IN OUR GREAT STATE.

THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN BRIEFLY RELATED.

Wheat was Damaged Much More in the Southern Counties Than in the Northern During the Cold Weather of February and March — Other Items

Crop Report for April.

The Michigan crop report for April, says that the extremely cold weather in February was followed by peculiar and exceedingly disagreeable weather in March. While the temperature for the month has not been lower than usual, yet the conditions have not been at all favorable to crops. There has been more or less precipitation all through the month, but this has not benefitted wheat much, as the snow was either blown away or melted nearly as soon as it fell. There has been much freezing and thawing, especially during the first half of the month. This has caused many fields to be covered with water, or partly so at least, which was unable to settle away, as the ground was frozen to a great depth. In answer to the question "Has wheat during March suffered injury from any cause?" 305 correspondents in the southern counties answer "yes" and 106 "no;" in the central counties 73 answer "yes" and 93 "no;" in the northern counties 17 answer "yes" and 12 "no" In the upper peninsula all correspondents agree that wheat has not been damaged during the month.

3,378 Deaths in the State for March.

During March there were 3,378 deaths in Michigan, this being exactly 500 less than in February. As March has three more days than February this represents a considerable decrease in mortality. The death rate for March was 10.5 per 1,000 estimated population, as compared with 20.7 per 1,000 for the preceding month. The death rate for the rural population was only slightly greater than that of the cities, instead of being markedly greater as in February. There were 622 deaths of infants under 1 year of age, 244 of children aged 1 to 4 years, and 930 of persons aged 65 years and over. The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Pneumonia, 945; influenza, 341; cerebral spinal meningitis, 126; consumption, 202; other forms of tuberculosis, 70; typhoid fever, 34; diphtheria and croup, 26; scarlet fever, 14; measles, 9; whooping cough, 22; diarrheal diseases of children, 41; puerperal septicemia, 17; cancer, 112; accidents and violence, 99.

A Pin in a Man 19 Years.

Nineteen years ago Ara L. V. D. Cook, whose home is in Howell, swallowed a pin. As Mr. Cook was only 6 years of age at that time and his digestive apparatus refused to respond readily to this foreign substance, the pin remained intact within Mr. Cook. As the years rolled by he could occasionally feel a fickling sensation and finally a lump the size of an egg formed on his body. Of late years he suffered acute pain and decided that an operation would relieve him. The operation for appendicitis was performed at Harper hospital, Detroit, recently, and the pin that had been in his body for nearly a score of years was removed. Cook is rapidly improving.

Upper Peninsula Out in the Cold.

Officers of the 34th Michigan volunteers, who reside in the upper peninsula, are asking where they come in on the proposed reorganization of the Michigan National Guard as outlined in the plan of the state military board. Calumet has always been one of the best towns in the state as far as the National Guard is concerned. Regimental headquarters have been there since the time when the Fifth regiment of the state troops was first organized.

New Paper Mill.

About the middle of this month work will begin on the construction of another large paper mill at Quinnesec, Dickinson county, and when that is completed the paper manufacturing plant at that place will be one of the largest in the country. The new mill, together with improvements to be made on those already there, means the outlay of several hundred thousand dollars and the employment of many men.

Tried to Restore Life by Prayer.

The 3-year-old child of Arthur Wells and wife died at Milford recently under peculiar circumstances from lung trouble brought on by a severe cold. It is alleged that those interested refused to call in a physician, but resorted to prayer and song to effect a cure. After death it is said that the mother for many hours tried to bring the child back to life, but in vain.

He May Be Insane.

James Snower, a hotel and boarding house keeper, of Watervliet, is in jail at St. Joseph, awaiting examination as to his sanity. The other night he drove his wife and family of 15 or 18 boarders from the house, declaring that he would kill all who attempted entrance. He is 60 years of age and has shown indications of mental unbalance for some years.

Running Short of Fodder.

This late spring is coming hard on farmers who did not have an unusually large amount of fodder laid away last fall. A great many who supposed they would have more than enough to carry them through have already run short on account of the lateness of the season, and it will be some weeks yet before the pastures will be in condition to turn stock into them.

The total enrollment of the U. of M. for the present year, exclusive of summer schools, is 3,059; with the summer schools, 3,192.

On the fruit farm of John Pruyn, four miles east of Niles, it is said 10,000 trees were killed by the February cold snap.

Frankfort is to have a new flour mill of 100 barrels daily capacity, which will be one of the finest plants of its size in Michigan.

A new railway will be built from Stephenson to White Rapids, where an immense new paper and pulp mill will soon be erected.

Things must be looking up for farmers in Eaton county. Last week one farmer of the county sold two horses for $3,000 apiece.

STATE LEGISLATURE

The governor has sent to the senate the following nominations: Arthur L. Worden, of Detroit, Wayne county, as a member of the state board of corrections and charities for the term of eight years, from and after May 1, 1899, to succeed Edward Jenks; Minn H. Hunt, of Redford township, Wayne county, as a member of the commissioners of Wayne county, for the term of six years from and after May 1, 1899, to succeed Henry Loss; Otto Stolz, of Detroit, Wayne county, as a member of the board of jury commissioners for Wayne county, for the term of six years from and after May 1, 1899, to succeed Eugene H. Hill; Herman P. Nagel, of Detroit, Wayne county, as a member of the railroad and street crossings board, for the term of four years from and after Jan. 1, 1899, to succeed Wm. H. Lockerby.

Shisler's bill for the relief of soldiers of the late Spanish war was the subject of a long discussion in the house, Chamberlain leading in favor of it, and it was finally passed. It is similar to the one passed some time ago except that the defect which made that one practically useless was remedied by providing that the relief may extend to expenditures already incurred for indigent soldiers. The rate was also raised from four-one-hundredths of a mill, and an amendment was tacked on providing that in Wayne county the relief shall go through the regular soldiers' relief commission. It was given immediate effect and sent to the senate.

The house military committee reported favorably Kelly's bill giving soldiers of the late Spanish war who left the state $15 per month extra pay, and those who didn't leave the state $10. It went to the ways and means committee. Gen. Case of the military board strongly opposes the bill because it provides that the extra pay shall stop when peace was declared. He says that would shut out the boys of the 35th and 31st from getting any extra pay for the long service they have just concluded, and would only give a mere bagatelle to any of the boys.

Herrig offered a resolution that hereafter the sessions of the house shall begin at 10 o'clock in the morning instead of 2 in the afternoon. Kelly and others opposed it, saying that it is not yet time to begin the morning sessions, and that more can be accomplished by devoting the morning hours to committee work. Chamberlain warned the new members that if they do not get their bills acted on pretty soon they would find it impossible to do it a little later. The resolution for morning sessions was adopted.

The bill making Michigan a prohibition state, as far as cigarettes are concerned, of which the private corporations committee retained jurisdiction because introduced by Mr. Trevascus, Mr. McCall, passed the committee. It absolutely prohibits the manufacture and sale of cigarettes in this state. Its passage by the legislature is considered highly probable.

About the hottest fight of the session was put up against the bill by the Detroit street railway franchises, but the bill was finally referred back by a vote of 49 to 34.

The house ways and means committee has recommended an appropriation of $50,000 for a Michigan exhibit at the Pan-American exposition to be held at Buffalo in 1901.

The senate has confirmed the appointment of Chas. H. Osborn, and also that of Dr. H. S. Chapman and Harry Coleman, to the trustees of the Pontiac asylum.

The open fishing season has been defeated in the senate by a vote of 17 to 15.

Wants a $25,000 Plaster.

Wm Washburn, of Port Huron, has commenced suit against the P. & P. M. R. R. Co. for $25,000 damages. Washburn was driving across Lyon street on the night of Sept. 9, 1898, when he was struck by a passenger train on the above road. His rig was demolished, and the man himself nearly killed. The plaintiff says now that there was no headlight on the engine and also that the speed of the train was 23 miles an hour, which is 19 miles faster than the law allows.

Flood at Saginaw.

The e are indications of another flood at Saginaw. The river is, steadily rising and is within a few inches of high water mark. Low lands are covered. Several fishermen's shanties have moved down with the ice but were stopped with bridges. Business basements are beginning to fill.

STATE GOSSIP.

There is talk of a new $50,000 hotel at Hancock.

Middleville boasts of having the best band in Barry county.

Ypsilanti will have a new city hall. It is not to cost more than $10,000.

The village of Oakley, Saginaw county, refuses to grant a saloon license.

The G. R. & I. railroad will build a new $75,000 union depot at Grand Rapids.

East Jordan is to have a new opera house, which will be completed about July 1.

The Kalamazoo and the Wolverine paper companies of Kalamazoo will be combined.

A starch mill and a brick and a tile factory will locate at Harbor Beach, Huron county, this year.

There are 32 widows living on one street in Quincy. How is that for a town of 1,400 population?

Huron county capitalists will prospect for coal, lead and oil in Oliver township.

A new court house to cost $37,500 will be erected at Centerville, St. Joseph county.

Mecosta county farmers are contracting to raise sugar beets for the sugar factory at Kalamazoo.

George Cotton, of Sandstone, has a Poland China sow which is the mother of 21 pigs, all alive and squealing.

A fine new flouring mill is to be built at Charlotte this summer, which will fill a long-felt want in that city.

Chas. Adrensen, of Norway, followed his runaway wife to Ironwood, and finding her there, shot her and then himself. He is dead, but she will recover.

The business portion of Cadillac has been visited by a $10,000 fire, and four buildings was reduced to ashes. Most of the stock in the different stores was saved.

A building boom of large proportions is in sight at Houghton. Several new and handsome stone and brick business blocks will be constructed this summer.

The 31st Michigan volunteer regiment, now in Cuba, have received orders to muster out. The officers believe the regiment will be in the U. S. by April 15th.

During March the revenue stamps affixed to documents filed with the register of deeds at Houghton werd valued at $9,000. Houghton claims to be the banner county for March in this respect.

The contract for building the Copper Range railroad through the Ontonagon district, has been let to C. E. Loss, of Chicago, and as soon as the snow is off work will be commenced in earnest.

At Stevensville there exists several cases of scarlet fever, several bad cases of diphtheria and the measles prevails in half of the homes of the village. Schools and churches are closed for the present.

Mrs. Joseph Kay, who had her husband arrested at Jackson on a charge of adultery has withdrew the complaint. The couple have kissed and made up, and are again living together at Lansing.

Rogers City is the largest place in the state to discover "the finest marl beds in the country" right within half a mile of the county court house, and starts some one to locate a cement factory there.

The common council at Pontiac has granted a 30-year franchise to the men who propose to build an electric railroad from Orion to that city, and has given them 10 days in which to accept the franchise.

The dam at the Clare roller mills on the Tobacco river was recently carried away by the water forming an eddy below while being drawn through the wasteway. The dam was built last season at a cost of $3,000.

Contractors for Williamston have discovered a three-foot vein of excellent coal at a depth of 80 feet, and the work of putting down a shaft and starting actual mining operations will begin immediately.

Ole M. Olson, a prominent business man of Big Rapids, mistook a carbolic acid bottle for a water bottle at a dance store and drank quite freely of the deadly poison before he discovered his mistake. He died a few minutes later.

St. Johns people are again agitating the question of a new opera house, something the village has needed badly since the loss of the old one by fire several years ago. The project seems to be raising money necessary by popular subscriptions.

Ontonagon people see the chance of their lives to place that long-slumbering village again on its feet, and will make a united effort to secure the location there of the lumbering mills of the extensive new mines which are being opened up in the county.

John Stover, who has been living with Mrs. King, of Texas township, Kalamazoo county, for three or four years, quarreled with her and it is alleged burned her house in revenge. He had taken two responsible parties gone before his arrest and died at the jail.

When the navigation season opens Marquette will have the distinction of having the only lighthouse on the lakes lighted by electricity. If the innovation proves successful there, other lighthouses around the lakes will be lighted in the same manner wherever possible.

Ground has been broken for Caro's beet sugar factory which will be ready for the machinery early in July and completed for operation Sept. 15. Other manufacturing enterprises are now being talked of with bright prospects of some of them being added to Caro's industries.

The logging season in the upper peninsula is practically at an end and nearly all of the camps have been broken up. The logging is still good, but the companies have gotten out all the logs they wish. The amount banked this winter on the Menominee and its tributaries is over 300,000,000 feet.

Mell MacWinter, of Rochester, slapped his wife's face, broke her nose and blackened her eyes, because she would not cook sausage for supper, instead of saving it for Sunday dinner. He was given $25 fine and 60 days in jail. Later he broke jail with the intention of killing his wife but the officers headed him off.

Miss Augusta Brundage, one of the operators of the Michigan Telephone Co.'s exchange at Lansing, awoke the other morning and found that she was absolutely unable to speak. She has not been ill, and her throat is not sore, but repeated efforts to speak have been unavailing. She is not able to make the slightest sound.

A classification of the patients treated in the homeopathic hospital of the U. of M., gives the following percentages: Farmers' wives, 25 per cent; farmers, 14; farmers' children, 22; farm domestics, 3; farm hands, 4; total farm class, 67. The remaining 33 per cent is composed of students, 10 per cent; mechanics, 6; paupers, 2; others, 15.

B. Gebhardt, a hotelkeeper and baker of Saline, went to Detroit recently on business, expecting to return home the same day. Nothing has been heard of him since by his relatives. As he had considerable money on his person it is believed he was a victim of foul play.

Instead of each holding separate fairs, several of the counties of northwestern Michigan have combined for a union fair. The Western Michigan Agricultural Society is the name of the new organization, which has a paid-up capital stock of $12,000. Manistee, Mason, Grand Traverse, Oceana, Lake, Leelanau, Wexford and Benzie are included in the organization, the first fair of which will be held at Manistee in September.

A couple of Metamora kids have a unique team. It consists of a pair of young calves, which the boys yoke together and hitch to their cart.

NEWSY GENERALITIES

ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

Six Persons were Killed in a Riot in an Illinois Mining Town — Great Strides Made by American Trade in China — Germans Offended.

Germans are Offended.

After receiving Mr. White, the U. S. ambassador, and Sir Frank Lascelles, the British ambassador, last week, and explaining to them Germany's attitude regarding Samoa, Emperor William sent instructions to the German ambassadors in London and Washington to the general effect that Germany considers the new government in Samoa illegal and the action of the British and Americans a clear violation of the Samoan act. The report of the behavior of Admiral Kautz toward the German cruiser Falke has given umbrage throughout the empire and it is considered certain that, if the report is confirmed, the United States will readily admit Germany's right to such factious and will remove Admiral Kautz's error's. It is hoped, however, that the accounts are exaggerated.

Slain by Rioters.

In a riot which broke out on the main street of Virden, in front of the telegraph office, between white and black miners, in which deputy sheriffs took part, five men and one woman were killed. Nine persons were wounded, several so seriously that they will probably die. The cause of the riot was the calling out of 100 deputy sheriffs in the Flatham and Penwell mining districts to protect several families of Negroes that were endeavoring to load household effects preparatory to leaving for Iowa. The people in the district were said to belong to the Pana Coal Co., who had placed guards over their property to prevent the Negroes from getting away with it.

Our Trade With China.

The strides made by American trade in China are shown in a report of Consul-General Goodnow. Our cotton goods, flour and kerosene are being introduced in large quantities, entering China at Shanghai and thence being distributed up the Yangtse river and the populous provinces of Chefeo, Tien Tsin and Niuchwang. The consul-general estimates that 50,000,000 pounds of our flour was imported at Shanghai last year, and the value of flour imported into all China was $1,231,200. The imports in other lines were: Kerosene, 42,340,000 gallons; sheetings, 2,472,000 pieces; drills, 1,728,000 pieces; jeans, 105,600 pieces.

Mail is Now Exchanged at Iloilo.

F. W. Vaille, assistant postal superintendent at Manila, reports to the department at Washington that by order of Gen. Otis he met the Filipino officials from the island of Negros, and in order to demonstrate that the voluntary surrender of the insurgent forces there was appreciated, gave instructions that the Iloilo post-office should begin at once exchanging mails with Bacolod. The Spanish stamps were to be recognized, or unpaid postage collected at the rate of two cents per ounce.

Foreigners are Coming.

The emigrant season to the U. S. opened last week with the usual rush. The steamers have steerage passengers booked several weeks ahead and it is calculated that the Irish exodus will approach that of recent summers. The Teutonic, Canada, Ultonia and Campana, sailing on Saturday, took together 2,000 Irish emigrants. The Teutonic's contingent is 800, and even then she was obliged to leave 60 behind, as there were no berths available for them.

Killed by Dynamite.

The wife and daughter of John Carrington, farmer living about eight miles east of Veedersburg, Ind., were killed by a dynamite explosion, which wrecked their house. Carrington has been talked of with bright prospects of some of them being added to Caro's industries.

Our Trade With the New Possessions.

Acting Secretary of War Meiklejohn has given out for publication some interesting statistics regarding the trade of the U. S. with the islands of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. The returns for February show an increase of imports from the islands into this country amounting to $374,408 and a corresponding increase of exports from the U. S. to the islands of $693,259 as compared with the same month a year ago.

Vice-President Hobert is slowly recovering from his recent illness. However, he is still confined to his bed.

According to the latest advices from the seat of hostilities in Bolivia, the federalists or insurgents, now hold Cochabamba, Potosi and Santa Cruz, but President Alonzo has reduced their positions near Oruro.

Twenty inmates of the state industrial home for incorrigible girls, in Chillicothe, Mo., made a break for liberty, armed with butcher knives and other weapons. They drove back the guards, but were finally run down and captured by the police, after a long chase.

Italy has been formally invited to the disarmament conference at The Hague and has appointed as one of her delegates Marquis Visconti Venesta, minister of foreign affairs in the late Rudini cabinet. This is held to imply that the vatican will not be invited to send a delegate.

Advices received at Lima, Peru, in regard to the revolution in Bolivia say the situation at Oruro, where President Alonzo has established his base of operations, and that the banks of Sucre, the capital of Bolivia, have refused to furnish any funds to President Alonzo's government, hence the Bolivians may win the fight.

The exports to the United States during the last three months for the northern half of Germany were $12,783,200, against $9,128,000 in 1898, of which sugar amounted to $3,739,964 against $384,638. In the Berlin district alone the increase was $173,447.

WAR NOTES.

A special from Manila announces the death of Gen. Montenegro, who was the most aggressive, and, next to Aguinaldo, the most influential, of the insurgent leaders. The announcement was made by the pacifico who recently arrived in Manila that Gen. Montenegro died in battle. Gen. Antonio Montenegro, the Filipino chief, was assistant to Aguinaldo, was generally feared by his troops owing to the severity of his discipline. Many of his subordinate officers have been executed at his command on the charge of untrustworthiness.

Gens. Lawton and King recently launched an expedition of three gunboats, with 1,500 picked men in canoes, in tow of the gunboats. The object of the expedition is to cross the lake, capture Santa Cruz and sweep the country to the south. The expedition, which embarked at San Pedro Macati, consisted of eight companies of the 14th infantry, three companies of the 4th cavalry, four of the North Dakota volunteers, four of the Idaho volunteers, two mountain guns and 200 sharpshooters of the 14th infantry.

The banditti question in the province of Santiago de Cuba is assuming much more serious proportions. In spite of the fact that there have been many arrests in the neighborhood of Sancti Spiritus, including the principal leaders, the number of outlaws is increasing instead of diminishing. The gendarmes are practically worthless unless they are with American troops.

Gen. Lawton succeeded in raising the American flag over Santa Cruz after a spirited conflict in which 26 Americans were wounded. The native forces, commanded by a Chinese, was driven into mountains, after having 68 slain, a large number wounded and captured. An American general has expressed the opinion that 200,000 men would now be necessary to conquer the islands for the United States.

Dr. L. Mitchell, assistant comptroller of the treasury, in a decision rendered holds that while the marine corps cannot be understood to be a part of the navy for all purposes, the officers and enlisted men of the corps who were appointed or enlisted therein for the war only, and were honorably discharged, are entitled to the extra pay granted by the act of March 3, 1898.

The strike on the United railroads in Havana is assuming a serious character. The number of strikers has been increased to 1,500. The company has offered to reinstate many of the strikers places. Commercial and personal interests are suffering and it is declared that the strikers will prevent new men from working. If disorders occur the military authorities will interfere.

The United States cruiser Charleston, which has been cruising along the west coast of Luzon to the north, sent a boat in shore near Dagupan the other day to make soundings. The rebels opened fire, wounded a United States officer. The cruiser thereupon bombarded the town, the insurgent's evacuating it.

Insurgents made a desperate attempt to break our line of railroad communication the other night by attacking Gen. McArthur's forces, but were driven back by Gen. Wheaton with heavy loss. The American casualties was three killed and 14 wounded.

Aguinaldo has issued a decree directing that Spanish shall be the official language throughout the archipelago, and protesting against the American pretension to force the use of English on the native who do not know it.

Gen. Otis has ordered the war department to send the transport Sherman to bring Manila with 1,000 wounded soldiers, which included all that were able to be sent home at that time.

The casualties in the Philippines from Feb. 4 to April 4, 1899, inclusive, as reported to the adjutant-general, are: Killed, 243; wounded, 936; total, 1,179.

The President has appointed Col. Adelbert L. Buffington to be brigadier-general and chief of the bureau of ordnance to succeed the late Gen. Flagler.

BRIEF NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

Floods are causing much damage in Montana.

Frank Fisher, an elephant trainer, was crushed to death by an enraged elephant at Argentine, Kas., the other day.

The Presbyterian Foreign Mission society is taking measures toward active missionary work in the Philippine islands. $7,000 has been handed to the society.

A syndicate with $200,000,000 backing, composed of New York, Philadelphia and Chicago men, are negotiating for the purchase of all the Chicago street car systems.

De Grey Cleaves, who figured in a sensational divorce case in Seattle, Wash., a few years ago, committed suicide at the insane hospital in Indianapolis by hanging.

Two Negroes, Forest Jamison and Mose Anderson, were lynched by a mob for the murder of Dr. H. Cleland, a stock farmer who resided 12 miles east of Brooksville, Miss.

Italian warships have landed troops at San Mun bay, provinces of Chi Kiang, China, where the Italian government has been seeking a 99-year lease of a naval base and coaling station.

A soldier at Matanzas, one of a squad cleaning the court yard of the castle, found a Spanish gold piece. The members of the squad immediately staked off claims in the western style and dug up the whole yard, finding coins dated all the way from 1730 to 1808, and worth three hundred and six American dollars.

The negotiations between Sheng Tajen, director-general of Chinese railroads, and the American syndicate regarding the Hankow-Canton line, are on a standstill on a question of financial control, similar to that raised over the Niu-Chwang railway.

W. K. Vanderbilt's country home, Idle Hour, at Oakdale, L. I., has been totally destroyed by fire. Vanderbilt, jr., and bride were occupying the house at the time. Fortunately no lives were lost or injured. The loss is estimated at from $250,000 to $300,000.

The Italian government, according to a special dispatch to Rome, has declined to give Colombia any further time in which to pay the Cerruti indemnity under Mr. Cleveland's award, and has ordered the Atlantic squadron to proceed immediately to Cartagena to "bring the Colombians to their senses."

GEN. MAXIMO GOMEZ

Will Again Agitate Cuban Independence and Separation From the U. S.

The Cuban military assembly being dead, Gen. Maximo Gomez will take up his program of solidifying the Cuban people into a party that shall, without ceasing, urge the United States to withdraw from the island. His purpose is to make the people seem to have but one end in view, desire the thought of independence and of absolute separation from the U.S Gen. Gomez, if reinstated, would be of great service to the United States in the disbursement of the $3,000,000, but his real program would be the keeping up of agitation and disturbance in the minds of the people and the weakening of American authority by producing the impression that everything done by the Americans is temporary, and may sooner or later be overturned, hence American observers consider any such agitation as extremely harmful to the industrial revival and the restoration of Cuban credit.

To the Disarmament Congress.

The secretary of state has announced the constitution of the United States delegation to the disarmament congress which will meet at The Hague in the latter part of May. The delegation consists of Andrew White, U. S. ambassador at Berlin; Mr. Newell, U. S. minister to the Netherlands; President Seth Low, of the Columbia university, New York; Capt. Crozier, ordinance department, U. S. army, and Capt. A. T. Mahan, U. S. navy, retired. Frederick Holls, of New York, will be secretary of the delegation.

Another Disastrous New York Fire.

As a result of a big fire in the wealthiest resident portion of New York City, 11 people were cremated and many thousands of dollars worth of property went up in smoke. The fires were in the homes of Wallace C. Andrews and Albert J. Adams. The former and his wife were victims of the disaster, having perished in each other's arms. It is supposed that the cause of the fire was an explosion of gas.

Racial War in Hawaii.

News has been received of a racial battle between the Japanese and Chinese laborers on the Kahuku plantation, in Hawaii. The Chinese were taken entirely unawares. The Japanese wielded spiked clubs, knives and axes, and before the Chinese could arm they had overcome three of their men were killed and a dozen or more seriously wounded, some fatally, and about 40 slightly.

Stephen J. Field Dead.

Ex-Justice of the Supreme Court Stephen J. Field died at his home on Capitol hill, Washington, on the 9th inst., of kidney complications. Deceased was born in Haddam, Ct., Nov. 4, 1816. About 10 months ago he retired from the supreme court bench, and since that time has enjoyed comparative good health for a short time previous to his death.

Commission has Reached an Agreement.

The tripartite commission, the three powers, the United States, Great Britain and Germany, has reached an agreement on two propositions, namely: The appointment by each power of a high commissioner to Samoa and negotiate the conditions prevailing at Samoa, and the making of unanimity necessary in all decisions of these high officials.

Perished in the Klondike.

L. J. Malone, of Boston, who recently arrived at Seattle, Wash., from Copper river, Alaska, brings news that a lawyer named French, formerly of Chicago, perished on Valdes glacier about three weeks ago. His body was recovered and buried at Valdes. About 100 destitute prospectors at Valdes are being cared for by Government Agent Charles Brown.

Terrence Anderson, of Plymouth, Pa., who was demented, committed suicide by jumping down an 800 foot shaft at the Delaware & Hudson mine.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York—				
Best grades	$4 75@5 40	$4 75	$6 50	$4 20
Lower grades	2 75@4 70	3 50	4 25	4 00
Chicago—				
Best grades	$5 60@5 80	$ 85	$ 60	$ 95
Lower grades	2 75@4 75	3 00	4 50	3 85
Detroit—				
Best grades	$4 90@5 40	$ 45	$ 60	$ 80
Lower grades	2 50@4 75	3 00	4 50	3 90
Buffalo—				
Best grades	$4 90@5 50	$ 10	$ 30	$ 00
Lower grades	2 75@4 90	4 25	5 75	3 50
Cleveland—				
Best grades	$4 80@5 18	$ 00	$ 75	$ 95
Lower grades	2 75@4 00	2 25	3 50	3 85
Cincinnati—				
Best grades	$4 85@5 15	$ 00	$ 00	$ 95
Lower grades	2 75@4 75	3 50	4 75	3 65
Pittsburg—				
Best grades	$5 00@5 65	$ 10	$ 60	$ 15
Lower grades	2 50@4 90	1 25	4 75	3 80

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
	No 2 red	No 2 mix	No 2 white
New York	81 @81½	42@43	36@36
Chicago	72 @72¾	34@34½	30@32½
*Detroit	74 @74½	35@35½	32½@32½
Toledo	73 @73½	39@35	29@30
Cincinnati	73@74	36@36½	29@29½
Cleveland	73 @73½	37@37½	33 @33½
Pittsburg	76 @76¾	37@37½	34@34½
Buffalo	74@74¾	36 @36½	32@32½

*Detroit—Hay, No. timothy, $8 50 per ton. Potatoes, 85c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 15c per lb; fowls, 8c; ducks, 10c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 13c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 17c per lb; creamery, 21c.

Admiral Dewey says he is a sailor and not a politician, therefore he will not accept the Presidential nomination under any circumstances.

The President has selected Bartlett Tripp, of South Dakota, formerly minister to Austria, as the U. S. representative on the Samoan joint commission.

There is every indication that not less than 5,000 miles of new railway will be built in the U. S. in 1899, representing an investment of about $150,000,000. At the present time over 4,000 miles are either under contract or actually under construction.

A riot, in which three men were seriously injured and a dozen others cursed by flying stones and pieces of iron, occurred at Chicago the other day between about 30 structural iron workers. Revolvers, knives and clubs were freely used. All the men engaged were union men, and the trouble was over the question iron workers doing inside work.

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