the general belief that the survivors have already been killed.

Hawaiians Want Annexation.

The Chicago Times-Herald publishes an interview Miss Kate Field had with President Sanford B. Dole, of Hawaii, in which Mr. Dole said that the present administration of Hawaii was working for annexation with the United States. As to the future of annexation that would best meet our requirements, it is difficult to say. A territorial form of government, unmodified from the form obtaining in the United States territories, would crowd us by many years. Perhaps the best course would be to gradually develop from our present system, the federal authorities, of course, having from the beginning jurisdiction over custom houses, postoffices and federal courts. Our present government should not be limited by the United States laws concerning territories. A new system would have to be invented to suit our conditions.

Turks Slaughter 12,500 More People.

Constantinople Advices from Beirut report that several fights has taken place between Turkish troops and the Druses in the Lebanon district. From the official report, the Druses lost 12,500 killed, while only 70 Turks were killed and 250 wounded.

Berlin: A dispatch from Constantinople to the Frankfort Zeitung says: The porte has ordered Mustapha Remzi Pasha to attack with 10,000 troops and two batteries the city of Zeitoun, and to bombard and destroy it and to massacre 17,000 Armenians in the city.

GENERAL MENTION

BRIEFS GATHERED FROM THE WIRES.

Startling Reports Have Been Received from Cuba, Telling of the Insurgents' Approach to Havana and How They Have Outgeneraled the Spaniards.

Recent dispatches from Havana and Tampa told of the rapid progress of the insurgents in the province of Matanzas in spite of all efforts of the Spanish troops. Later advices give the startling news that Gen. Maceo, at the head of the insurgent army, about 12,000 men of all arms, fairly supplied with artillery, turned the flank of Gen. Martinez de Campos, in command of the Spanish forces at Colon, attempting to stop the advance of the enemy upon Havana, and were well to the westward of Colon, and threatening to pass between the city and the railroad directly at Havana. The receipt of this startling news has caused the greatest excitement in the city, and the infant garrisoned the Spaniards at, Jaruco some three weeks ago they, with a powerful force, passed through Santa Clara, passing through the center of the Spanish lines, and, with the exception of a few skirmishes, made strenuous efforts to check them, but in spite of night reinforcements sent by railroad and passing Placetas, Santa Clara, Sandiuan de Lisayeras, Rachuelo and Esperanza, pushed for the province of Matanzas. Then came the news that the insurgents had entered the province of Havana, and that Maceo had changed his headquarters to Colon and commenced burning sugar estates, and while the Spanish troops were pursuing in that point, the main body of the enemy passed southward of Colon, through the city of Jovellanos, and headed steadily for the frontier of the province of Havana, thus turning the flank of Gen. Martinez, who, with the bulk of the Spanish forces, was now well to the rear of the insurgent columns, but in a badly demoralized condition.

Gomez next appeared at Jovellanos, swelling the rear of Colon and commanding the railroads to Cardenas, Matanzas and Havana. The movements of the insurgents was a fine example of splendid generalship accomplished under the most trying circumstances and in the face of overwhelming numbers of Spanish troops commanded by the best officers of Spain. The Cubans were divided into three columns, one under Lacerete and Suarez, numbering over 2,000 men, the second, northward bound, under Maceo, numbering over 3,000 men, and the center, the main body of the insurgents, numbering over 6,000 men, under Gen. Gomez. Ahead of these three columns was the vanguard of the insurgents, consisting of 1,000 men and commanded by Gen. Perez. The insurgents burned the railroad stations, cut off telegraph communication and destroyed the railroads behind them, to prevent the advance of the Spaniards upon their rear. Gen. Campos moved his troops by railroad between Matanzas and Havana, and engaged the insurgents in battle on the Colesco plantation. After some hours of fighting the Cubans retreated and the Spaniards thought they had won a victory, but it soon became apparent that only a wing of the Cuban army had been fighting in order to decoy Campos, until the main army pushed on southward. The loss of each side was about 100 men killed, and many more wounded.

The insurgents marched rapidly, destroying plantations, railroads, bridges and in every way obstructing their rear. Campos hurried to Havana, and that city was thrown into the greatest excitement. Arms were made to keep the news from the populace, but without success. All the troops which could be spared from the city were sent to the front and all the marines and sailors who could be spared from the Spanish fleet have been landed at Havana and the former are now doing duty as artillery men wherever their services are needed. All the volunteers available are under arms and every male inhabitant, capable of active service, has been called upon to bear arms. Whether it be the intention of Gomez to attempt to capture Havana or merely a raid upon the plantations is not known positively, but sure it is that the insurgents are continually overcoming all obstacles and are gaining in numbers daily. It is said that the Spanish troops are suffering from climatic illness, and poor food and are armed and dishearteded.

14 People Trampled to Death !

In a seamless panic, caused by a defective gas burner and a foolish cry of fire, at the old Front street theater at Baltimore, 24 people were killed, 100 fatally injured and 10 more seriously hurt. The theater, which is the oldest in the city, was filled from pit to dome with people who had assembled to listen to Hebrew opera. The panic occurred between the acts, the cry arising fire as a theater employe lighted a tipless gas jet and the flame flared circle. The vast crowd rushed for the exits, which opened upon separate stairways, but the stairways came together at a landing just above a single broad stairway. As the flames gained on the landing, being pushed by the frantic throngs behind, a collision occurred, women and children were thrown over this prostrate form and in a moment nearly two score of people were being trampled under the feet of hundreds of insanely frightened men and women, with the result given above. There was no danger of fire and only the foolish alarm caused the horror.

PEOPLE AND THINGS.

The President has signed the Venezuela commission bill.

The second floor of the Palace clothing store at Minneapolis collapsed and ten men were killed.

A portion of the barracks at Buenos Ayres, collapsed with disastrous results. Twelve soldiers, who were in the building at the time, were killed, and 60 were injured.

Five laborers were injured, one fatally, at the Malleable iron works at Canton, O. The injured were all on a track between buildings and a car loaded with pig iron was pushed towards them, crushing them against the walls.

By an explosion of gas at Schoenberger a rolling mill at Pittsburg eight men were burned, one fatally. Seven men were working at the bottom of a blast furnace. When the gas exploded it forced the hot slag over the sides upon the men.

The soft weather had a very disastrous effect on logging operations throughout the upper peninsula. The snow has nearly all disappeared, and many lumbermen are idle. Men are coming out of the woods to await snow and colder weather.

Fritz Smallenberg, aged 65, while crossing a trestle on the Big Four road, Kessler's Station fell through between the ties and was caught by the chin and back of the head and dangled to death. The ties being only eight inches apart, it seems incredible that a man's body could pass between them. The entire top of his head was torn off by a passing train.

DOINGS OF THE STATESMEN.

Sixteenth day.—No session of the Senate House.—Mr. Dimmick, of Maine, chairman of the ways and means committee announced that within two days the committee would be able to report a bill, or bills, in response to the President's financial message. He said he would ask that all members of the House who had measures of that character pending be here called. Several bills were introduced, among them one by Mr. Wolcott to repeal all silver and cotton—reenacting those sections of the law which fixed the present rates of international staples and American ships in the foreign trade by authorizing the appointment of boudtion on reports of agricultural products to relieve the United States treasury and familiarize the people of this country with the advantages of a silver coinage. By authorizing the gold our paper currency of less denomination than $10 and by authorizing the secretary of the navy to contract for protective vessels not exceeding $4,000,000 for the increase supply of the navy for auxiliary cruisers which could be used in time of war.

SENATE.—Seventeenth day.—Mr. Hawley, Rep., Conn., presented a resolution authorizing which $100,000 of war to cause vigilance relief to state military organizations in exchange for arms. Mr. Squire, Rep., Wash., offered a bill to prohibit the exporting of foreign engineers and mechanics to work in mines and smelters. Mr. Allen, Rep., Neb., offered a resolution declaring for a free and unrestricted political union of the North, Central and south American States. Speech by Mr. Peffer in support of the day was the passage, without debate, of the bill to repeal the act of July 14, 1890, providing for the purchase of silver bullion. Mr. Hill, N. Y., repealing the old proscriptive law, which prohibited the appointment of United States army or navy of ex-confederate soldiers who had not been relieved by act of congress. A communication from the chamber of representatives of the United States of Nicaragua, asking for the recognition of the United States of Nicaragua was presented. It was appointed.

Eighteenth day.—No session of the Senate House.—The House responded to the appeal of Mr. Dingley when he asked a call of the House for the relief of the treasury. The vote was on a call of the House by a vote of 179 to 0. Democrats all voted for the bill except Harriman, Georgia, Populists and Republicans against it, save Newsham, Ohio, who voted in favor of it. Democrats and Populists against it, save Newsham, Ohio, who voted in favor of it. Democrats and Republicans