# LATEST FROM GREAT STATE.

## THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN BRIEFLY RELATED.

**Old Bounty Claims may Cost the State Thousands of Dollars—Young Ginnan Who Stole $1,300 From a Detroit Bank is Behind the Bars.**

**Sugar Beet Raising in Michigan.**

Prof. Clinton D. Smith, director of the Michigan experiment station, out in the Saginaw valley, which is the center of the sugar beet interest in this country, has been growing sugar beets in Michigan, and is trying to convince a misapprehension existing in the mind of the public that farmers cannot raise beets profitably. Mr. Smith has been connected with the sugar beet factories at Bay City and Alma, and has been in the business for years. He has been growing beets on the college farm at Agricultural College, and has been experimenting with the beet in other parts of the state. He says that the farmers who are growing beets for the factories are getting from $4 to $5 per ton for their beets, and that the average yield per acre is from 12 to 14 tons. He says that the farmers who are growing beets for the factories are getting from $4 to $5 per ton for their beets, and that the average yield per acre is from 12 to 14 tons.

**A Jury and $1,500 Missing.**

**Those Spanish American War Claims.**

The fine work that Washington and other claims for the care and maintenance of indigent and sick veterans of the Spanish American war could be filed under the terms of the law enacted at the special session of the legislature, expired Jan. 31. Auditor-general Dix is in possession of a vast number of claims which are now being tabulated and examined. The law gives the auditor general authority to reject claims that are manifestly improper, and this will be done. While the computation of the claims has not yet been completed, the indications are that the total will exceed the $150,000 added on appropriated at the special session, and in this event the claims will be prorated.

**Emma Stevenson Acquitted.**

Mrs. Emma Stevenson of Detroit, who was charged with manslaughter for shooting James M. Campbell on the 20th of last December, her attorneys put up a plea of self-defense and succeeded in getting the jury that heard the case to agree. Jan was the first time that it was decided that Mrs. Stevenson was guilty of manslaughter in the first degree, and while there was a short and heated

**Iron and Coal at Ionia.**

While boring for a drinking well on the farm of Henry Riesse near Ionia, a 42-inch vein of iron ore was struck at 60 feet. At 150 feet, they went through 14 inches of slate coal, then through a 15-foot vein of hard coal, and another 14 inches of soft coal, and under it all was a 7-foot vein of A No. 1 fire clay, which stood the severest test.

Farmers in the vicinity of Rockwood say they have had enough of sugar beet raising, and that they lost money last year.

By the explosion of a boiler in a saw mill at Akron, Tuscola county, on the 5th, one man was killed and two injured.

Standish already has three churches, but the local Epworthians are thinking of organizing a society and building another.

Intensely cold weather and a heavy snow fall in the upper peninsula blocked railroad traffic and all surface work about the mines on the 31st.

The Michigan Telephone company will at once construct toll-cable telephone stations in the eastern and western part of Grand Rapids to cost $20,000.

## MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Charlotte has an anti-trust club.

Berrien Springs is to have electric lights.

Carleton suffered a fire loss of $1,500 on the 7th.

There are prospects of Homer getting a pickle factory.

An electric line from Saginaw to St. Charles is assured.

Gagetown Masonites will erect a fine hall this coming summer.

Gratiot county Masonic [illegible] formed a [illegible] at the [illegible].

Marshall will have a high school [illegible] a [illegible].

Two men were blown to pieces by the explosion of a powder magazine at the Crystal Falls mine on the 6th.

Marquette suffered a water famine on the 1st. Ice formed in the intake pipe. The temperature the coldest of the year was eight degrees below zero.

Landlord Shaffer, proprietor of the Park hotel at Northville, threatens to close the hotel because he will not be permitted to run a bar in connection. Unfortunately for Northville he is the only hotel in the village.

H. Hood and Dr. Dr. Dunn, of South Haven, became involved in a quarrel over the ownership of a five-cent lead pencil. The dispute was carried into the courts and the doctor had to pay six cents damages and costs.

## NEWSY GENERALITIES

### ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

**Wm. Goebel, Governor Elect of Kentucky, was Shot Down and Fatally Wounded While Walking Through the Capitol Grounds.**

**Goebel Finally Succumbs.**

Wm. Goebel, the man who was recently declared governor of Kentucky by the courts after a hard fight, and who was shot down on the capitol grounds, was declared dead at his rooms at 4:40 o'clock the evening of the 3d. Without a word he gave the command to the universe and [illegible].

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