WHEAT A VERY POOR CROP

Will Average Only About Seven Bushels to the Acre.

CORN AND OATS MUCH BETTER

The Deaths in Michigan for the Month of August was 2,954—The Apportionment of the State Taxes for 1901 Must be Based on the Census of 1894

2,954 Deaths in the State in August.

There were 2,954 deaths in Michigan reported to the department of state and published in the monthly bulletin of vital statistics for August. This number corresponds to a death rate of 14. [illegible] per [illegible] estimated population, as compared with a rate of [illegible] for the preceding month, and a rate of [illegible] for August [illegible]. The mortality of the state of Indiana for August was [illegible] per [illegible] or practically the same as that of Michigan.

[illegible]

No Increase This Year.

[illegible]

Speed and Pope on Trial.

[illegible] to investigate their conduct with the result that they were both cited to show cause why they show not be punished for contempt. Both the attorneys evidently realize they have no picnic party on hand as they not only appeared in person, but Speed is represented by Fred A. Baker and Pope by Fred W. Stevens.

Two Drowned in the Detroit River.

Before the eyes of a multitude of witnesses on the afternoon of the 16th, two youths were drowned in the Detroit river by the capsizing of a small sail boat. There were six in the party, four having been rescued. At the time of the accident the wind was blowing pretty stiff and the sea was quite high for the river. The captain of the boat found himself unable to bring her about in the wind so he was forced to allow the boat to go around with the wind. As the sail jibed the two young men who were drowned allowed themselves to be swung to the lee side and their weight together with the weight of the swinging sails caused the boat to capsize.

Minature Flood at Detroit.

By the breaking of a [illegible] inch water main, shortly before 6 o'clock on the morning of the 12th, Detroit was visited by a minature Galveston flood. The water supply all over the city was affected, very few houses having sufficient water to prepare the morning meal. Business houses and factories were considerably inconvenienced for a few hours, but by 9 o'clock the water board had succeeded in shutting off the flood and was supplying the city through other mains. The total loss will not exceed $10,000.

Will Cost the State $30,000.

It is estimated that it will cost the state $30,000 to appraise the value of Michigan railroads and other corporate property paying specific taxes in the state. The state board of auditors will be called on to foot the bills, but the state tax commission has power under the law to make the appraisal and the expense must be paid. Several men are now at work under the direction of Prof. Cooley.

Up to the morning of the 24th Detroit had sent $4,000 to Galveston sufferers.

The Hills Masonic Temple at Muskegon, the gift of Chas. T. Hills to the local Masonic body, was dedicated on the 12th.

About [illegible] attended the reunion of the Soldiers' and Sailors' association at Marine City on the 11th and 12th.

A L. S. & M. S. brakeman was blown off the roof of a freight car at Hillsdale on the night of the 11th and instantly killed.

Two more fatal street railway accidents occurred at Detroit on the night of the 15th. The victims were a youth aged 17 and an old man.

Michigan Second as a Sugar State.

"The observations of William A. French on the beet sugar industry in Michigan form a feature of the annual report of the state land commissioner which will soon be issued. "The person who three years ago would have asserted that Michigan would stand second as a beet sugar producing state," says the report, "would have been classed as a crank, but he would have been speaking correctly, as that is Michigan's standing at present. When the legislature of 1897 made an appropriation of $10,000 for the payment of bounty upon sugar manufactured during the years 1897 and 1898 some of the lawmakers thought the amount too large, yet it fell short $[illegible] with only one factory in operation."

Brumm's Mind is Now O. K.

[illegible]

Gov. Pingree Takes a Hand.

[illegible]

Disease in Michigan.

[illegible]

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

[illegible]

NEWSY BREVITIES.

Li Hung Chang arrived at Tien Tsin on the 16th.

It is rumored Russia will winter 15,000 troops at Chi Pi.

The British troops have begun an attack on Shanghai.

Cholera deaths in India for week ending Sept. 1 totaled 5,951.

The election at Cuba was quiet and perfectly orderly all over the island.

Prince [illegible] of Saxony, was killed in a [illegible] at Walkan on the [illegible].

Lieut. Hobson, [illegible] hero of the Merrimac, arrived at Victoria, B. C., from the Orient on the 18th.

[illegible]

ANOTHER TENNESSEE FEUD

Caused One Death and the Fatal Injury of Two Others.

FAMILY TROUBLE RESPONSIBLE

Another Texas Disaster has Been Reported—High Island a Resort With 1,000 Population was Entirely Destroyed in the Recent Storm.

One Dead and Two Will Die.

The Howard-McGee feud at Madisonville, Tenn., had a tragic climax on the 18th in which one man was killed, two others [illegible]

[illegible]

Land Rich in Rubber Trees.

[illegible]

Big Loss of Life in Newfoundland.

[illegible]

Steel Works to Close.

[illegible]

Coal Miners' Strike Begun.

[illegible]

CHINA WAR NEWS.

The expedition under Gen. Dorward against the boxers who threaten the Tien Tsin region reached Tu-Liu on the grand canal without opposition, and the city was occupied without a shot being fired. Three columns converged there on the 12th after a two days' march and found that the place had already surrendered to one officer and eight Bengal Lancers. Gen. Dorward ordered the town burned after it had been thoroughly looted. The villages en route made peace offerings, and, in most cases, were undisturbed. Apparently the boxers have disbanded in that region and the whole country is quiet.

The Russian government adheres firmly to its proposal to evacuate Pekin and continues to cherish the hope that Germany [illegible]

[illegible]

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Lord Roberts on the 13th caused the following proclamation to be circulated: The late President Kruger, with Reitz and the archives of the South African Republic, has crossed the Portuguese frontier and arrived at Lorenzo Marquez with the view of sailing for Europe at an early date. Kruger has formerly resigned the position which he held as president of the South African Republic, thus severing his official connection with the Transvaal. Kruger's action shows how hopeless in his opinion is the war which has now been carried on for nearly a year, and his desertion of the Boer cause should make clear to his fellow burghers that it is useless to continue the struggle any longer. It [illegible]

[illegible]

BASE BALL.

[illegible]

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

[illegible]

GRAIN, ETC.

[illegible]

Winter Catch of the Whalers.

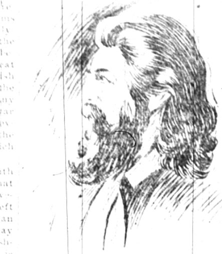
[illegible]

FED BY THE ANGELS.

CHRISTIAN HEALER HAS ASTONISHED JAILERS.

Has Fasted for Thirty-Seven Days and Is Still Strong and Confident—Laughs at the "Ignorance of the World"—Claims to Be Gifted with Divine Power.

Here is a picture of Dr. Henry Reuel Wallace, who is now incarcerated in a Chicago jail as a defendant in a breach of promise case. He claims to be observing an ordinance of God, and is fasting for forty days. Up to date he has passed into his thirty seventh day, subsisting solely on coffee, sugar and water and salt. The doctor began his strange trial in good health, and has continued in the same condition. In



DR. R. H. WALLACE.

fact, it is said by Cook County Jail Physician Francis W. McNamara that the doctor is even in better health than when he began his self-imposed task. He has fallen away somewhat in weight, going from 150 pounds to 125, and losing about six inches of girth. But his health has kept excellent. The endurance of the doctor is looked upon as remarkable by the jail officials, who, despite a sharp watch constantly kept up, have failed to discover the prisoner partaking of any food except such as has been named above. The doctor says he has absolutely touched nothing in the way of food but sugar and salt dissolved in water and coffee, except what angels bring him at night. The doctor claims to be gifted with divine power and that he is fed by angels who bring him food at night and sing to him.

ENGLISH DOCTOR'S FEES.

Larger than in Other Countries and Fortunes Have Been Amassed.

Perhaps the physicians of England receive larger fees than their brother practitioners in other countries of the world. The greatest medical feature of the century, as might have been expected, has fallen to the lot of Sir William Jenner, who died a short time ago at the ripe old age of 83 years. Sir William, who was always liberal in his expenditure and his charities, left a personal estate of the value of £395,[illegible] In his palmiest days Sir William [illegible]

[illegible] and for an operation at [illegible] distance a fashionable surgeon would get considerably more.—Utica Globe.

Eskimo Seal Hunting.

Most savage and semi-civilized folk are keen hunters. The Eskimo are by no means an uncivilized race, and they show great skill in chasing the seal. Their method of drawing near to the animal needs much patience and is really very tiring. The hunter lies down on his face or his side, and in this position approaches the seal by a series of jerks not unlike the movements made by the creature when on land or ice. He may have to cover hundreds of yards in this fatiguing fashion, but he is so clever at it that he can reach to within a few feet of his victim without the cheat being detected. An onlooker would then find it hard to say which was the man and which the seal. Generally the silly seal comes to meet the man, and when it is far enough out of its hole in the ice the hunter jumps up, cuts off its retreat and spears or clubs it. The women, too, are very smart at this kind of hunting.

Hamburg Has Little Sunshine.

Hamburg had eighty-two days in 1899 when the sun was not visible at all. There were in all 1,267 hours of sunshine, or 400 hours less than in Heligoland.