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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, OCT. 3.

If you preach a lofty ideal be careful to live up to it yourself.

When Poverty is hitched to the chariot Love gets out and walks.

If Schwab is fooling around Monte Carlo this time he must be doing it in disguise.

The man who prophesied that the big coal strike would end Sept. 15 was also wrong.

King Edward is out of the hands of the physicians, that is so far as taking medicine is concerned.

The man who put carbolic acid on a corn and has now lost his toe has discovered one cure all right.

Think what a lot of precious wood was burned in those devastating forest fires in the far northwest!

The automobile and the Adirondack deer hunter are running a close race in the man-killing contest just now.

The shah's hotel bill in Paris was $1,333 a day. The hotel people must have wished that he would stay all winter.

King Alfonso of Spain is only a slip of a boy, but he has already made Sarah Bernhardt jealous in the advertising line.

The fire fiend can destroy more valuable timber in one forward movement than the wood pulp fiend can chew up in ten years.

The announcement that the Castellanes will make another effort to pay their debts is probably causing a panic in the Gould family.

Japan is pressing after the trade of Siberia. Somehow the powerful tales of "the bear'll get you" don't frighten the little brown man.

Sir Thomas Lipton announces that he has his new yacht well in hand. That is better luck than he had with either of his old ones.

The announcement is made that American dressmakers will invade Europe. At last our triumph is complete and our revenge sweet.

The Italian government has decided to cut off a lot of useless titles. Hope it won't affect the number and quality of the New York counts.

A New York man who has tried it says: "Let gambling alone. There's nothing in it." He's wrong. There is a good deal in it for the other fellow.

The smart set dismisses Henry Watterson by contemptuously declaring that he is mad because he couldn't get in. This is an easy way out of it.

The news that Lali Sung, the caddie champion of China, is spreading the civilizing influences of golf ought to remove all fear of any more Boxer outbreaks.

The dressmakers have decided that ready-made corsets are bad form. If the big corset factories have to close it will be a terrible blow to some of the magazines.

The French minister of finance threatens the porte with abandonment of the conversion of the Ottoman debt. It's the conversion of the Ottoman that is chiefly needed.

They are mining coal in Alaska. And, during previous winters, we have been accustomed to feel sorry for the people of Alaska. It looks now as if we would be envious.

A man in Oregon claims to have invented an iceless refrigerator. Now if he will invent a coalless stove and a fireless furnace that will do good work, his name shall be great in the land.

The Chicago lady who started to clean her gloves with gasoline is now pondering seriously whether the saving on a pair of fifty-cent gloves can be set off against the loss on $10,000 building.

A French poet has refused to pay taxes and hopes thus to embarrass the government. In any other country a poet who had enough property to pay taxes on would consider himself very lucky.

"The minister who on a certain Sunday prayed for rain," remarked the Observer of Events and Things, "didn't make much of a hit with his congregation, for the reason that he himself left his umbrella at home."

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan says he would not pose for a photograph for $5,000,000. Unfortunately, there are only a few public men who can afford to imitate Mr. Morgan's example.

There will be no uprising in Spain if Don Carlos can prevent it. His best plan would be to get a United States warship to anchor in Spanish waters.

A Philadelphian has finally succeeded in running down and killing a man with his automobile. The future of the automobile is now secure.

The St. Louis woman who is seeking a divorce because her husband neglected to take her to a baseball game shows too much anxiety to get away from the home base.

In raising the price of bottles the glass trust will attract little or no attention from those independent persons who send out a covered pail.

Soldiers who were constructively wounded in the recent battles along the New England coast will be entitled to constructive pensions.

IT'S SENATOR ALGER NOW

The campaign for United States senator to succeed the late James McMillan came to an end Saturday by the appointment of General Russell A. Alger to serve until the legislature meets in January. A conference of the politicians was held or rather several of them gathered to bid the gov. nor in Mr. Ferry's withdrawal, the announcement being made in the following statement signed by Mr. Ferry and published by the evening papers:

"Under existing conditions, I have decided to withdraw my candidacy for the vacancy in the United States senate from this state. I believe that this course will tend to prevent harmony, and thus be for the best interests of the Republican party.

"Gen. Alger is a Republican. He is also my friend and a fellow-townsman, and from this time forward I shall support his candidacy for the position named."

Saturday night a dispatch from Saginaw stated that the friends of Hon. Benton Hanchett have decided to make no further active efforts in his behalf regarding the United States senatorship. At midnight this dispatch came to Detroit, being preceded by a telephone message to the general by Governor Bliss.

Saginaw, Mich., Sept. 27, 1902.
Gen. Russell A. Alger, Detroit, Mich.:

I hereby tender you the appointment of United States senator from Michigan to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late senior senator, Hon. James McMillan.

(Signed.) A. T. BLISS,
Governor.

The news was confirmed by Gen. Alger at 2 o'clock Sunday morning and he made the announcement that he would probably accept. The appointment came as a great surprise, being entirely unsought, but with Gen. Alger's election assured when the legislature meets in January, the governor evidently concluded that the state should have had a full representation in Washington when congress opens in December.

In addition, there is a possibility that the senate may be convened immediately after election to act on a reciprocity treaty with Cuba, in the event of which it is essential that the state should have two senators there.

Rabson's Body Found.

A postmortem was performed on the body of Charles R. Rabson, who was found in the river nearly three miles from Saginaw where he plunged into the river, and his stomach was found to be in a normal condition. The wound on his head, where he was struck by Frank Flewelling, who took him for a burglar, was not very deep, and the skull was not fractured. A telegram was received from Victoria, British Columbia, Saturday night by Chief of Police Kohn stating that relatives there would not do anything regarding the remains. The telegram intimated that his widow would have to bear the expense of burial. It is believed that Rabson must have swam down the river a long ways, as there is not our root enough to carry him that far. His body was discovered by three boys in a boat. His head was sticking above the water and his feet were buried in the sand. Instead of the $500 or $800, which the bride said was on his person when he left the house, only two $5 gold pieces and three pennies were found on the body. The pockets did not look as though they had been disturbed. What has become of the money he had with him?

A Serious Charge.

Frank Labene, aged 55, is in Monroe jail, charged with attempted criminal assault on Mary Masson, aged 10 years. The affair caused great excitement, and if Labene had been caught by the mob which searched for him he would have been severely dealt with.

The child had come from her home at Ivrest with her 13-year-old brother to meet their father, who had gone to Toledo for the day. While waiting Labene engaged them in conversation, and when the car came along the boy went out to meet it. Mary remained at the station, and it is claimed that Labene at once took her away to a place a mile from the heart of the city. Frightened by the little ones' cries, it is alleged that he went away, leaving her to walk back to town alone. She was seen by two young women, who brought her in.

Labene was arrested a block from the railway station, and denied wrongdoing of any kind. The child's story doesn't agree with his, however.

Kent County Valuation.

The state tax commissioners returned to Lansing from Grand Rapids Saturday, taking with them the tax roll of the townships. During their visit the commissioners raised the personal assessment against the Grand Rapids Street Railway Co. from $1,000,000 to $2,262,000. This brings the total assessed value of the city to $71,313,491, but the board refused to allow Kent county should be assessed $100,000,000. The present assessed valuation of the townships is only $20,657,352, and the supervisors fear that it is the intention of the commissioners to spread enough more on the townships to bring the total up to $100,000,000, which would increase the valuation of the townships more than one-third.

A Criminal Operation.

Pretty Gertrude Van Orman, aged 16, died at a Grand Rapids hospital, the victim of a criminal operation. Before her death she summoned her mother and the doctor, and in the presence of the nurse told the name of her youthful lover and that of the midwife who performed the operation. She begged that no one be prosecuted, as she held herself entirely at fault. Her mother, however, applied for a warrant for the arrest of the midwife, but the prosecutor declined to issue until the coroner returns a verdict.

The Professor Struck Out.

Mrs. Charles N. Dewey, of Petoskey, wife of the well-known writing master, who for two years has taught classes all over Northern Michigan, has filed a bill for divorce. Returning unexpectedly Sunday night from a visit to Grand Rapids, she claims to have found that her husband had taken a Mrs. Moore as housekeeper. The professor suddenly left town and is also said to have left numerous creditors.

Increased Appropriations.

A considerable increase in the appropriations of the next legislature for the support of the state institutions may be looked for on account of the advance in the prices of food and other living expenses. The state board of corrections and charities, which has been visiting the institutions and looking over the estimates made that the managers as a rule will ask for larger appropriations for current expenses, on account of the increased cost of living. The Industrial School for Boys in Lansing, which was visited, is a notable exception to the rule.

New evidences of the crooked work of Gogebic county's late treasurer, Martin Kallander, are coming to light. The latest is the claim of the owners that they paid the taxes on some property that has recently been sold as delinquent, the fact only coming to light during discovered by the effort of the purchaser of the tax title to secure possession. Kallander's bondsmen have already had to put up some $10,000 on his account, and the end is not yet in sight.

Enrollment of students at the Michigan College of Mines this year will be larger than in previous years.

A Human Fiend.

Neighbors of Fred Sielhoff, who shot and killed George Kaiser in Lenoil, Friday evening, give him a bad name. He resided upon a farm owned by Thomas Fordyce, of Detroit, for whom he had worked at Grosse Pointe, coming here a few months ago. He was feared by those who were around him, as he threatened, every time he was angry, to shoot, and for months it is said a tragedy has been feared. Return from Jackson he quarreled with his wife, and taking a gun had dog went to the fields. The dog soon returned bleeding from a gun shot wound. It developed that Sielhoff shot the dog and three head of cattle. Returning he threatened to kill his wife, who ran for help. Deputy Sheriffs Smith and Dickie came to arrest him. In the melee which followed, Henry Smith, a neighbor, was shot by the enraged man and killed. Sielhoff was finally overpowered and is now in jail. His victim was 38 years old and leaves a widow and five children. His wife has four grown children in Detroit, she says.

Kalamazoo Deluged.

The heaviest rain storm ever known in the history of Kalamazoo or south western Michigan prevailed Saturday from 12 o'clock noon until evening, precipitating more than nearly three inches of water fell in the storm, at times taking on the nature of a cloudburst, making rivers of the streets and lakes of the cellery fields. Several times the pelting storm was blown under nearly half a foot of water. Traffic was impeded, the electric power was shut off, leaving the city in darkness, and first on the interurban line to Battle Creek were held up nearly four hours. Reports coming in from the adjacent county districts tell of flooded highways and fields, washouts, etc. Dur ing the night the Kalamazoo river began to rise. The low lands are under many feet of water, and families living in this district are watching the rapidly rising waters with much apprehension, fearing momentarily the moment. Long time residents declare that it was the hardest rainstorm that ever visited this section.

Republicans Nominate Carpenter.

The Republican state convention at Grand Rapids, Thursday, nominated Judge W. L. Carpenter to succeed the late Justice Long of the supreme court, having first adopted this resolution:

"Whereas, This is the only state convention that our party will hold before the legislature elects a successor to Senator McMillan, and as a gathering of representative Republicans fresh from the people, we desire to give expression to the positive sentiment of the majority of the Republicans of Michigan in favor of the choice of our beloved ex-governor, the former secretary of war. We believe that the legislature should and will unanimously elect the high duty of the people by sending to the United States senate Michigan's tried and distinguished citizen, Russell A. Alger."

A Mystery.

There is an air of mystery surrounding Mrs. Ernest Scholtz, of Tawas City, who was found on the floor of her home with her throat cut and a razor beside her. She had indicated by nods that it was her husband, Ernest Scholtz, who did the deed, while he furiously denied the charge in her presence. She has been in Michigan a state asylum, and when released obtained a divorce from her first husband, named Allard. It seems that Allard followed Scholtz from the house, telling his son that Scholtz was not legally married to his mother, as Scholtz had a wife in an asylum. Scholtz bears a good reputation, and says he can show that he was at home Tawas consulting as to the steps he should take to compel Allard to keep away at its request. It is supposed the deed was committed.

Refuses to Go.

The refusal of Rev. Fr. Sperlain, of the Rockland parish, Ontonagon county, to obey the mandate of the bishop of the diocese, Rt. Rev. Frederick Eis, of Marquette, promises to be aired in the courts, as the priest refuses to give up his parish to his successor. He declares that he will appeal to Archdeacon Messmer, and, as a last resort, to the pope at Rome, before he will be driven from his parish. The bishop asserts that his is a pro tem pore appointment, and that by canon law he is removable at will.

The Bay City school census shows 9,319 young people of school age, as against 8,842 last year, a net increase of 477.

Daniel Calahan, a well known farmer and son of James Calahan, of Mt. Morris township, has been arrested, charged with forcing his father's name to a note for $325.

Walter Apsey, living five miles east of Elmira, lost his life by drowning on Porcupine lake near his home Friday evening. Mr. Apsey and two children were out boating, when one child fell overboard. The father brought the boy to the boat safely, but was exhausted and drowned in the act.

Martin Verbantz, a timberman in North Tamarack mine, fell out of an ascending cage in No. 3 shaft Wednesday night, the fall of 4,700 feet resulting in instant death. His legs were grasped by two miners in the cage, but they could not retain their hold and he was precipitated headforemost.

AROUND THE STATE.

Miss Sarah Pindell has been appointed inspector of customs at Marquette.

Coldwater paid $7,000 on its bonded indebtedness yesterday and now owes $36,000.

Edgar Lewis, of Grand Rapids, has been appointed to a $900 clerkship in the war department.

On Sunday between 6 in the morning and 6 at night 116 vessels passed through the Detroit river, which breaks all previous records for any day of 12 hours.

The state board of corrections and charities has passed a resolution favoring the amendment to the constitution to provide for indeterminate sentences for criminals.

It has leaked out that Battle Creek parties, among whom is one of the leading officials in the Battle Creek sanitarium, are arranging to establish a sanitarium in Coldwater.

Henry Kahn, arrested in Bay City for counterfeiting drug labels, has been identified in Niagara Falls, N. Y., as Hermann Berwitz, released June 2, 1898, for smuggling phenacetine.

Three little boys were found drunk Sunday morning on the steps of the Fremont school in Bay City. Acquaintances gave the boys their homes before the police patrol wagon could reach them.

The body of Herman Kaynor was found floating in Gull lake Monday. He is one of the three young men drowned in a boating accident Sept. 2. The body of Arthur Miller is still in the water.

Mrs. Glenn Ralph, of New Brighton, near New York, formerly Miss Mabel Williams, of Kalamazoo, accidentally shot herself in the head with a lady caller there recently, while examining a revolver.

The funeral of George Smith, murdered Friday night in Leoni township by Fred Sielhoff, took place at the home of Smith's mother. The widow and her fatherless children were seated about the coffin.

Columbus Edgerton and Mat Watson, of Kalamazoo, while driving a hay wagon, both being drunk, as alleged, ran over Amanda Lovelier, aged 18, causing her death. They are charged with manslaughter.

The wagons of Oversys are kept pretty close to their horses, and flies they are accompanied by an odor. Any, owing to the actions of a "black the Hagger." A trap has been set for him and if he is caught it is likely to go hard with him.

Julia, the 10-year-old daughter of Isaac Robbins, of Menominee, has been missing since Sunday morning. Her parents believe she has been kidnapped or enticed away. She was started to church on Sunday morning, but never reached there.

John Sell, the Ann Arbor young man whose uncontrollable desire for liquor led him into burglarizing two saloons and stealing therefrom four quarts of booze in two days, has had a bad case of "snakes" at the jail. He drank nearly all the liquor himself.

On Saturday night a car on the Michigan Central was broken into at Ann Arbor and seven dozen pairs of men's shoes stolen. There seems to be an organized gang of freight train robbers in that city, as these occurrences are frequently reported.

The postoffices at Arcadia and Slocum will become domestic money order offices on Oct. 1. The offices at Lewisville, Stewartsville, Center Scotts, Lewisville, Sebewaing and Sherwood will become international money order offices on the same date.

There is not a pound of coal, hard or soft, for sale in Benton Harbor or St. Joseph, and dealers have refused to entertain any orders whatever. One dealer who had placed an order for 10 cars received word that only one car could be furnished at the present time.

Rosina Schmidt, aged 11 years, was accidentally shot at the home of her father in Northfield by her 6-year-old boy cousin, the son of James Gates. The little boy found a loaded rifle, a revolver when the gun went off and the 22-caliber bullet struck her in the head.

Roy Countryman and Fred Lessing, of Ithing, who were arrested in the company of Frank Dickerson and Edgar Draper, two 14-year-old Lansing girls, pleaded not guilty and were held to bail in the sum of $500 each for examination. The girls will have a hearing on the same day on the charge of disorderly conduct.

Look out for the game warden. He says: "The attorney general of Michigan has given it as his opinion that the lawful shooting of ducks, geese, woodcock and sprueches does not commence until October 29." Acting under his opinion I shall prosecute any person found killing the above game birds before that date."

The man who was found dead in Durand Monday proved to be John J. Dickerson, a farmer residing near St. Johns. His wife arrived and told how she escaped from being killed by her husband. He was a well-to-do farmer, and she is a good-looking young lady. Dickerson when sober was all right, but liquor made him worse than a madman.

Saginaw valley coal mine operators are complaining of the scarcity of cars. The Somers mine at St. Charles was forced to shut down half a day Saturday owing to the inability of the railroads to furnish a sufficient number. The are also complaining of the low prices of coal. In many places hard coal is retailing at $12 and $15 a ton and soft coal $5 and $6.

Fred Meier, 45 years old, with a large family of children, lost his left arm in an accident in the Ann Arbor railroad shops Friday morning. He operated a planer, the knives of which revolve 4,000 times a minute. He reached under the knives to pull out a sliver. His arm caught and was clipped off like paper and hurled 50 feet against the side of the shop.

The wife and daughter of Luther W. Shear, the confirmed forger of Muskegon, have not been to see him since his incarceration, on the day of his arraignment in Circuit Court Mrs. Shear brought to the jail her husband's overcoat, but refused to see him.

If all the claims for damages against Grand Rapids which have been filed during the past few weeks should be granted, the municipality would require a special bond amounting to $100,000 to meet the tax on the treasury.

S. E. Robinson, editor of the News-Journal, of Winchester, Tenn., was shot and killed on the street by a lawyer named Banks. He had denounced Banks in an editorial.

The employes of the flour mills at Minneapolis have accepted the company's proposal for an eight-hour day, and will accept the new schedule of wages offered

A SYRIAN MAID.

The Law Drives Her Insane and to Suicide.

Joseph Abadeely left Syria some years ago to make a home in the United States. Before he left he promised to be a true lover to Alexandra Joseph, and send for her to come to this country and marry him. He kept his word and some months ago the Syrian girl landed in Montreal and was met by her lover. There it was found she was suffering from a disease of the eye that barred her entrance into this country. She spent five months with the faithful Joseph by her side, in a Montreal hospital. On Aug. 19 the pair tried to cross the border at Detroit, but were promptly stopped by the customs officials. Since then she has been locked up in the Wayne county jail. Her lover came and made all the attempts that his limited means would warrant, to secure her freedom. Failing, he returned to Iowa to work and secure more. On Thursday, a brother arrived to rescue his sister. On the same day she was taken from the jail to the U. S. customs officers and started for New York to be deported. Alexandra could not speak a word of English, and her mind had become unbalanced by worry after the train left Detroit she left the car door to go to the toilet room, from the window of which she leaped to instant death. Her bruised and broken body was taken to the morgue in New York. Though there are numerous Syrians in Detroit, it does not appear that one was called to explain to the poor girl her situation and the confinement in jail made her insane.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 4.

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE. DeWolf Hopper in "Mme. Sans Gene." Mat. at 2. Evenings at 8.

LYCEUM THEATRE. "Wait and Voices." Matinee 2:30. Evenings, 15c, 25c, 50c and 75c.

DETROIT THEATRE. "Love and Honor." Matinees, 10c, 15c, 25c. Evenings, 10c, 20c, 30c.

WONDERLAND. Afternoon, 2:15. Evenings, 7 and 8:15.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the standing of the National league clubs up to and including the games played on Tuesday, September 30, 1902.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Pittsburg	90	42	.682
Brooklyn	75	62	.541
Boston	73	64	.533
Cincinnati	69	69	.500
Chicago	66	69	.489
St. Louis	56	80	.412
Philadelphia	50	79	.417
New York	47	85	.356

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Little choice steers, $3.60@3.85; good to choice butchers' steers, $3.50@3.60; fair to good butchers' steers, 1,000 to 1,200 pounds average, $3.50@3.75; fair to good butchers' steers, 900 to 1,000 pounds average, $3.50@3.75; good butchers' and fat cows, $2.50@3.75; canners and common butcher bulls, $2.50@3.00; good shippers' bulls, $3.00@3.25; common feeders, $2.25@2.75; good well-bred feeders, $3.00@3.50; light stockers, $2.50@3.00; veal calves, $6.50; strong and active, $3.00@7.50. Milch cows and springers—Good cows, strong, $40 to $50; common, $25@30.

Sheep—Best lambs, $4.50@4.75; light to good mixed, $4.00@4.50; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; culls and common, $1.50@2.50.

Hogs—Market steady at last week's prices. Good to choice Yorkers and Yorkers, $7.20@7.25; light to good butchers, $7.20@7.25; pigs, $7.20@7.25; light Yorkers, $7.00@7.10; stags, $4@4.50; roughs, $5@6.

Chicago—Cattle—Good to prime steers, $5.25@5.75; poor to medium, $3.75@5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.25; cows, $1.50@4.50; heifers, $2.50@5.25; canners, $1.50@2.50; bulls, $2.50@4.25; calves, $3@7.25; Texas fed steers, $3@4.25; western steers, $3.75@5.60.

Sheep—Mixed and batch ewes, $2.25@3.40; good to choice wethers, $3.50@3.75; western sheep, $3.25@4.50; western lambs, $3.50@5.90; western lambs, $4@5.35.

East Buffalo hogs—Heavy, $7.60@7.65; mixed, $7.50@7.55; yorkers, $7.50@7.65; pigs, $7.50@7.65; roughs, $6.50@6.75; stags, $5.50@6; grassers, $6@6.25; dairies, $7@7.25.

Sheep—Top lambs, $5.25@5.35; culls to good, $3.50@5.20; yearlings and wethers, $4.50@5.25; ewes, $3.25@4.25; sheep, mixed, $3.60@3.75; culls to good, $1.50@3.50.

Grain.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, 78c; No. 2 white, 1 car at 78½c; No. 2 red, 1 car at 78½c; closing nominal at 78½c; Dec., 5 sales at 78½c; May, 1 car at 79½c, 5 sales at 79½c, 15,000 bu at 79½c, closing nominal at 79½c; No. 3 red, 1 car at 68c; rejected red, 1 car at 65c; No. 1 mixed, 75c; rejected white, 1 car at 61½c; by sample, 1 car at 61½c and 1 at 62c; and 1 at 60c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 2 cars at 61½c; No. 3 yellow, 62½c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, 1 car at 31½c, 1 car at 31¾c, and 1 car at 32c; No. 3 white, rejected, 1 car at 29c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 cash, 1 car at 56c; No. 3 rye, 1 car at 55½c per bu.

Beans—Cash and seed, $1.75 bid; Oct., 1 car at $1.85; Nov., $1.80 bid; Dec., 2 cars at $1.80; prime, $1.65 per bu.

Chicago—Wheat—No. 2 red, 72@76c; No. 2 wheat, 70@72c; No. 2 red, 73@75c; No. 3 red, 68@72c; No. 2 hard, 72@74c. Corn—No. 2, 61@61½c; No. 2 yellow, 62@62½c; No. 3 yellow, 61½@62c. Oats—No. 2, 27@27½c; No. 2 white, 31@32c; No. 3 white, 30@31½c. Rye—No. 2, 56@56½c per bu.

Produce.

Butter—Creameries, extra, 23@24c; firsts, 22@23c; fancy dairies, 22@23c; firsts, 20@21c; choice, fresh bakers' grades, 19@20c.

Cheese—New full cream, Hollibys, brick, 13@13½c.

Eggs—Candled, fresh receipts, 20@21c, at mark, 19@20c per doz.

Evaporated apples—7@8c per lb; sun-dried, 5@6c per lb.

Hay—Prices on new baled hay are as follows: No. 1 timothy, $16@17; No. 2, $15 bid; prime, $16@17; No. 1 mixed, $15@16.50; wheat and oat straw, $5 per ton car lots; rye straw, $7 per ton.

Apples—Common, 75@75c per bbl; fancy, $1.50@1.75 per bbl.

Potatoes—60@65c per bu; car lots, f. o. b. Detroit, 60@62c per bu.

Wool—Fine fleece wools are paying the following prices: Medium, 26@27c; unwashed, 18@19c; fine, 23@24c; bucks, 16@17c; unwashed tags, 6c per lb.

The sale is reported of a New York Stock Exchange seat at $33,000, the highest price on record.

When James M. Egg, the missing teller of the Fourth National bank, of Patterson, N. J., disappeared Aug. 5, his shortage was near to $100,000, according to the officials of the bank, instead of $24,000 as was announced when it became known first that Edge had gone.

Maj. J. W. Powell, director of the bureau of ethnology at the Smithsonian institution at Washington, is dead at his summer home at Haven, Me. He was accounted one of the foremost geologists and anthropologists of the world, and had been identified with the scientific work of the government since the early sixties.

Mrs. Florence Cassel, of Nashville, has lain unconscious since Sunday night. She was stricken while at church and some of those who sat near her say she was then eating medicine, but the minister says she has the "power" and is "under deep conviction."

When Health Officer Brand and two other officers attempted to take a 13-year-old Polish girl of Toledo to the smallpox hospital, he was attacked by the mother, armed with a kettle of boiling water and an ax. The officers were compelled to stand off 1,000 angry Polacks before they could get the patient away explained to them.

A Chicago Mystery.

Deep in the mysteries of the Mystic Order of the Sacred Twelve—an organization strong in Chicago, but of which few Chicagoans know—is thought to be the only information concerning the sudden disappearance on June 10, of pretty Rose C. Mahon.

On that date the girl, who is 19 years old, disappeared from the home of her aunt, Mrs. Matilda Smaller, 304 North Willow avenue, Austin.

Matt Mahon, a young man of 22 years and a first cousin of Miss Mahon, also disappeared the same day.

After three months of futile search for them the members of their families appealed to the police for assistance in locating them.

Miss Mahon, up to the time of her disappearance, was employed in a factory in Austin. Two months ago she joined the Mystic Order of the Sacred Twelve, the head of which is C. T. H. Benton, 3265 Rhodes avenue, Chicago.

When she joined the order she took an oath, among other things swearing: "I shall ever hold sacred the secret language and all knowledge imparted to me, and I hereby pledge myself never upon any circumstances, to divulge, make known or transfer to another in any manner whatsoever such language and knowledge as aforesaid."

Friends of the girl, who have recently learned that she was a member of this organization, are now asking an explanation from officers of the order as to her disappearance.

A New Method.

A committee of citizens headed by the publishers of a Boston newspaper, on Saturday sought relief in the courts from the present coal shortage and high prices by asking for a receiver for the coal companies and coal carrying roads. A bill in equity was filed in the supreme Court against the corporations. The bill was based upon the legal theory of the coal situation given by H. W. Chaplin, a lawyer.

Mr. Chaplin says in support of his position: "Since the public have a right in the mines, a right to have coal forthwith mined for immediate consumption, and have a right to have that coal immediately transported out of the mine regardless of the coal carrying road, a court of equity, if no other solution of the difficulty is open, has authority to and upon the application of a representative proportion of the people undoubtedly would appoint a receiver or receivers to take into his or their hands, the whole business now in the hands of the anthracite coal combine and to run it in their place."

Dastardly Work.

The Golden Eagle hotel, Washington, D. C., was burned Thursday morning at 4:30 o'clock by Frank McKie, one of the guests, who subsequently committed suicide.

Between 20 and 30 guests were thrown from their beds by the explosion, but only the proprietor, Louis Brandt and his wife, were injured, the latter seriously.

The roof of the building was blown off and the falling wreckage crashed through to the basement, leaving the structure as if wrecked by a tornado. Every pane of glass in the building and the adjoining structures was broken. The explosion called out the fire department.

McKie had boarded at the hotel four years and had been treated as one of the family.

The Beef Trust Quits.

The combination of the great packing houses of Chicago, which has been under consideration and in process of actual formation for the last six months, has been abandoned. The decision not to consummate the combination is due in a large degree to the attitude of the national administration toward trusts as outlined by President Roosevelt in his recent speeches and to the assurance given in the event of a consolidation congress might remove the tariff on cattle. A final meeting of the heads of firms known as the Big Four packing houses in Chicago has been held at which it was agreed to end all negotiations at once.

Anxious to Get Home.

There are 17,000 Americans in Europe who are unable to return on account of the annual homeward rush of the summer tourists. The steamers are booked to their full capacity for weeks ahead and are unable to return to this country many people in comfortable circumstances have come second cabin and even steerage. Since last April over 200 people from this country booked passage for European ports and of this number only about 25,000 have returned. They have spent over $21,000,000 of good American money.

Peru Has One.

We had been received that Mont Chullapata, 18 miles from Celendin, Peru, has been overwhelmed by volcanic dust and smoke for the last fortnight. There is no record that Mont Chullapata ever was believed to be a volcano. Lonely ones are not heard 30 miles away as the result of the volcanic action. There have been several earthquakes around the mountain, and the sides of the volcano.

With a concession of 25 cents an hour in wages by the city, the strike of the Chicago sewer laborers is ended, and 200 strikers went to work. The city retains the right to discharge any one of the men without being called to account by the union.

Copies of a speech delivered by Gov. Taft are expected given him on his return to the Philippines sent out from Washington by the bureau of insular affairs, promise that the tariff on Philippine products will ultimately be reduced so as to give practically free trade between the United States and the islands.

Mrs. Chas. Heffner, of Cleveland, was shot to death and her husband is probably fatally wounded, both crimes being committed, it is alleged, by Ludwig Sedlazyk, a frequent visitor at the Heffner home. The motive for the crime is believed to be a quarrel over a money transaction between Heffner and Sedlazyk.

Four thousand tons of Welsh coal, chiefly anthracite, all contracted for before the importation was ordered, has arrived in New York.

Polk Hill, a guard at the Davidson county asylum, escaped from Nashville, Tenn., was stabbed and killed by Thomas Copley, an inmate.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

THE COAL STRIKE.

The President and Cabinet Consider Matter.

The coal strike and the situation that has resulted from it was the subject of a conference held at the temporary White House Tuesday, in which the president, Attorney-General Knox, Secretary Moody, Postmaster-General Payne and Gov. Crane, of Massachusetts, participated. Every one connected with the conference was very reticent, but it is learned that the president is much concerned over the situation—the near approach of winter and the great scarcity of fuel.

Just what steps can be taken is not known. The fact that a move has been made in the Massachusetts courts to have receivers appointed for the coal companies was discussed, but the legal view was that this was entirely inadequate and would not be likely to relieve the situation.

The impression prevails that one reason for the hurried visit of Secretary Root to New York was for the purpose of discussing with the leading business men of that city the situation with a view to bringing the strike to an end.

The President's Condition.

Dr. Lung called at the White House Saturday night and remained with the president for half an hour. Upon his departure, Secretary Cortelyou announced that the president was resting comfortably and that his wound was progressing satisfactorily. The president's physicians expressed the wound in his leg Saturday morning. The inflammation is receding slowly, but it may be a day or two yet before the physicians can state definitely that granulation has set in without involving the bone. The president continues in good spirits and is taking his enforced confinement philosophically. He spends the major portion of his time reading on a lounge, but is ready to give his attention to business when it is brought to bear for action.

A Second Operation.

Another operation was performed Sunday on President Roosevelt's left leg. Instead of using a needle as before, the surgeons, with a knife, made an incision into the small cavity, exposing the bone, which was found to be slightly affected. The president's case has been progressing satisfactorily, but it is believed by the physicians that this further operation made will hasten his complete recovery. Cocaine was used to allay the pain. The physicians made this announcement Monday: "The condition of the wound is satisfactory. The temperature this morning is normal. The patient slept well and at present is occupying a rolling chair. He is cheerful and from the beginning has shown neither impatience nor restlessness, but has carried out the directions of the physicians with scrupulous care. Since the use of the sponging bath has been in vogue, the use on Sept. 22 which left no wound, there has been no operation until yesterday."

Met Terrible Death.

Eight men, each with charred faces, burned bodies and terribly scorched heads, were taken to the McKeesport, Pa., hospital as the result of an explosion at furnace B, of the Carnegie blast furnace plant, Duquesne, Saturday evening. Two of the victims have since died, and there is but little hope that any of the others will recover. All of those injured were caught in the fiery blast of flames and ashes which followed the blowing out of a "bell" while the men were at work. They were sent up to the dangerous place about an hour before. Something had gone wrong with the working of the furnace and these men were ordered to make the necessary repairs.

The Canteen.

Brig. Gen. Funston, in his annual report of the department of Colorado, declares the recent anti-canteen legislation of congress has lowered the discipline of the army, ruined scores of good soldiers and enriched saloon-keepers, gamblers and disso lute women. His report announces a deplorable increase in offenses, particularly desertion, attributed to the abolition of the canteen and garrison life restrictions of men returning from field service.

Clubbed to Death.

James Wozzal was clubbed to death Wednesday morning at the Grassy Islands colliery, Scranton, Pa., within less than a mile of where the Thirteenth regiment is in camp. Wozzal was formerly secretary of the Grassy Island local union of the United Mine Workers. He returned to work a few weeks ago and thereby gained the enmity of the other members of the union. No arrests have been made.

CONDENSED NEWS.

In an editorial, the London Daily Chronicle welcomes the reported determination of the United States to keep a permanent fleet in South American waters, and says that it has too long neglected its duty of keeping order there.

William Wiebach, steward of the North Hudson city home of Hoboken, N. J., was shocked to death by a live electric light wire on the roof of the club house, while 50 members stood about powerless to save him.

Rabbi Hirsch, in a sermon in Temple Israel, Chicago, treating on the situation in the anthracite coal fields, declared that conditions were similar to those existing in Rome rich and poor preceding the French revolution, and that the country was standing on the brink of a volcano, which was liable to burst forth at any time with all the force of a fury.

President Palma will soon call a meeting of the officers of the Cuban army to consider the immediate increase of the artillery corps to 500 men, with a view to replacing the American soldiers now guarding the Cuban coasts.

The commissioner of internal revenue in a letter to collectors of internal revenue, calls attention to the opinion of the attorney general to the effect that no internal revenue tax can be assessed legally on cigars shipped from the Philippine islands and directs that Bereather the word "Philippines", be imprinted on the customs import stamp attached to the boxes containing these cigars.

The city of Indianapolis has begun suit against the Indianapolis Gas Co., to prevent it from going out of business, as threatened, on Sept. 30, or before the end of its franchise, which is in 1954.