EVENTS OF THE WEEK

IN OUR GREAT STATE RELATED IN A BRIEF FORM.

The C. & G. T. Ry. Doing a Big Business—Christian Science Works Another Miricle—Sick of Her Bargain After Two Weeks of Wedded Life.

Paid $1 for a Ride to Jail.

Marshal Morrell, of Kalkaska, arrested a man the other night for being disorderly. His prisoner showed a disinclination to walk to jail, and offered the marshal a dollar to draw him there on a handsled. The officer was not averse to acquiring a dollar in such an easy manner, and by accepting the offer he got the "plunker" and had a much easier time getting his man to jail than if he had tried to walk there with him, for the fellow was so drunk, he needed considerable assistance in navigating.

Trains Came Together.

The C. & G. T. Ry. has been doing a rushing business during the past few days. Forty-six trains passed by its depot at Flint in 24 hours. In one instance one westward bound train was held at the depot while 13 trains passed eastward. The rush reached a climax when an effort was made to use the same track upon which to switch two trains at the same time. The trains came together with a terrible crash and several fine freight cars were reduced to kindling wood.

Cured by Christian Science.

Mrs Geo. Meacher, living near Gaylord, has been an invalid about 15 years. She has been unable to walk, use her right hand or hear distinctly, and most of her time has been spent in a wheel chair. She heard of the Christian Science cure at Detroit, and invited in two of the local ministers to pray for her. 'Tis said as a result of their prayers the woman can walk use her hand and hear distinctly.

His First Hunting Experience.

The Tekonsha youth of some 18 summers purchased or borrowed a shotgun and went out for his first hunt. He soon spied a frisky red squirrel and blazed away. The squirrel only gave its tail an extra twirl and chattered away as merrily as ever, but the old family mare that was grazing in the field received the charge of shot and danced around the field in a far different mood.

A Bride of Two Weeks Wants a Divorce.

In January Miss Mollie Olka and Jacob Forthoffer, both of Ypsilanti, were married at Ann Arbor. Now the bride is suing for a divorce, charging extreme cruelty and that the defendant had previous to marriage, unknown to the complainant, been arrested on the charge of illicit relations with one Emma Richel, a girl under 16 years of age.

Flint Sued for $35,000.

Rebecca Wilkins, of Flint, has begun suit in the circuit court against the city of Flint, and places her damages at $35,000. She alleges that on the night of November 9th, last, she fell upon a defective sidewalk and injured her spine. She also claims that her lower limbs are paralyzed by the injuries sustained at that time.

Boiler Exploded.

One of the boilers in H. M. Louds Sons & Co.'s shingle mill at Munising exploded, killing Dan McFarlan, the night watchman. The explosion jarred the whole town like an earthquake. A piece of the boiler weighing a ton was thrown 600 feet. McFarlan's body was blown through the upstairs floor and smashed to a pulp.

Goes to Heirs in England.

The 80-acre farm belonging to the late James Richards, of Ann Arbor, who was murdered for his money by unknown parties, was sold for $1,525. This added to the $1,100 in money left by the hermit makes $2,625 which goes to the heirs in England as arranged by compromise.

A Dead Industry.

The Benton Harbor shipyard, where many of the finest tugs, propellers and yachts on the lakes have been built, has closed down. E. W. Heath, the owner, has accepted a position with a Buffalo concern. Steel vessels have killed the business of shipyards using wood.

Judge Henry Hart, of Midland, is dead, aged 58. He had been ailing for several months.

The Michigan condensed milk factory at Lansing received 425 barrels of milk in one day and used 10 tons of sugar in the process of condensing it.

Just 62 years ago the 26th day of January Michigan was admitted into the union, and the anniversary was celebrated by a banquet by the Michigan State association at Washington on that date.

During the last week, according to the reports of the board of health, the most sickness has been caused in the state by influenza, neuralgia, rheumatism, bronchitis and tonsilitis in the order named.

A suit for $20,000 damages has been commenced by Mrs. Elizabeth Evans against Chas. Hill and Peter Tonnilier. Complainant alleges they sold her husband liquor, making him drunk, which was responsible for his falling out of his wagon and breaking his neck, at Benton Harbor.

In the recent investigation of the books of the Iron county treasurer it was discovered that the county had never collected from the state the share the latter pays of the wildcat bounty. Nearly $500 is due the county under this head, and steps will be taken to collect the money.

Chas. E. Kiplinger, of Charlotte, who will assist in exhuming and bringing from Cuba the bodies of the Michigan soldiers who died there, will receive $60 a month and a portion of his transportation from the government and $40 a month and the balance of his transportation from the state.

Charles Dostie, aged 30, of Heath township, Allegan county, with two companions and a dog, was in a box sleigh going hunting. The dog struck the hammer of the gun, discharging it. The charge entered Dostie's left arm above the wrist and the doctor thinks amputation will be necessary.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

The personnel of the junketing party included Lieut.-Gov. Robinson, Speaker Adams, Sergeants-at-Arms Parshelsby and Shepherd, Clerk Muller of the house, half a dozen newspaper men and the following committees:

College of Mines—Senators Latimer, Giddings, Potter, McGraw, Helme; Representatives Hofmeister, Wood, Davis, Hammond, Whitney; Representative of Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, Senator Blakeslee.

House of Correction at Marquette—Senators Davis, Wagar, Heald, Brown, Flood; Representatives Randall, Alward, Burdick, Robinson, Taziman; Representative of Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, Senator Wagner.

Asylum for Insane at Newberry—Senators Atwood, Loomis, Sayre, Collingwood, Leidlein, Lyon, Humphrey; Representatives Van Camp, Phillips, Doyle, Gillette, Hall; Represenative of Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, Senator Graham.

Fisheries—Senator Moore; Representative Buskirk; Representative of Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee, Senator Stoll.

Mines and Minerals—House Committee, Kerr, Goodrich, Wood, Stumpenhusen, Heineman.

When Gov. Pingree was asked if he intended accompanying the party, he smilingly replied: "By George, those fellows didn't even extend me an invitation."

Rep. Burch assailed Gov. Pingree's message on the junket and says his criticism was unjust. The cost of the junket as estimated by the governor would cost the state $25,000, and this Mr. Burch contends was greatly overestimated, as representatives had not drawn over 3 cents per mile in the lower peninsula and 4 cents in the upper peninsula for mileage and $3 per day for expenses in the past 15 years.

The following bills have been passed in the house: Kerr's bill providing for an appointment of an assistant from each company in the 33d and 34th regiments to assist Mr. Kiplinger in removing bodies to Michigan; Chamberlain's bill for the relief of Michigan sick, disabled and needy soldiers and sailors of the Spanish-American war; Shepherd's bill for a bridge in Chelsea gan county.

For the first time the house went into committee of the whole when they tackled the bill relative to the plank road companies. The bill provides that the companies keep their roadways in such shape as is provided by law. The committee agreed to the bill.

Although the governor opposed the system of charging mileage on junket trips, he willingly signed the concurrent resolution of both houses providing that upper peninsula members should receive $5 per day while serving the state as law-makers.

The indefinite postponement of the consideration of Gov. Pingree's mesage was the first action of this kind ever taken in the history of the Michigan legislature. It is the first time a governor's message was not printed in the house journal.

The following bills have been passed in the senate: Giddings' bill providing for the expenses of the Soldiers' home for the first four months, by authorizing a loan from the general fund; Flood's bill for the protection of fish in Hamlin lake.

The house tabled the report regarding stenographers, however, they did not decide not to have stenographic reports published in the journal.

The Detroit Citizens Street Railway company of Detroit will fight Rep. McLeod's bill for the municipal ownership of street car tracks.

The Detroit Telephone company are trying to get a reduction in their taxes, and a delegation visited Lansing for that purpose.

The house has adjourned until Feb. 7 at 9 p. m. for the junket trip to the upper peninsula.

28,689 Deaths in Michigan in '98.

The number of deaths in Michigan during the calendar year 1898, according to the reports of township and city clerks received by the secretary of state, was 28,689, the average death rate being 12.5 to each 1,000 population. The number of deaths from consumption was 2,456; typhoid fever, 541; diphtheria and croup, 431; scarlet fever, 89; measels, 112; whooping cough, 272; pneumonia, 2,465; diarrhoeal diseases of children, 1,753; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 405. The number of infants under one year of age, who died in '98 was 5,199, and the number from one to five years was 2,061, making a total of 7,263, or more than 25 per cent of the total number of deaths.

Those Franchise Fees.

During January the franchise fees paid the state have aggregated $43,333, or more than enough to pay the salaries of everybody connected with the state department for the entire year. The total fees received by Secretary Stearns and paid into the state treasury in January were $43,862.

Suicide at Flint.

Maynard W. Elwood, aged 28, who resides in Flint, shot himself. The bullet passed over the heart and lodged under the shoulder-blade. Death was instantaneous. He was despondent because he had had no work for five months. He leaves a widow and three children.

Wayne to Have Two Cannons.

Through the efforts of Cory Post, G. A. R., of Wayne, the U. S. war department has presented that village with two 8-inch bore cannons which had been removed to make room for those of a more modern type. They will be mounted in the village park.

The Village of St. Johns will spend $3,800 on an airlift to double the capacity of the water works.

About $75,000 has been subscribed for the erection of a cement manufacturing plant at Mosherville, Hillsdale county.

Quincy is likely to get still another factory, this one for the making of building and paving brick, tile, sewer pipe, etc.

It is to be hoped that Frankfort people properly appreciate their exceeding good fortune. The grip has not struck that place this winter.

The tank house of Dr. E. J. Buck, of Capac, was damaged by fire, caused by an explosion of an oil stove, used to keep the water in the tank from freezing. Loss about $300.

Benzie should go into the health resort business, for it seems to have the proper climate. The death rate in the county during 1898 was only eight to every 1,000 inhabitants.

Several business men of Albion have combined in bringing suit against the express company to recover the amount paid by them, under protest, for revenue stamps on express packages.

STATE GOSSIP.

Chicken theives are still operating at Royal Oak.

Iron River is to have a grist mill if negotiations now in progress are successful.

Both the Daily Herald and Evening Leader at Menominee have suspended publication.

The latest electric railroad project in the state is a proposed line between Cheboygan and Petoskey.

A big lynx with large tassels on his ears was killed north of Standish. This is the first specimen killed in that section for some time.

Wm. H. Bly, of Eaton Rapids, 41 years old, committed suicide at the asylum at Kalamazoo by cutting his throat with a suspender buckle.

A great deal of the wheat in Tuscola county that was sowed on clay ground has been killed by the cold weather because of lack of snow to protect it.

Oceana county is great on raising potatoes. The shipments from Shelby average 30 carloads per week at present.

Bellaire is to have a big new sawmill, which will employ about 40 men. It will be completed some time in April.

Michael J. Byrnes, who was convicted at Muskegon of manslaughter, got five years in the Marquette state prison.

The people of Midland will probably settle the question of municipal ownership of the electric lighting plant at the spring election.

The common council of Alma has decided to improve the city streets the coming summer to the extent of $4,000 worth of material and labor.

Chelsea Methodists have decided to build a new church instead of trying to repair the one which was nearly destroyed by fire a few weeks ago.

The Middleville creamery takes the blue ribbon for institutions of the kind in the state. It paid a dividend of 17¼ per cent on stock for the past year.

Terminals have been secured at Houghton for the proposed new railroad from that city to Ontonagon, and it is announced that the road will be running within a year.

Masquerades and cake walks are becoming a paying institution in Hart. They have created more interest this winter than the revival meetings held at the Methodist church.

Mary Penar, of Saginaw, aged 34, was divorced from her husband, and within two minutes was an applicant before the county clerk for a license to wed a man 20 years her senior.

The council at Three Rivers has decided that the city is "getting its money's worth" from the local electric lighting company, and the talk of a municipal plant has been dropped.

Calvin B. Lapham, a wealthy and well known Oakland county farmer, of near Farmington, committed suicide by hanging himself in his barn. He was 60 years of age. Family troubles.

Accountants who have been working on Bay county books for over a year reports the rural districts indebted to the cities over $76,000. To offset this there is a balance of about $38,000 in the treasury.

Manistee was visited by fire three consecutive days—the last one destroyed the Metropolitan block, which was used as an apartment house. Loss on building, $2,000; contents, $3,500. Fully insured.

The suit of Montmorency county against ex-County Treasurer Wiltsie and his bondsmen for the recovery of money alleged to have been turned over, resulted in a verdict for the county of $3,442.55.

Near Harrietta, Wexford county, have been discovered large deposits of clay which has been pronounced by experts to be the finest kind of pottery clay. An Ohio pottery firm is trying to purchase the land.

Wm. Corey terrorized Ypsilanti with a revolver. He had been ill and labored under the delusion that the city marshal was the cause of his troubles. He was overpowered, taken home, and a guard placed over him.

The fishermen at St. Ignace are making big money catching perch through the ice with hook and line. They get 12 cents a dozen for the fish, which they haul in as fast as they can drop their lines into the water.

The one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shepke, of Southfield, near Birmingham, was burned so badly by falling into a boiler of boiling water that the flesh peeled off the little one's body. The child may live.

A dozen freight cars were ditched and an engine wrecked in a collision on the D., G. R. & W. railroad west of Ionia. A heavy freight coming down the incline collided with a switch engine drawing 20 empty cars. No one injured.

The recent snow storm was the most severe at Marquette, where the beautiful fell in large quantities, and was piled up in drifts by the heavy wind that was blowing until it reached a dept of 10 feet in many places. The storm was felt over the entire state, but was the most severe in the northern part.

Some years ago a coal mine was opened upon the banks of the Rifle river, not far from Twining. As there was no demand for the coal at paying prices the mine was abandoned. A Pennsylvania firm will open the mine and if the indications warrant the outlay the Detroit & Mackinac railway will build a siding to the property.

The potato evaporator which recently started operations at North Branch is furnishing a good market for the potatoes which the farmers of that vicinity have left on hand. The factory uses about 300 bushels per day, and a good price is paid for them.

Oceana county presents some interesting figures for last year. It is estimated that during the year, there were shipped from various points in the county 3,000 cars of fruit, 3,000 cars of potatoes, 2,500 cars of grain and 1,500 cars of wood, logs, bark and lumber, making a total of 10,000 cars of freight that went out of the county in 1898.

Grand Rapids saloonkeepers have asked the council to pass an ordinance prohibiting free lunches. The custom has grown to such an extent as to make serious inroads in the profits, seven down-town saloons expending $14,814 in that way last year.

AT HOME AND ABROAD

A SUMMARY OF THE NEWS FOR THE WEEK BY WIRE.

Five Killed and Many Seriously Frozen While Crossing Valdez Glacier in Alaska—A Horrible Experience of a Shipwrecked Crew With Cannibals.

Perished While Crossing a Glacier.

The steamer Cottage City, from Alaska, brings news that a number of Copper river prospectors perished in Valdez glacier. Five are known to have been lost. There are six men at Valdez suffering from frozen feet, hands and face. A hospital has been established at Twelve Mile camp, on the other side of the glacier and 15 men are suffering there from the same cause. All were frozen trying to cross the glacier, but managed to get back to camp. The freezing of the Evjens, father and son, is particularly sad. They started for Valdez but on getting well toward the summit of the glacier, found their feet freezing. Both started back. The son gave his father extra wrapping for his feet and as a result both of the son's legs were frozen in a few minutes and he was unable to proceed. He bade his father good-bye and compelled him to go on without him. Then the boy lay down in the snow to die. His body will probably never be recovered. The father reached camp but is not expected to live.

11 Sailors Devoured by Cannibals.

After escaping death by drowning, 11 of the crew of the ship Manbare were captured and eaten by cannibals of New Guinea. The ship was bound for Sydney, Australia, when it was caught in a terrible gale and sunk near Cape Nelson. The crew, 18 in all, left the vessel in two boats and soon became separated. One boat containing 12 men was thrown ashore 10 miles from the cape, where they were seized by natives from the interior and hurried off to the village of the chief. Here they were stripped, bound and killed, one each day. A wild orgy was participated in by at least 100 savages, who had gathered for the feast. The only survivor of the crew was James Green, who was rescued by a steamer after tramping without food a day and a night to reach the coast. The scenes of horror he had witnessed turned his hair snowy white.

Spanish Girls Brutally Used.

A dispatch from Manila says: The Spanish civil prisoners have not yet been released. Tales of horror, suffering and dishonor come from the provinces. Young Spanish girls are forced to live in open shame with low-born Indians, their parents being powerless. Appeals were made to Aguinaldo, and his reply was a letter from a dishonored child—exacting after God knows what suffering—saying she is happy and contented. Ladies have suffered dishonor to save their husbands from cruel treatment. The sufferers appeal to the American nation in the name of God to stop the horrors.

Family Lost in Lake Erie.

The loss of the entire Robson family in Lake Erie is reported. The family consisted of the father, mother, a daughter of 20, a son of 5 and a hired man. The little boy died, and his parents determined to take the body back to Canada, whence they came. A clinker boat was used and the family started on the perilous journey. The battered boat has been found and the body of a woman, supposed to be that of Mrs Robson, was found near Port Burrell, on the Canadian shore. The other bodies have not been found.

Against Uncle Sam.

Justice Bingham, in the Queen's bench division of the high court of justice in London, decided in favor of Pelley Bros., the ship brokers, in the suit of the United States against them to recover 500 pounds paid the brokers on April 21, 1898, on two six hundred-ton colliers by Lieut. Sims, who was then acting naval attache of the United States embassy in London, that amount being 10 per cent of the total sum of 53,000 pounds for which the ship brokers agreed in April to deliver the colliers.

Strike Conditions Growing Serious.

The strike conditions at Colon, Columbia, does not improve. A special train from Panama brought reinforcements and the whole city has been under military guard for a greater portion of the time. Nevertheless an uneasy feeling prevails everywhere, for although quiet has been restored, fears are entertained on all sides that the striking dockmen and the railway employes are only awaiting an opportunity to fire the city.

Fatal Shotgun Trick.

The 12-year-old son of John Goddard, of Sacramento, Cal., was accidentally shot dead by his brother, aged 15, while they were attempting to perform a trick with a shotgun. The younger was to catch a marble fired from the gun by the explosion of the priming in an empty cartridge shell. He had done this before, but this time, by some mistake, a loaded cartridge was used and his head was nearly blown off.

Run Down in a Tunnel.

A gang of 26 track repair men were working on the railroad at the western opening of the Gallitzin, Pa., tunnel when they were run down by a locomotive. One was instantly killed, one died later at the hospital and 16 were more or less seriously injured.

14 Killed by a Gas Explosion.

Fourteen persons were killed by an explosion of gas in the Palia mine, near Mazarron, Spain, 20 miles west of Cartagena. The others miners succeeded in making their escape.

Smallpox at Manila.

The war department has received a cablegram from Gen. Otis, at Manila, in which he reports 20 deaths, 14 of the number from smallpox.

A cyclone passed through a portion of Louisana destroying much property.

Adelina Patti, the noted singer, is again a bride. Baron Cederstrom, of London, Eng., is the lucky man.

Baron Cederstrom received a neat wedding gift from his wife, Patti, which entitled him to $15,000 a year for spending money.

THAT EMBALMED BEEF.

General Miles Repeats His Charge That Chemicals Were Used.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles gave out a statement after having denied several published interviews attributed to him. His statement is as follows: "On Sept. 20 last I issued an order to regimental commanders to report me concerning the beef which had been issued to their men. At the time that I went before the war board investigating commission I had only received reports from 14 of the commanders. Now I have 30 reports. They all tell the same story. The evidence proves the truth of the statements which I made and gives me overwhelming evidence that the embalmed beef was treated with chemicals in order to preserve it. I have affidavits from men who saw the beef underdoing the treatment or embalming process."

Com.-Gen. Eagan Courtmartialed.

Dismissal from the military service of the United States without any recommedation for clemency is the verdict passed by the courtmartial upon Commissary-General Eagan for his recent virulent attack upon Maj.-Gen. Miles. The verdict was reached within 45 minutes after the trial ended. Gen. Eagan, according to the verdict, is guilty, on account of his vile language before the war investigating commission, of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman and conduct prejudical to good order and military discipline.

150 Cases of Smallpox at Ponce.

Smallpox is increasing at Ponce, where 150 cases are under treatment. The military governor will immediately begin compulsory vaccination. Chief Surgeon Huff says there is no occasion for special alarm, as the conditions are not unusual. Reports from other points in the island tell of only scattered cases. A number of native prisoners in the San Juan penitentiary attacked an American soldier who was doing sentry duty and the sentry was compelled to bayonet one of them.

Gen. Gomez now Wants $60,000,000.

According to a Washington special Gen. Maximo Gomez, the Cuban commander general, has demanded nearly $60,000,000 from the United States and refuses to disband his "army" until the money is paid. He has repudiated the arrangement made by Calixto Garcia, who went to Washington with authority from Gomez to provide for the return of the Cubans to their peaceful pursuits, and whose work was barely accomplished before his sudden death on December 11.

Will Not Allow Protestant Services.

A special from Havana says: Bishop Santander has declared that the protestant service cannot be held over the graves of the Maine victims in Columbus cemetery. Committees of Americans were preparing to decorate the graves on the anniversary of the explosion and desired prayers by protestant clergymen. The bishop says that the cemetery is consecrated ground and protestant services could no more be permitted there than in a Catholic church.

Ex-Attorney General Garland Dead.

Former Attorney-General A. H. Garland was stricken with apoplexy while addressing the United States supreme court and died within ten minutes. The occurrence came with startling and tragic unexpectedness, changing the usual calm and dignity of the court into temporary confusion, while the dying man was carried from the chamber in a futile effort to alleviate his condition. Deceased was born in Tipton county, Tenn., June 11, 1832.

Santiago Customs Receipts.

As the result of a conference between Gov.-Gen. Brooke and Gen. Leonard West, governor of the military department of Santiago, a mutual understanding has been reached regarding the customs receipts at Santiago. Santiago's $280,000 will not be used in other provinces, but will be mortgaged to defray the cost of works now under way. The sum of $80,000 is required for the water works at Santiago alone.

Reinforcements for Manila.

Orders have been issued by the war department to expedite the movement of reinforcements for the Philippines. As a result the 3d regiment of infantry and the remaining companies of 17th infantry have been ordered to get ready for the trip. The arrival of these reinforcements will increase Gen. Otis' fighting strength by nearly 7,000 men.

Little Hope of Dreyfus' Release.

The Liberte, which is a Dreyfus paper and usually well informed, says: The decision of the court of cassation in the Dreyfus affair will be that the evidence proves the existence of a traitor, but that neither Comte Esterhazy nor Lieut.-Col. Henry could answer to the culpability of the secret dossier.

Killed Himself, Wife and Child.

Michael Rumniski, of Pittsburg, who strangled himself to death in the county jail, confessed before committing suicide that he had not only killed his wife, but had strangled his baby three years ago. He was jealous of his wife, and killed the child because he did not think it was his.

1,000 Dervishes Surrender.

A Cairo special says advices from Omdurman report that upwards of 1,000 of Emir Ahmed Fedil's forces of dervishes have surrendered. These men have arrived at Omdurman and 200 horses and a large number of camels and cattle were also captured.

The French government has promulgated a rigid set of rules intended to protect American exhibitors at the Paris exposition of 1900 from infringement of their patents or trademarks not specifically registered in France.

There is a certain farmer in Cascade county who is worth about $25,000 and whose relatives have been trying to have him adjudged mentally incompetent to take care of his property. He opposes such action, and threatens to draw his money out of the banks where it is deposited and literally burn it rather than let his relatives get hold of it.

The village of Vernon enjoys an enviable reputation as a prominent point for the feeding and marketing of native and western sheep. The number handled there during the feeding season runs up in the thousands.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

The bill to recognize and increase the standing army of about 100,000 men, but giving the president authority to reduce the size of infantry companies and cavalry troops to 60 men each, thus fixing a minimum of about 50,000 enlisted men, passed the house by a vote of 168 to 125. Among the important amendments adopted before the vote was taken was one to exclude the appointment of civilians to positions in the engineer corps, one to abolish canteens and the sale of liquor in camps and one to strike out the provision for additional pay for commands serving in the West Indies, the Philippines and Alaska. The amendment of Mr. Cummings, of New York, to prohibit the use of troops in several states to suppress riots, etc., except upon the application of the states, was defeated by a large majority.

Very little progress was made with the army bill, the only amendment adopted being that offered by the committee to give veterinaries in cavalry regiments the rank, pay and allowances of second lieutenants. The time before the eulogies on the death of Rep. Simpkins, of Massachusetts, began, was chiefly devoted to a continuation of the debate on the advisability of retaining the Philippines. A joint resolution was adopted granting to the republic of Venezuela the privilege of sending a cadet to the West Point military academy. A senate bill was passed authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Missouri river at Lexington, Mo.

The President has approved the bill originally introduced by Congressman Brucker granting to the city of Saginaw, Mich., the privilege of beautifying and using for a public park such part of the U. S. postoffice property in that city as he may deem unnecessary to hold for the purpose of which it was purchased, and the measure introduced by Congressman Wm. A. Smith authorizing the appointment in the fifth and sixth judicial circuits of an additional circuit judge.

A bill has been passed by the senate granting extra pay to the officers and men of the temporary force of the navy—two months' extra pay to those who served beyond the limits of the United States and one month's pay to those who served within the United States. The provisions of the bill are to apply to all such temporary forces, whether discharged yet or not.

The shipping bill, providing a system of bounties for American ships, has been favorably acted on by the house committee on merchant marine and fisheries. The vote was on party lines, the Democratic members opposing a report. Amendments were made embodying in suggestions by ex-Senator Edmunds in behalf of the shipping interests.

After spending 45 minutes in executive session the senate decided to vote on the peace treaty with Spain Feb. 6. A portion of each day's session previous to that date will be spent in executive session discussing the treaty.

The senate committee on commerce has agreed to report favorably Senator Hanna's steamship subsidy bill. A few ammendments have been made to the bill but not such as to change the character of the measure.

It now looks as though the one dollar lumbermen would be winners, but would have to accept a compromise of $1.60, and this the Canadians say would not be of any advantage to them whatever.

Senator Mason vows he will defeat the peace treaty if he can't have his resolution "declaring that it is not the intention of the U. S. to rule any people permanently against their will", voted on.

The American Newspapers Publishers' association have appealed to congress for a revocation of the present duty on paper and pulp.

The navy department has decided to blow up the hulk of the Merrimac in Santiago harbor because the cost of raising her would be more than she is worth.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York—				
Best grades	$4 50@5 80	$4 60	$5 35	$4 25
Lower grades	2 20@4 35	4 10	5 10	4 00
Chicago—				
Best grades	5 60@6 30	4 60	5 00	3 90
Lower grades	3 30@5 25	3 60	4 00	3 25
Detroit—				
Best grades	3 75@4 40	3 50	4 75	3 80
Lower grades	2 25@3 75	3 00	3 50	3 25
Buffalo—				
Best grades	4 15@4 90	3 90	4 90	3 95
Lower grades	2 25@3 50	3 40	3 50	3 15
Cleveland—				
Best grades	4 00@4 45	4 00	4 75	3 90
Lower grades	3 00@4 00	2 50	3 75	3 10
Cincinnati—				
Best grades	4 25@5 00	4 00	6 35	3 75
Lower grades	2 75@4 75	3 75	4 00	3 15
Pittsburg—				
Best grades	5 50@5 75	4 50	5 25	3 95
Lower grades	2 50@4 85	3 50	5 10	3 50

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat, No. 2 red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	86 @86½	46 @46½	36 @36½
Chicago	78 @78½	38 @39½	28 @29
*Detroit	79 @79½	37 37½	34@33
Toledo	76 79¼	38 38	29 @29¼
Cincinnati	77@77	37@37½	31 31
Cleveland	71 @72½	36 @36 ¼	34@3 ¼
Pittsburg	82 @82¼	40@40½	36 @36¼
Buffalo	81 @81½	39 39¼	35@35½

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, $8 00 per ton. Potatoes, 55c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 7c per lb; fowls, 6½c; turkeys, 10c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 17c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 14c per lb; creamery, 20c.

The Situation at Manila.

The situation at Manila is regarded as critical, but officials see no reason why they cannot command it for a time at least. Gen. Otis reported in connection with some matters connected with the shipment home of some sick Spanish soldiers, that he could hold out beyond a doubt until his reinforcemdnts arrived, and added that, as the news had reached Manila that there was every prospect that the peace treaty will be soon ratified by the U. S. senate, the effect upon the native element had been salutary.

A New System of Government.

Regarding the new system of government for Soudan the London Standard says: It is reasonably certain that some diplomatic trouble will follow. The sultan will probably protest against the ostentatious neglect of his suzerain title and France doubtless will leave nothing undone to nurse displeasure of the porte into a serious international ferment.

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