IN OUR GREAT STATE.

THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN BRIEFLY RELATED.

A Soo Man's Klondike Experience Cost Him $5,000—A Mt. Clemens Burglar Ran Into a Charge of Shot—The State Land Office Record Broken.

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Capt. Jay Hursley, president of the Soo-Yukon Mining Co., of Sault Ste. Marie, has arrived home from the Klondike. The party left the Soo a year ago last April. They failed to locate a claim in the vicinity of Rampart City, but secured five claims in the Cape Nome district, which the captain believes will turn out well. The captain speaks in very disparaging terms of the Yukon country and claims that it is nothing but a gigantic fraud boomed for the transportation companies, and the subsidized press of Seattle. A man is foolish to leave any kind of a position to go there and a poor man has no business there under any circumstances. Not one out of 5,000 ever strikes anything there. There are over 3,000 people at St. Michaels unable to get out of the country for lack of means to pay their transportation, and much suffering must ensue. When he left St. Michaels there were 60 river boats, coasting from $50 to $10,000; which could be bought for a song. Many of these were beached and left to rot. Mr. Hursley's experience in the Klondike cost him about $5,000.

Burglars Struck the Wrong Place.

One of the two burglars who have been operating in Mt. Clemens and vicinity for the past six weeks, has been put out of business temporarily if not permanently. Early on the morning of Aug. 8th, Solomon Widrig, a farmer living in Chesterfield township, about four miles from Mt. Clemens, heard two men working at the front door of his residence. Widrig quietly slipped out of bed and secured his gun. Then he located himself in the middle of the hall, as the door opened in, and awaited developements. As soon as the door opened and a man appeared Widrig fired. The man gave a frightful yell, turned and fled, assisted by his companion. Widrig made no attempt to follow the men or fire again. The would-be burglars left a bloody trail for some distance.

Land Office Disposed of 39,287 Acres.

During the fiscal year ending June 30 the state land office disposed of 39,287 acres of land as follows: Agricultural college land, 12,527.70 acres; primary school land, 17,653.88 acres; swamp land, 8,206.41 acres; patented homesteads, 836.05 acres. The state lands over 12,000 acres of land were sold to parties interested in copper mining. The 39,287 acres of land were sold for $170,815.83, of which $165,587.55 has been received, $5,228.28 remaining unpaid. The sales of land during the year have been the largest in the history of the department, the demand for hard wood and mining lands being chiefly responsible for the increase.

Old Ordnance Stores Won't be Accepted.

In spite of Gov. Pingree's protest to the effect that Michigan would not accept old ordnance stores from the general government in place of new supplies furnished the soldiers, a carload of old blankets, canteen tents, etc., has been received at Lansing from the Rock Island arsenal. The goods were probably shipped before the governor telegraphed his protest, but they will not be touched by the state military authorities until the general government consents to take back the material which the state refuses to accept.

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Weekly Crop Bulletin.

The weekly crop bulletin, issued by the Michigan weather bureau, says that frequent showers have continued to interfere with haying in the upper peninsula, but otherwise the weather conditions of the past week have been generally favorable for harvest work and crop growth. Wheat and rye harvest is about completed in the most northerly counties, while thrashing has been general in all parts of the lower peninsula. With favorable condition the oat harvest has progressed rapidly, and in the four southern tiers of counties the crop is nearly all cut and mostly secured; thrashing returns show that the oat crop is generally good. Corn has made good progress and is earing nicely; it is silking as far north as Emmet and Leelanau counties. Late potatoes and beans have also made good progress and are in a more promising condition. Sugar beets are growing nicely, except in a few of the more northerly counties. Light scattered showers which have fallen in the lower peninsula have been very beneficial, but more rain is needed for pastures and for fall plowing on clay ground. Fall plowing is general in the southern counties and just beginning in the central and northern counties. The condition of apple trees at present indicates a light and rather poor crop; apples have been dropping badly, while those remaining on the trees are rather poor and scabby.

Collision on the Detroit River.

A little after midnight on Aug. 5th as the car ferry Lansdowne, which is used by the Grand Trunk line in transferring cars between Detroit and Windsor, was backing out of the slip on the American side, the steam barge W. B. Morley collided with her. It was a head-on collision on the part of the Morley as she struck the ferry squarely in the center of the two tracks laid on each side of the deck, penetrating her hull for a distance of 11 feet. Both boats were sunk, but fortunately no lives were lost.

79 County Houses in the State.

A canvass just completed by Labor Commissioner Cox shows that 79 of the 82 counties of the state have county houses. Of these buildings 29 are of brick, 7 stone, 19 brick and stone, 2 brick veneered, 21 wood, 1 wood and stone. Seventeen counties reported the aggregate value of court houses to be $4,455,300, an average of $57,861. The number of counties having jails is 79. Of these 35 are brick, 9 stone, 21 brick and stone, 1 brick and wood, 1 wood and steel.

Victims of Fire.

The use of kerosene for the purpose of starting obstinate kitchen stove fires cost one woman her life and also that of her babe, still born, on the morning of Aug. 3d, and, in all probability, a second unfortunate mother will give up her life for a like reason. The one disaster occurred at about the same hour in the morning as the other did in the evening. The victims are Mrs. Mary E. Ronan, Mrs. Ida Mazukowski and her little baby, all of Detroit.

Takes Cash to Run Our State.

That it takes a whole lot of money to conduct the business of a great state is amply demonstrated by the report of State Treasurer Steel for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, which has just been completed. The report shows that the balance on hand at the beginning of the year was $1,216,212.61; total receipts for the year, $4,576,874.98; total disbursements, $4,391,081.71; balance on hand at close of year, $1,402,055.88.

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STATE GOSSIP.

Charlevoix is to have a new life saving station.

Columbiaville is to have electric street lights before long.

Stittsville Methodists dedicated their new church last week.

Mrs. John Schotten, of Fillmore, killed herself with paris green. She leaves 10 children and a husband.

Preparations for building the Marshall, Colomes & Northeastern railroad from Marshall to Bay City has been commenced.

Ann Arbor is considering the advisability of assuring municipal ownership of the water works plant. The scheme meets with great favor.

The annual reunion of the Lenawee county association of old soldiers and sailors has been postponed from Aug. 8, the date originally set, to Aug. 29.

W. R. Harmon's grocery at Charlotte was burglarized recently and stock and coin amounting to $50 was taken. The entrance was effected through a rear window.

Five women while berry-picking near Standish were nearly scared to death by the sudden appearance of a bear. They screamed so fearfully that bruin turned and fled.

Oceana county farmers have made good money out of their pea crop this year, the canning factory at Hart having taken all they raised. The total output of the cannery was 1,300,000 cans.

Robt. O'Shea, aged 45, of Mt. Clemens, suicided at Niagara Falls on the 7th by jumping into the Niagara river from the bridge which spans the gorge. He was drunk and doubtless wanted to sober up.

The village council at Armada will call a special election on the question of water works. A committee is now looking up estimates. The council has also passed a resolution placing liquor bonds at $6,000.

The annual picnic of the Pioneer association, comprising Fairfield, Madison, Palmyra and Ogden townships, will meet in Baker's grove, near Fairfield, on Aug. 11. A fine program has been arranged.

L. A. Tomkins, of Alpena, who took a dose of morphine to induce sleep, died Aug 8th. He was unconscious for 48 hours. He had been in business there for 23 years. He leaves a widow and two children.

There is much excitement at St. Joseph over the discovery of the remains of nine new-born babies which had been buried in the cellar back of the National hotel, a house that bore a rather unsavory reputation.

A bridge crossing the river one and one-half miles west of Evart gave way with a threshing machine, driven by Walter Shippey and an assistant, who were in charge of the engine, escaped with more or less serious injuries.

A small and harmless mouse practically broke up the service at the Congregational church at Potterville on Sunday. The women couldn't listen to what the minister was saying, their whole attention being given to locating the little rodent.

Negotiations are now in progress looking toward the purchase by Illinois men of the car works plant at Muskegon, and if the deal goes through an agricultural implement factory will be started there, which will give employment to about 100 men.

A Maccabee picnic will be held in St. Joseph August 24, and the day of the picnic marriages will be entirely free. The weddings will occur on the local hotel verandas and lawns, ministers, and all other necessaries will be free of charge. This will no doubt draw a large crowd.

While cutting brush at Pinckney, Edward Kennedy came upon a quail and a hen, both setting upon one nest. In the nest were 12 quail eggs and six hen eggs. They were not molested, and the two returned to their material duties. It is a conundrum as to which will own the chicks and which the birds.

Attorney-General Chase went to Coldwater recently, where he looked up the estates of two insane people, who have for a long time been maintained as state patients. The result of his visit will be the payment to the state of $1,700, and the further maintenance of these individuals at their own expense.

The plant for the manufacture of starch from potatoes at East Tawas is nearly completed and active operations will begin about October 1. Forty hands will be given employment in the factory, while 100 or more farmers in the vicinity will be directly benefited by being furnished a good home market for their crops.

Gang Plank Collapsed.

A score of persons were killed by the collapse of a gang plank of a ferry at Mt. Desert Ferry, Me., on Aug. 6th, when 200 people were thrown into the water. The work of rescue was immediately begun, but in the panic the people in the water clutched one another and many sank thus in groups in a death grapple. Many taken from the water unconscious were revived with difficulty. The complete list of dead shows that 20 persons were drowned.

The political situation in Haiti is causing anxiety. Numerous arrests have been made. Among those taken into custody are M. Doubillon, a former minister of the interior, and M. Du Vivier, a newspaper man. Du Vivier made strong resistance, and succeeded in entering the United States legation, bringing with him the officers detailed to take him. The officers, however, were able to take their prisoner outside the legation doors. United States Minister Powell entered a protest and demanded the release of the prisoner, gave way and Du Vivier was set at liberty.

A Cuban committee has started out with the intention of giving the native free instruction on certain points. The members of the committee say a definite form of government for the island will soon be determined upon, and they urge every citizen to at least learn to write, pointing out that there is no question now of fighting for independence, but that every man must say clearly what he wishes in regard to the future of the island, adding that they will only have themselves to blame if, on account of apathy, they have to complain later they incapable of their social and political regeneration.

NEWSY GENERALITIES

ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

Adherents of Jiminez Have Taken Up Arms and the Government Troops are Joining the Revolutionists—The Dreyfus Trial has Commenced.

Italian Vatican Worried.

A dispatch from Rome says that Riciotti Garibaldi, son of the liberator, discussing the likelihood of a Republican government for Italy, has caused great excitement at the Vatican, and much annoyed the cardinals belonging to the group which has not abandoned all hope of reconciliation with the monarchy. A member of the Sacred college, who belongs neither to this nor to the opposing faction, and who was formerly nuncio in a great capital, and is thoroughly familiar with the complications and difficulties of the diplomatic position of the papacy, gave his opinion on the question raised by the interview. "With the exception of a few narrow-minded men," he said, "everyone among the higher Italian clergy is convinced that the temporal power such as it existed before 1870, has had its day, and that an absolute restoration of the status quo would be a calamity for the church of Rome. What was possible 30 years ago is impossible now. People are accustomed to lay institutions which imply many things incompatible with a clerical government. We are convinced that such a government would not last long or exist amid struggles such as disturbed the reign of Pius IX."

Trolley Car Plunged Into a Mill Pond.

Nearly 30 people were killed by an accident on the Stratford extension of the Shelton street railway company at Ansonia, on the afternoon of Aug. 6th, when a loaded trolley car went off the trestle over Peck's mill pond, about six miles north of Bridgeport, Ct., and sank in the flats 40 feet below. The trestle is 440 feet long, made of iron, with stone foundations, and was not protected by guard rails. South of the trestle is an incline down which the car ran at a high rate of speed. After it ran onto the trestle for about 10 feet the trucks left the rails and then the car continued on the ties for about 75 feet, when it went off the trestle and dropped into the pond below, overturning completely and upended. When the car struck, the four-ton motor and the heavy trucks crushed into it, instantly killing many of the passengers.

Have Taken Up Arms.

Gens. Pablo Reyes, Ramon Pacheco, Ulena Ocavarro and Jose Polo and Jose Jiminez have taken up arms in Santo Domingo in favor of Don Juan Isidro Jiminez, and occupy the plains of Chaguel and Curabo, as far as Jose de las Matas, as well as the towns of Gurabito, Quinneta, Manzanillo and Dajabon, abandoned by the troops of the government of Santo Domingo. More than half these troops are said to have gone over to the camp of Gen. Pacheco, who is reported to have more than 800 well-armed men under his command. Gen. Cuellilo, governor of Monte Christi, who, it is claimed, has already lost half his troops, who have gone over to the enemy, is in a desperate position and unable to attack the revolutionists. It is added that he will be obliged to capitulate.

An 8-Years-Old Aeronaut.

During the balloon ascension at Fremont, O., on the 3d, by Aeronaut Harry Davis, of Delphos, thousands witnessed a thrill-ng sight not down on the program. Guy ropes holding the balloon became entangled about the arm of 8-year-old Lester Miller, just as the balloon shot up in the air, carrying the boy with it, suspended by one arm and shouting for help. The balloonist did not notice his companion until they were fully 1,000 feet in the air. He immediately cut the parachute loose, which changed the balloon's course, and fortunately all reached the ground alive, but the balloonist was more or less injured and the boy's arm was displaced.

Does England Intend to Fight?

The imperial government and the dominion authorities have decided to increase both the militia force of Canada and militia forces at Victoria, B. C., and at Pacific coast depots of the British army and navy. Coming at a time when the relations between Canada and the United States are acknowledge by Premier Laurier to be rather strained over the Alaskan boundary question, it looks as though Great Britain and Canada were determined to assert their claims to those portions of Alaska demanded by Canada, by force of arms if necessary.

Dreyfus in Court.

The celebrated Dreyfus court-martial trial opened at Rennes, France, Aug. 7th. Every seat in the military jury room was filled a quarter of an hour before proceedings opened. Capt. Dreyfus answered the opening questions of the judge as to his name, age, etc., in a clear, determined voice. As the trial proceeded the prisoner shows himself very keen of intellect, and several times he has corrected the judge's statements as to certain dates.

On Aug. 2 there were confined in the Jackson prison 788 convicts, the smallest number in eight years.

A race riot occurred at the Poe cotton mills near Greenville, C., on the 7th in which one white man and five Negroes were wounded. Early in the evening several Negroes fired into the home of Mr. Greenberg, a mill operator, while he and his family were at supper. No one was struck by the shots but Greenberg and his friends followed the Negroes, capturing the leader. He was taken to jail.

Complications have arisen in connection with the laying of the cornerstone of the new federal building at Chicago which may interfere with the arrangements, if they do not upset them entirely. The officers of the Chicago stonecutters' union say there will be no cornerstone laying, unless President McKinley or some other visiting official takes off his coat, lifts the stone into position himself, smears the mortar which is to set it, trues it up and leaves it as it is to stand, as long as the building lasts. The trouble has been brought about because non-union men are doing the stonecutting.

WELCOMED HOME.

Gen. and Mrs. Alger Receive a Glorious Welcome to Their Home.

The home-coming of Gen. and Mrs. R. A. Alger was buoyant beneath the unqualified spontaneity of the greeting given the ilonored man and woman as they left the cars at the Michigan Central station on the afternoon of Aug. 2. They passed through "all home" and from the festoons of bunting in the station, the "Welcome Home" in purple and white flowers, the men, women and children that lined the walks and corridors of the great building and along the line of march, there was generated an unmistakable spirit of affectionate regard and loyal enthusiasm such as must have found its way to the hearts of the distinguished guests. In front of the city hall, which was prettily decorated and illuminated, a large reviewing stand had been erected where the welcoming addresses by Mayor Maybury in behalf of the city and Gov. Pingree in behalf of the state were made.

The mayor confined himself to the home-coming of the general and the pleasure it gave him to be able to assure Mr. Alger that he was received at his home with the same confidence, affection and esteem that has been with him all the years of his life.

Gov. Pingree in his speech took occasion to censure the President for his treatment of the general and said that the people of Michigan regarded the affair as a state insult. Senator McMillan came in for his share of criticism at the hands of the governor. The 10,000 listeners endorsed the governor's sentiments by hearty applause at intervals during his speech.

Mr. Alger responded to the welcoming speeches in a few words, but his utterances expressed emotions of gratitude for his royal welcome home. Gen. Alger's speech in full was as follows:

"Mr. Mayor and Governor, and my fellow-citizens: I have no words. I can command no language to express the emotions of my heart and my gratitude to you for this royal welcome to my home. I am glad from the bottom of my heart to be released from official cares and again enter the old home and live among the people of Michigan. Since I went away, two and one-half years ago, as you know, the country has been through a terrific struggle. The office of which I was the head was taxed to the utmost of every man's strength who occupied any position in it. I gave my best thought and honest effort, and did everything I could to carry out my part of that great work. What has been done is a matter of record, and I am perfectly willing to rest the case with my countrymen. Every transaction, every order, and everything that was done in conducting that war is a matter of record, and the people have a right to have that record searched. And now, my fellow-citizens, I come home without a grievance. During that struggle and while that great work was upon me I can truthfully say that I had from the President all the support that he could give. We went through the struggle and came out victorious. We transported across the seas more than 150,000 men, one way and the other, without an accident. We fought battles in Manila, in the Philippines, in Cuba and Porto Rico, and we never lost a battle, a color, a prisoner or a gun. Wherever the American flag was planted by the American soldier, there it stands and there it shall stand forever.

"But, sir, I have no speech to make. I am glad to be among you again, a private citizen, and that I can trave these streets and meet you in social and friendly intercourse as of old, and I propose to stay here the balance of my life. Good night."

A Horrible Crime.

A horrible murder was committed in the northeastern section of Washington on the 6th. The murderer was Benjamin H. Snell, a special examiner in the pension office, a man about 45 years of age. His victim was Liza Weissenberger, a girl 13 years of age, who had been employed in his household until a few months ago, when she was taken home by her parents, who became suspicious of Snell's conduct toward her. Snell seemed to be infatuated with the child and paid her a great deal of attention, which, however, she resented. On the day of the tragedy Snell went to the home of the girl, and, finding her asleep, cut her throat with a razor and nearly severed the head from the body. He than attempt to make his escape but was caught by the police and lodged in jail.

Spain Must Import Wheat and Sugar.

In a communication to the secretary of state Austrain Consul Merttens, temporarily in charge of the American consulate at Valencia, Spain, reports a shortage of the wheat crop for the year, making it necessary to import large quantities of the cereal for the year. Notwithstanding this fact there has been so far during the year a noticeable falling off of the importations from the United States. Of 56,000 tons received during the month of May only 5,000 tons were shipped from the United States. He says that one trial parcel of 1,000 tons was brought all the way from Australia and a considerably quantity came from a British dep. Mr. Merttens says there is a strong demand for outside sugar, the home factories being unable to meet the requirements of the market.

The town of Carrabelle, a prosperous port on the Gulf of Mexico, southwest of Tallahassee, Fla., is reported almost completely destroyed by a terrific wind and rain storm which passed through that section on Aug. 2d. Many boats, which were in the harbor, have been wrecked and most of the long wharf is gone, together with large quantities of naval stores. At Lanark, the boat houses, pavilion and boats have been destroyed. The turpentine interests in this section are greatly damaged and much damage had been done to crops.

The withdrawal of several companies of troops from Cleveland was followed by another dynamiting outrage on the evening of Aug. 3d, but fortunately no one was hurt. The explosion occurred under a Jennings avenue car, on which there were six passengers. It smashed the flange of one of the wheels and splintered the running board at the side. The passengers were badly frightened, but none were injured, and the car proceeded on its way to the end of the run.

The yellow fever situation at Hampton, Va., Aug. 3, was in a favorable condition. No new cases and no deaths.

WAR NOTES.

A special from Washington says: Some uneasiness prevails in military circles as to the attitude of China toward the Filipinos, as the result of her refusal to permit the shipment of horses purchased by agents of Gen. Otis to Manila, on the ground that they are "contraband of war." While the British government has not formally recognized the belligerency of Aguinaldo and his followers, her announcement that horses are "contraband" is regarded as dangerously near such recognition. Officials interpret her action to mean that China holds that this government, instead of being engaged in the suppression of an insurrection, is involved in a war, and that goods purchased by it in her empire for the use of the American army is consequently contraband. This government has taken no diplomatic notice of China's declaration.

Aguinaldo has appealed to the powers for recognition of "Filipino independence," in a document dated from Tarlac, July 27, and signed by Buencamino. It has been received by all the foreign consuls in Manila, with the request that they forward it to their respective governments. The Filipinos use their old argument that with him all the power of Spain before the conquered the sovereignty of these islands from Spain before the signing of the treaty of Paris and, therefore, Spain was in no position to cede them to the United States. They argue that the possession of Spanish prisoners captured with their arms, fighting against the Filipinos, "is eloquent proof of the nullity of Spanish sovereignty, as when they surrendered Spain's hold was irrevocably lost."

The City of Peking, which sailed from San Francisco for Hong Kong by way of Honolulu and Yokohama, took among her cargo 321,440 pounds of shot, the first shipment of the kind ever made to Japan. In addition there were 107,650 pounds of pig lead and 43,758 pounds of sheet lead. Just to what use this rather unusual shipment is going to be put is not known, but suggestions have been made that it may be intended to smuggle it into Manila for the use of Aguinaldo and his army.

Gen. MacArthur's force, consisting of 4,000 men, advanced five miles beyond San Fernando on Aug 9th and encountered and defeated a Filipino force of 6,000 men. The enemy retreated, leaving many dead and wounded. The American loss is killed and wounded was 20.

It is known to be a fact that $10,000,000 of English capital has been invested in Cuban tobacco plantations, which will enable the investors to control the Cuban tobacco market.

During the shelling of Paete, near Santa Cruz, by the gunboat Capidan recently, one child was killed, many buildings damaged and the people fled to the hills terrified.

John Markwith, of Orange, N. J., who is 80 years old, is recovering his second eyesight and cutting his third set of teeth.

The gas works of the Logansport & Wabash Valley Gas Co., at Wabash, Ind., were destroyed by a terrific explosion on Aug. 7th, which shook the city.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the number of games of ball played by the Western and National Leagues, giving the number of games won and lost, together with the percentage of each club to date. Tuesday, August 8, is specific:

WESTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

Clubs	Games Played	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Indianapolis	87	55	32	.632
Minneapolis	93	55	38	.591
Detroit	91	48	43	.527
Grand Rapids	90	46	44	.511
St. Paul	92	42	50	.457
Milwaukee	90	40	50	.444
Buffalo	91	40	51	.440
Kansas City	94	38	56	.404

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

Clubs	Games Played	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Brooklyn	93	61	32	.656
Boston	93	59	34	.634
Philadelphia	95	57	38	.600
Baltimore	93	55	38	.591
Chicago	93	51	42	.548
Cincinnati	93	51	42	.548
St. Louis	96	52	44	.542
Pittsburg	95	48	47	.505
Louisville	91	40	51	.440
New York	90	37	53	.411
Washington	96	35	61	.365
Cleveland	96	17	81	.173

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York—				
Best grades	$4 90@5 20	$4 75	$7 00	$4 85
Lower grades	3 25@4 75	3 25	5 25	4 75
Chicago—				
Best grades	5 35@5 65	5 00	6 00	4 95
Lower grades	4 40@5 30	4 50	5 00	4 65
Detroit—				
Best grades	4 00@4 40	4 00	6 00	4 65
Lower grades	2 50@3 75	3 00	4 50	4 40
Buffalo—				
Best grades	5 30@5 60	5 25	6 50	5 00
Lower grades	3 00@3 30	4 75	5 75	4 77
Cincinnati—				
Best grades	5 00@5 35	4 25	6 50	4 75
Lower grades	3 25@4 50	3 25	5 00	3 85
Pittsburg—				
Best grades	5 25@5 70	4 90	6 00	4 95
Lower grades	3 25@5 15	3 87	4 90	4 67

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat, No 2 red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	72@73½	42@42½	27@27½
Chicago	69@69½	30@30½	19@19½
*Detroit—	72@72½	41@41	27@25½
Toledo	71@71½	34@34	25@25½
Cincinnati	69@69½	39@39½	26@26
Pittsburg	74@74½	36@36	27@27½
Buffalo	73@73½	39@39	26½@26½

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, $11 00@12 00. New Potatoes, 35c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 20c per lb; fowls, 8½c; turkeys, 11c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 13c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 15c per lb; creamery, 18c.

Their situation at Guatemala is not so warlike as was at first reported.

A special from the City of Mexico says that news from the lower Yaqui river country is that the roving bands of Indians are killing both Mexicans and Americans, and that a number of Americans in the outlying districts have already been slaughtered. Fears are expressed for the safety of the large number of American prospectors who have been pouring in the Sierra Madre mountains during the last year. It is known that a band of 50 soldiers have been massacred.

Tornado Visited New Jersey.

A tornado with a velocity of 80 miles an hour, a width of three blocks, passed through Elizabeth, N. J., on Aug. 2d, doing damage conservatively estimated at $85,000. It raged for 10 minutes; then rain fell in torrents and afterward the sun came forth. The towers of the First Presbyterian, Third Presbyterian and Central Baptist churches were thrown down, and the Lyceum and Star theaters unroofed. Many other buildings and private dwellings were unroofed. No persons were seriously injured.

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An Enormous Sum Spent in Rebuilding and Re-equipping the N. C. O. R. R.

The receivership of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, which has just come to a close, was remarkable in many ways. Messrs. Cowen and Murray did not follow precedent, but went ahead and placed the property in first-class shape, instead of attempting to manipulate it in the condition that they found it. Of course the receivers were upheld by a majority of the bondholders and the court, but the Baltimore and Ohio receivership marked an epoch in such affairs that will be historical. The vast sums expended were paid out in '96 and '97, when trade was at a low ebb and money scarce. During their administration the receivers purchased 15,350 box cars, 6,751 wooden gondola cars, 6,000 pressed steel cars, 310 miscellaneous freight cars, postal, express and dining equipment, at a total cost of $17,000,000. The 216 locomotives cost nearly two and one-half millions. The steel rail purchased amounted to 123,010 tons, costing $2,142,152, and ties, costing $1,200,000, and 770,000 cubic yards of ballast amounting to $525,000. The steel bridges, aggregate in value $750,000, and fully as much more was spent in improving the several terminals, erecting new buildings, reducing grades and changing the alignment. The maintenance of way payrolls, or the amount paid directly to men employed in making improvements on the track, etc., in three years was nearly twelve millions of dollars. The total amounts to about $35,000,000, of which about $15,000,000 were secured by the issuance of receivers' certificates, and the balance through car trusts, earnings from the property and from the reorganization managers. Most of the purchases of equipment and rail were made when material was low in price and manufacturing concerns were in great need of orders to keep their plants in operation. Steel rails are worth now from $6 to $9 a ton more than when the receivers made their purchases, and locomotives have advanced from $2,000 to $30,000 in price. The equipment alone, if purchased today, would cost $5,000,000 more and the other improvements $1,000,000 more. President Cowen is authority for the statement that the new company intends spending $10,000,000 more in improvements in the next year or two.

The Battlefield Route.

The veterans of '61 and '65 and their friends who are going to attend the thirty-third G. A. R. annual encampment at Philadelphia in September could not select a better nor more historic route than the Big Four and Chesapeake & Ohio, with splendid service from Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis on the Big Four, all connecting at Indianapolis or Cincinnati, and thence over the picturesque Chesapeake & Ohio, along the Ohio river to Huntington, W. Va.; thence through the foothills of the Alleghanies over the meandering James, the famous springs region of Virginia to Staunton, Va., between which point and Washington are many of the most interesting battlefields of Shenandoah, Gordonsville, Cedar Mountain, Rappahannock, Kettle Run, Manassas, Bull Run, Fairfax and a score of others nearly as prominent. Washington is next, and thence on the Pennsylvania Line direct to Philadelphia. There will be three rates in effect for this business—first, continuous passage, with no stop-over privilege; second, going and coming same route, with one stop-over in each direction; third, circuitous route, going one way and back another, with one stop-over in each direction. For full information as to routes, rates, etc., address J. C. Tucker, G. N. A., 234 Clark street, Chicago.

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[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 22,484]

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Mrs. Johnson Saved from Insanity by Mrs. Pinkham

Mrs. Perkins' Letter.

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