

Gov. Pingree Fears the Trusts and Monopolies Will Make Us a MERE NATION OF SLAVES.

He Also Sees Disaster in the Annexation of the Philippines, but Favors That All of the American... Can't Get—Economic... Existing... Income Tax, Etc.

Gov. Pingree's message to the Michigan state legislature was a voluminous document, completely covering...

of the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives: "I wish to address you by message as the Chief Executive of this state, upon a subject of great importance to the people of Michigan...

Michigan may justly be proud of her transportation facilities, but it is by the great lakes, the tenure of which is the result, through competition, to a point as low as those of any other state...

State Institutions.

In proportion with the increase of population there is an increase in the needs of the state, especially of those devoted to education...

Taxation.

Equal taxation has been the paramount principle of the institutions that we have inherited from our fathers...

Public Franchises—Municipal Ownership.

Referring to the immense value of the railroads and other public franchises, and the danger of their control being taken away by common companies...

Trusts and Combinations.

There is a general feeling that the trusts and combinations are doing more harm to the people than they are good...

Insurance.

More than one billion dollars of insurance of Michigan citizens is now being done by corporations organized in other states...

Central Board of Control.

I recommend that there be organized a central board of control of the institutions of the State, and that it be authorized to report to you...

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