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Michigan News

State Happenings Succinctly Told by Our Special Correspondents

Tolstoy is the reincarnation of Hamlet's father's ghost. He will not down.

The friends of the Egyptian sphinx will be much mortified to learn that he is decaying.

Many people would settle the New Jersey mosquito problem by moving out of the state.

The national amateur golf champion is only twenty years of age, but he hopes to outgrow it.

A stogie trust has been formed at Pittsburg. Some people will regard this as a burning shame.

A Pittsburg man killed himself because his wife left him. The amount she took with her is not stated.

Mr. Wu is to have honors bestowed on him when he gets back to China. Everybody hopes they will not hurt.

Few people are dying from appendicitis now. King Edward deserves praise for establishing a fine precedent.

May Yohe henceforth will hardly trust the key to her safety-deposit box to young men who swear undying affection.

Count Matsukata, a Japanese financier, predicts a panic in the United States. Has the count been dabbling in oil stocks?

We do not know exactly what a Swiss "seiche" is, but it is evidently a proper thing for all well regulated summer resorts.

Spain will station a diplomatic representative at Havana, but it will be some time before he will become the dean of the corps.

San Francisco has one saloon for every twenty-two adult male inhabitants. In some respects, however, it isn't such a bad town.

The Rev. John N. Mills classes many of our modern novels with yellow fever. This is unjust, for the fever is not always fatal.

A machine that will lay brick as fast as six or seven men has been invented, but we shall still continue to get our eggs in the same old homely way.

Great Britain did the best she could in arranging a coronation display, but America quite took the shine out of it with a Vanderbilt wedding.

Peary would be cheered up if he could be reached by telegraph. The Windward has started toward the North Pole and the relief ship bears a ping pong outfit.

That New Jersey boy who was resuscitated after being under the water half an hour will be a good man to experiment with our submarine boats when he grows up.

A Rhode Island man claims to have been cured of rheumatism by a stroke of lightning. An analysis of the case probably will show that the rheumatism was scared out of him.

According to a pathetic article on the requirements of school teachers which was recently printed in an educational journal, they have to know pretty near as much as a country editor.

Minister Wu Ting Fang is going to write a book on the United States, but it is difficult to see where he is going to find any new material since he has already practically exhausted the subject.

It may serve a good purpose to remind the public that deaths resulting from the use of the harmless firecracker on our last national anniversary are still being reported to the coroner.

When the Duke of Marlborough goes to assume his duties of viceroy a large percentage of the people of Ireland will have their first opportunity to see a chafing dish and a spider phaeton.

Dr. Leyds has been barred out of South Africa. In view of the fact that he has money enough to live like a prince in Europe some people probably will refuse to regard his banishment as a hardship.

The saying is that "every man has his fool hour at some time in his career." It would seem as if a good many spend it at Newport. Strange things occur down in that metropolis of fashion and folly.

A Chicago man who was worth $300,000 a year ago has assured the tax reviewers that he hasn't a cent. This shows that when a man is lucky enough to get hold of $300,000 he should take it away somewhere and bury it.

The manager of a New York aquarium has discovered that fishes really think. If he could interview some that come within range of the summer resort angler their opinions on the fool with the fancy rod and reel would be worth chronicling.

A nobly born captain in the Swedish army has refused to fight a duel with an American, claiming that the latter is a mere commoner and therefore not eligible to meet one of rank. S'Death! Hasn't that Swede found out that Americans are all uncrowned kings? This is too much!

The doctor who attended Christopher L. Magee of Pittsburg during his last illness has been awarded a fee of $29,239.26. He wanted $300,000, but the jury evidently took into consideration the fact that Mr. Magee died.

BOYS TELL A HARROWING TALE

Beaten Out of Wages and Starved by Sugar Beet Growers.

There were three boys in Detroit who were thoroughly satisfied to get home. They are Edward and Alex. Fitzgerald and C. J. McKenzie. They had a story to tell of working in the sugar beet fields, near Clifford. In the company of thirty-five other boys they were engaged to work there at $1.50 per day. They say that when they arrived the man who had engaged them told them he would give them only $1.25 per day. They were forced to pay fifty cents per day for board, they say, and in the ten days they were there, had only one square meal. At last the crowd quit, after working a week and three days, and the man refused to pay them a cent. Seven of them walked home, while fifteen others beat their way in on a train, a distance of 110 miles.

Went Berrying.

One Manchester lady has had enough of huckleberrying this season. The fact that she had been told the marshes were all flooded did not deter her from going, as was her usual custom. At the end of the day she summed up with the following results: Shoes ruined, hat a wreck, dress fit for rag bag, fifty cents for hire of horse, mosquito bites everywhere and berries for one pie.

Electrified Mail Boxes.

The public and the mail carriers at Ypsilanti have been caused considerable annoyance of late by the fact that two of the mail boxes are attached to iron poles that support the electric railway wires, and that in consequence the boxes sometimes become charged with electricity. Many amusing scenes have occurred when persons attempted to place mail in the charged boxes.

Draws Fire From Oil Tank.

Charles Murray, a clerk in a grocery store at Pontiac went to the gasoline tank in a shed in the rear of the store to draw a can of gasoline. He opened the valve and a sheet of flame shot out. He managed to escape serious burning. How the fire started is not known. The shed as well as adjacent sheds and outbuildings were destroyed but the fire department prevented a further spread of the blaze.

Breaks Into Jail.

Henry Powell finished a term in the Detroit house of correction and then struck Durand. That night he entered Snow's meat market and next day he attempted a piece of burglary in broad daylight. Deputy Sheriff E. H. Hovey took Powell into the tolls and an hour after Justice McLain said he could go back to the Detroit house of correction for sixty-five days.

Good Crops in Silver Creek.

Wheat in Silver Creek township is an old-time crop this year. A field on the John Halport farm yielded 30 bushels per acre, and on the W. G. Cushing farm a yield of 40 bushels was obtained throughout. Other farmers are reporting big yields, in spite of the fact that much of the crop has been destroyed by growing in the shock owing to the rains.

Remains Identified.

The remains of the young man killed by the Grand Trunk railway train one mile east of Nichols yard, Battle Creek, are identified as those of Bordell Sprague, of Nashville, Mich., and were taken there by his brother. The young man was employed by the Advance Thrasher Co., bore a good reputation and had plenty of money.

Rain Ruins Crops.

It has rained at Milan during the past two months without hardly a day passing without a heavy rain. The hay is nearly a failure, wheat and oats are not being harvested as the ground is too wet, and corn is drowned out in many places owing to the continued floods. Potatoes are rotting in the hill.

Presence of Mind.

When Earl Watkins, a 15-year-old lad, fell head first from a hayloft in his grandfather's barn in Cambria township, he had presence of mind to stretch his arms out in front of him. Both arms were broken, but they broke the force with which his head struck the floor and thus undoubtedly saved his life.

Forest Fires.

Forest fires have been burning in Ontonagon county, about ten miles west of Mass City, and have destroyed cedar products to the extent of over $20,000. Several camps have been burned, and the loss to a number of small timber operators will be heavy.

Huckleberries in Demand.

Hundreds of bushels of huckleberries are being shipped daily from West Branch to southern Michigan. The demand is better than the supply at $1.75 per bushel, as pickers are very scarce.

Lives Allotted Time.

Joseph Ploutz, a respected farmer of Erin and father of eleven children, died of lung trouble at the age of 71 years. He was born in Germany and has lived at Erin a greater part of his life.

Will Not Arrest Harton.

Mrs. Earl Messler, who was shot by Lee Harton was removed to Jackson. Mrs. Messler is not sure now but that the shooting was intentional, but inasmuch as her stories do not agree the young man will not again be arrested.

Bigamist Sent Up.

Daniel Griffin, who lately married a 15-year-old Ridgeway girl, changed his plea on a charge of bigamy to guilty and was sentenced to Ionia for fifteen months.

BIG TREES GROW IN MICHIGAN

Men Cut Cedars That Are Over Four Feet in Diameter.

George Foster of the Foster Lumber Company at Munising, says some of his men recently cut cedar that were over four feet in diameter and all sound. At Chatham, on the state experimental farm, is the stump of a gigantic elm measuring over nine feet across and it is believed to be one of the largest of its kind on record. Recently at this farm a photograph was taken of a cedar stump out of which eight cedar trees grew, the smallest of these being nineteen inches and the largest thirty-four inches across.

State Teachers' Institute.

A state teachers' institute meeting will be held in Port Huron at the high school building beginning August 11 and continue for eight days. Superintendent J. W. McKone of Albion will be conductor, assisted by Prof. Morse of the Western high school, Detroit; Miss Lynch of the Normal school, and County Commissioner of Schools R. S. Campbell. As a special feature of institute work, Mrs. Baker of Chicago has been engaged to give lessons and instructions in drawing.

Arm Has Five Breaks.

William McLaren, the Port Huron traveling man who was injured at the factory of the Vehicle & Implement Spring Company at Pontiac, lies very low at the Hotel Hodges. It is feared he can not recover. Superintendent A. J. Pullan is comfortable. His physician hopes to save the arm which was broken in five places. The arm will probably be stiff and it will be most unusual if the physician succeeds in saving it.

Reunion of the Eleventh.

The reunion of the Eleventh Michigan infantry will be held at Constantine on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 26 and 27. Arrangements are now being made for the reception of the veterans of the Eleventh and they will be given a royal welcome. There are only about fifty of them.

Exploded the Campanile.

Mrs. Tod Kincaid of Owosso and her daughter, Miss Alice McHardy, enjoy the distinction of being the last persons out of the Campanile at Venice before it fell. They explored the tower thoroughly and left but three or four minutes before the historic pile fell.

Saginaw Police Record.

Chief of Police Patrick Kain of Saginaw has compiled his annual report. The total number of arrests is 1,438, males, 1,254, and females, 184. Of these, 86 could neither read nor write. Of the males, 428 were married and 1,010 were not; females, married 62, single 122.

Lightning Burns Barn.

Lightning struck the barn of Chas. Ehinger of Palmyra. It was an elegant structure and well filled with hay and grain, and all were destroyed. He had just driven into the barn when the storm broke, but escaped injury. The loss is $1,500 and insured.

Back to First Principles.

Grain cradles are again in demand and the almost forgotten tool has gained a prominence that it has not enjoyed for many a long year, all on account of the wet weather which has made the fields so soft that the binders cannot be used.

New Industry for Pontiac.

The Norris company of Detroit will move its collar and cuff manufactory to Pontiac and proposes to begin manufacturing goods there as soon as it can move. The firm cannot hire enough girls in Detroit to make the business a success.

Finds Long-Lost Watch.

Forty years ago David Russell, a farmer of Amboy, Hillsdale county, lost a watch while working in the field. Not long ago a farmhand unearthed a ticker on the farm which has been identified as the long lost article.

Gasoline Ignites.

Mrs. A. C. Mann of Bay City was using gasoline in a cup with which to clean some clothing. The oil ignited suddenly and the flames blistered her arms and face and burned off the front of her hair and eyebrows.

An Old Joke.

A new fire alarm system has just been installed at Caro, and it is giving the humorists a great opportunity to show how funny they can be. Four false alarms were turned in in a single night.

Fat and Lean.

Coldwater has three lawyers whose aggregate weight is 690 pounds. Going to the other extreme, there are three physicians in the city whose total avoirdupois counts up but 375 pounds.

Woman Is a Hustler.

A woman in Richland township, Kalamazoo, Co., rode the binder to cut fifty acres of wheat and also cooked for harvest hands, besides doing her ordinary housework.

Seeks Vindication.

Julia Labryn of Wyoming township, Kent county, has begun suit against Matthew Mallhysee, a neighbor, for injury to her reputation by certain alleged defamatory remarks, placing the amount of damage at $100 or under.

Hail Storm In Lenawee.

A terrific hail storm visited the southern part of Lenawee county, cutting corn to shreds and injuring fruit. The ice was an inch or more deep on the ground.

GET A BIG LOGGING CONTRACT.

Ferguson Bros. to Get $500,000 for Lumbering Pine Tract.

Probably the biggest logging contract ever made in the upper peninsula has just been closed by Ferguson Bros. of Munising, whereby they secure the contract for lumbering an immense tract of pine on the Dead river and its branches west and northwest of Marquette, for Kibby & White of Albany, N. Y. Ferguson Bros. will get in the neighborhood of $500,000 for putting in the timber, which will require at least three years. The timber will be sawed at the Dead river mill, Marquette.

Work has begun on a new $12,000 opera house in Gladstone. It will be a substantial, fire-proof building with a large stage and a seating capacity of 1,000.

PIGEON BREAKS A HEADLIGHT.

Messenger of Peace Found Dead Beside the Engine Lamp.

When the Grand Trunk Pan-American flyer arrived at Durand from the west it was noticed that engine No. 1119 was minus part of the glass on her headlight. The engineer then remembered that a flock of pigeons swung across the track as they left Lansing, and he thought he struck a bird or two. An investigation showed a dead pigeon lying in the headlight beside the lamp. Railroad men say such an occurrence is unknown to them.

CLOSES ITS LUMBER BUSINESS

Menominee Concern Winds Up Its Affairs After Thirty Years.

With the shipment of 40,000 feet of lumber, which took the last slick out of the concern's yards, the Kirby-Carpenter Lumber company, recently closed its career as a manufacturer and shipper of lumber at Menominee, after just thirty years of successful operation at that point. At one time the company was the largest lumber manufacturing concern in the world, but now it has completely cleaned up all its holdings in Michigan.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Laura Streator.

Mrs. Laura Streator died at Galesburg, where she had resided since 1848, aged 85 years. The family has been identified with the history of Comstock township, Kalamazoo county, since 1848. Two sons, Harry D. and Quincy, survive Mrs. Streator.

Miles McGuigan.

Miles McGuigan, a pioneer resident of Watertown township, is dead, aged 70 years. He was a great sufferer for years. He is survived by a widow and ten children.

Hotel Men Missing.

Van Kuren & Roseberry, the proprietors of Clemson House at Adrain, have left the hotel and no one knows their whereabouts. The porter and a chambermaid seem to hold the castle, but are doing no hotel business.

Convention Called.

The Saginaw county Republican committee held a well attended meeting at which it was decided to hold the Saginaw county convention August 20 at 11 a. m. at the Saginaw city hall.

New Opera House.

He hurried back to camp, where he buried his clothing, took a bath, and in other ways tried to rid himself of the odor the pretty little black and white fellow without any qualms had emitted.

Wants $5,000 Damages.

John A. Johnson has begun suit against the township of Carrollton for $5,000 damages for alleged injuries received May 24 last by falling on a defective sidewalk.

"Porky" Was a Skunk.

Rev. Asa Wallace is rusticating near Munising. While out walking he saw a "porcupine." The divine approached it for a closer inspection.

Gets Table Factory.

By providing a suitable building rent free Constantine secures a table factory which will give employment to at least fifty people.

Paper Mill Contracts.

Contracts are being let for the construction of the pulp and paper mills which the Consolidated Paper company will build at Munising.

Maccabees' Basket Picnic.

The annual basket picnic of the Livingston county K. O. T. M. and L. O. T. M. will be held at Island Lake August 14.

Pray for Less Rain, Get More.

In the Sunday morning church services at Durand the ministers prayed that the rain would cease and the farmers' crops be spared. A fierce storm broke over the town as the ministers completed their prayers.

Abandon the Fair.

Directors of the Genesee County Agricultural Society have decided not to give a fair this fall, on account of the Elks' carnival and bad weather that has caused widespread discouragement among farmers.

Railroad Taxes.

Railroad taxes received by the auditor general were as follows: Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic, $68,804.30; Detroit & Mackinac, $24,147.13; Union Railroad Depot & Station Co. of Detroit, $2,928.35.

Boy Horsethief.

Edward Kenway, the Port Huron youth who confessed to having stolen four horses, was sentenced by Judge Law to two years at Ionia reformatory.

Russia and the Trusts.

It is semi-officially announced that the Russian minister of finance expects a reply in the negative from the powers to the note regarding international action against trusts. When such replies are received the Russian government will once more affirm that any increase in duties on Russian sugar will be regarded as an infringement of existing treaties, and, if such increase is enforced, the Russian government will consider itself free to disregard its treaty stipulations. The ministry of finance does not propose to take measures against the powers collectively, but special circumstances in each case will be considered with a view to the adoption of the measure most advantageous to Russia.

A Dakota Hurricane.

Lisbon, N. D., was the center of a fearful hurricane and destructive hailstorm Friday. Crops within a belt extending 10 or more miles south are totally destroyed. In places even the prairie grass is swept off. Barns and outhouses in all directions were wrecked and dwelling houses damaged. All windows on the north side of the buildings were shattered by hail and the houses flooded by the torrent of rain which fell. In Lisbon hardly a building escaped damage. Stock is scattered and thousands of chickens and birds were killed. No person was killed, although a few were injured. The neighboring towns of Buttsville, Englevale and Sheldon were also affected.

Seven men were fearfully burned Thursday by an explosion in one of the buildings of the Stoddard Manufacturing Works at Dayton, O., caused by a leakage of natural gas. Edward Banker, John Connors and Edward Fetters may die.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the standing of the American and National league clubs up to and including the games played on Tuesday, August 5, 1902:

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Chicago	69	35	.663
St. Louis	47	37	.560
Philadelphia	46	37	.554
Boston	48	44	.522
Washington	41	47	.466
Cleveland	41	49	.456
Detroit	40	49	.449
Baltimore	37	54	.420

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Pittsburg	64	30	.761
Brooklyn	50	41	.549
Chicago	49	42	.538
Boston	44	49	.524
Cincinnati	40	46	.465
St. Louis	39	47	.456
Philadelphia	36	54	.400
New York	28	59	.322

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 9.

WHITNEY THEATER—"The Heart of Chicago." Matinee, 10c, 20c, 30c; Evenings, 1 to 1 c, 25c. WONDERLAND—Afternoons, 10 to 3:30, 10c, 15c, and 20c. Evenings, 7:30 to 11, 15c, 25c, and 35c.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.—Cattle—Good corn fed cattle, strong and good demand; choice steers, $4@4.50; good to choice butcher steers, 1,000 to 1,150 pounds, $3.75@3.90; light to good butcher steers and heifers, 700 to 900 pounds, $3.60@3.80; mixed butchers and fat cows, $3.50@3.60; canners, $2.50 @2.90; common bulls, $2.50@3.10; good shippers bulls, $3.50@3.60; common stockers, $2.75@2.90; good stockers, $3@3.25; light stockers, $3@3.40. Milch Cows—Steady, $30@45. Veal Calves—Steady, $4@6.25.

Sheep and Lambs—Market fully 50 cents lower than last week. Best lambs, $6@6.25; two extra fine bunches brought $6.50. Light to good mixed lots, $4.50@5; yearlings, $5.50@6; fair to good butcher sheep, $3.50@4; culls and common, $2@3.

Hogs—Market steady at last week's prices; quality badly mixed. Light to good butchers, $7.05@7.10; bulk at $7.05; pigs and light yorkers, $7.00@7.05; roughs, $5.25@6; stags, $4@4.50.

Chicago.—Cattle—Good to prime, $7.65@8.35; poor to medium, $4.50@7.60; stockers and feeders, $2.40@5.25; cows, $1.50@5.75; bulls, $2.50@5.50; calves, $3@7.50. Texas fed steers, $4.25@5.75; western steers, $4@6.90.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $7.20@7.60; good to choice heavy, $7.50@7.60; rough heavy, $7.20@7.40; light, $7.47½@7.60; bulk of sales, $7.40@7.50.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $4@4.60; fair to choice mixed, $2.50@4.

East Buffalo.—Cattle—Light demand; prices same as last quotations. Veals higher; top, $7.50; fair to good, $6.75@7; common to light, $4@6; grass calves, $3.50@4.

Hogs—Heavy, $8.10@8.20; mixed, $8.05@ 8.15; pigs, $8@8.05; roughs, $6.90@7; stags, $5@6.50.

Sheep—Wethers and yearlings, steady; top lambs, $6.75@6.80; fair to good, $6.25@ 6.65; culls and common, $4.25@5; yearlings, $4.75@5.25; wethers, $4.75@5; sheep, top mixed, $3.75@4.50; culls to common, $2.25@ 4.50; ewes, $4@4.25.

Grain.

Detroit.—Wheat—No. 1 white, 75c; No. 2 red, 71¾c; July, 8,000 bu at 72c, closing nominal at 71¾c; September, 1,000 bu at 73¾c, 5,000 bu at 72¾c, 2,000 bu at 72¼c, closing nominal at 72c; December, 72½c; No. 3 red, 68¾c; mixed winter, 71¾c; rejected red, 1 car at 65c; by sample, 1 car at 70½c, 1 car at 71½c, 1 car at 69¼c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 66c; No. 3 yellow, 67c per bu.

Oats—No. 2 white, 41c, No. 3 do, 2 cars at 40c; mixed, 39c. Rye—No. 2 cash, 64c; August, do, 59¼c bid; September, 1,000 bu at 52c, closing nominal at 53c per bu.

Chicago.—Wheat—No. 2 spring, 70@74c; No. 3, 67@72c; No. 2 red, 71@72c.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 60½c.

Oats—No. 2, 29@37c. No. 2 white, 36@40c.

Produce.

Butter—Creameries, extra, 21½@22c; first, 20@21c; dairies, selected extra, 20c; good to choice, 19@19½c; bakers' grades, 13 @16c.

Dressed Calves—Fancy, 9@9½c per lb; fair, 8@8½c per lb.

Eggs—Candled fresh receipts, 19c; at mark, 17@17½c per doz.

Evaporated Apples—9¼ per lb; sundried, 6@6c per lb.

Apples—Common, $1.50@2 per bbl; fancy, $2.75@3 per bbl.

Hay—Prices on baled hay now are as follows: Timothy, $13@13.50; No. 2, $11.00@12; clover, mixed, $11; rye straw, $6.50@7; wheat and oat straw, $5.50 per ton in bales. Baling is 50c extra.

Wool—Detroit buyers are paying the following prices: Medium unwashed, 18½c; fine do, 16½c; do bucks, 10c; unwashed rags, 6c per lb.

In New York, Alfred Croneberger, 14 months old, died from the bite of a mosquito, which caused erysipelas.

Barnabas McGann, a miner of Adrian, Brookville, Pa., citizen, committed suicide Thursday by igniting a stick of dynamite. His body was frightfully mangled and his home partially wrecked by the explosion.

A heavy loss of life has occurred from an explosion at Mt. Kimbla colliery at Wollongong, 40 miles from Sydney, N. S. W. One hundred and forty-nine miners were entombed, but 100 are still entombed. A portion of the colliery is on fire.

C. W. Merchant, J. H. Parramore and R. G. Anderson, of Abilene, and Cape Willingham, of McMillan, prominent Texas stock men, have arrived at Dallas en route to Canada, where they will engage a range for next season. Heretofore Texas cowmen have been sending cattle to the Dakotas and the Wyoming country, but next spring they will try the experiment of using a Canadian range, as they expect in Canada to meet with less disturbance from public authorities. The Texas combination expects to pasture about 200 head of cattle in Canada next year.

Strong effort is being made to have a naval station located in Holland.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

REIGN OF TERROR.

First Big Riot of the Coal Miners' Strike at Shenandoah, Pa.

Four policemen and a score or more of the striking miners were shot in a riot which broke out at Shenandoah, Pa., Wednesday night when a deputy sheriff attempted to escort non-union workers through the strikers' line of pickets. One of the workmen carried a bundle which was found to contain a blouse and overalls. The man was taken from the deputy and beaten almost to death. The deputy opened fire which was returned by the strikers. Shortly after this the entire police force of the borough arrived on the scene and were met with a shower of clubs and bricks. The chief of police gave the order to fire, which started the riot in which over 1,000 shots were exchanged.

As a result of the serious rioting Shenandoah was guarded Thursday and ruled by the militia. The request for troops was made by Sheriff Beddell, who telegraphed to Gov. Stone that he was utterly unable to cope with the rioters. The town, he said, was without police protection and local government terrorized. The miners are incensed at the calling out of the troops, which action they say was unwarranted.

Violence Is Spreading.

Attacks on non-union men are becoming common in the various Wilkesbarre, Pa., mines, and the coal company officials say they will ask for troops to protect their men if it continues any longer.

A crowd of 1,500 men and boys prevented the resumption of work at the Wanke tunnel at Pittston.

Two crowds of strikers, numbering fully 3,000 men, women and children, collected at the Reading & Union Co. operations, located at Curned and Shamokin, and hurled stones and sticks at the non-union men. Six of the latter were captured by the mob near Richards's colliery and were badly pummelled, promising to remain away from the colliery until the strike ends they were liberated.

The attitude of the striking mine workers in Shenandoah is daily becoming more demonstrative. A mob went to West Shenandoah colliery and drove the non-union workmen from the engines, pumps and fire rooms. The workmen were compelled to seek refuge in the camp of the coal and iron police.

From the West Shenandoah mine the mob proceeded to Indian Ridge colliery, where they were confronted by a body of special police, whose presence prevented violence.

Hundreds of men lined the roads leading to the Shamokin collieries and prevented the non-union men from going to work. John Shipman and son, non-union men, were brutally beaten. Strike leaders are busily engaged in trying to calm the strikers.

Western Coal Miners' Strike.

President George S. Richardson, of the miners' organizations in the Kansas district, stated that the miners of Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas and Indian Territory will not be satisfied. The recent interstate conference here decided to postpone a strike until next year. Developments since that time, however, may make it necessary to enforce a recognition of the union from certain companies. The miners have little hope of securing a contract here, but in case they should strike, all four districts will stand together in the fight.

"Shoot to Kill."

Three night attacks were made on the sentries of the camp of the militia in Shenandoah, Pa., and the guards were stoned by parties, who escaped in every case but one. This was Wm. Stoltz, a Lithuanian, was captured. The entire camp was called to arms and the surrounding territory searched. Private Payne, of the Ninth regiment, was the only sentry injured.

By orders of Gen. Gobin, a double guard supplied with ball cartridges now surrounds the camp and the sentries have been instructed that if the stone-throwing is repeated they must shoot to kill and investigate afterwards.

The arrests of several men who took part in the riots of last week were made Monday.

A Chinaman's Wedding.

The wedding of Yee Hing, the wealthiest Chinaman in Cleveland, and his 16-year-old bride, Ah Shain, whose home was in Chicago, was celebrated at an expense of $12,000. Over 250 guests from New York, Chicago and other cities participated in the festivities which continued four days. Over 1,000 feasts were used in the wedding feast. Yee Hing had a display of pyrotechnics for two hours along a whole square of Lake street, and burned $5,000 worth of imported fireworks.

Mrs. Peary's Quest.

Provisioned for several months and all equipped to withstand the rigors of the polar seas, the Peary relief steamer Windward sailed from Hallett's wharf for the north. Aboard are Mrs. Peary and her little daughter Marie. The wife of the explorer is confident of finding her husband at Cape Sabine, and his safe return to civilization will be signalized by the news that he has discovered the long sought for pole.

Thousands of New Pensioners.

Commissioner of Pensions Ware says that legislation enacted by the last session of congress will result in at least 10,000 new pensioners. The number of names added to the list of this year was 999,446. This shows a steady growth of the roll for a number of years. Commissioner Ware said today that this growth was accounted for by the constant new pension legislation by congress.

The executive council has increased the railroad assessment of Iowa $4,041,556, making a total of $51,112,814.

Gov. Bandholtz, of Tayabas province, has telegraphed Acting Governor Wright that the constabulary police forces of five towns attacked and defeated a force under Ruperto Rios, leader of a fanatical Filipino society. Many of Rios' followers were killed or wounded, but only a few of the police were hurt.

Given E. Brocar, aged 19, of Louisville, Ky., a landsman of the United States cruiser Montgomery, lying at the Brooklyn navy yard, committed suicide by taking poison on board the vessel. It is thought his recent failure to pass an examination for naval yeoman caused him to become despondent.

Father O'Reilly's Denunciation.

The United Mine Workers' organization was scathingly denounced by Rev. H. P. O'Reilly, of Shenandoah, in the Church of the Annunciation in a sermon to which 1,500 persons listened.

"You should have the manhood to go back to work and defy this organization known as the United Mine Workers. It is a blood-stained organization, and it will be blood-stained until it ceases to exist. It was formed to promote crime and protect criminals. Every one was happy and contented here until Mitchell and Fahey came and organized unions.

"These men are not working men. They are not respectable, and I would not give two cents for the opinion of either of them. They draw big salaries and live on the best the country by preying on the paltry earnings of you poor, deluded men, while your unfortunate families are starving.

"I for one am glad troops are needed here. If they are taken away, God only knows how many lives will be sacrificed.

"I have seen many strikes, my children, and I say to you, even if won, the cost is too great. It's the women and children who go hungry, who live in fever of riot and bloodshed, who suffer most. You should consider them."

The Kaiser's View.

The king of Italy's proposal of a contraction of European armaments is a subject on which the German emperor has pronounced views. His opinion, well known to diplomats, is that disarmament is a dream of the future and a fantastic idea when considered in connection with the existing continental situation.

"Germany cannot consent to impair her finest instrument of offense, which is the defense of her existence," he is reported as saying, "and some other nations are unable to equal it. We can stand the expense, and besides I consider that the army returns to the nation all that it costs, in discipline of character, and wholesome training of the boy."

After Murderer Tracy.

The pursuers of Tracy, the Dakota fiend, are proceeding on the theory that he is somewhere in the southern part of Lincoln county, Washington. Sheriff Gardner has established a post at Reardan, 15 miles east of Davenport, having traveled all night. Later they left for Edwall, and a telephone message from there says they left for the south, presumably for the Crab creek country. Sheriff Douset, of Spokane county, and a posse are gathering in Sprague county, and Sheriff Gardner, of Lincoln, is still covering the northern end of the county. It is reported that Tracy has been seen near Odessa, in the Crab creek country.

Are the Boers Plotting?

The correspondent of the Daily Mail at The Hague says it is becoming increasingly difficult to combat the generally accepted Dutch theory that the Boer leaders are campaigning toward the ultimate subversion of British rule in South Africa.

The Boer general, Lucas Meyer, who has just reached Holland from London, leaves for Germany, has stopped at The Hague, is going to visit Kruger, while several other prominent Boer leaders are assembling there. Nobody at The Hague, continues the correspondent, believes their story that their mission is to collect funds for the Boer widows.

Navy Needs More Men.

Efforts will be made during the next session of congress to increase the limit of the enlisted strength of the navy from 25,000 to 40,000 men. This recommendation will be made by Rear-Admiral Taylor, chief of the board of navigation, in the forthcoming annual report. Although 25,000 men are authorized for the present needs of the service that number will not be large enough to supply the full complement of ships under construction and those which congress will authorize in the next few years.

CONDENSED NEWS.

A ruling has just been made in Honolulu to the effect that ex-Queen Liliuokalani must pay the income tax on her annual allowance of $7,500 from the territory. The tax amounts to $150.

The Chinese foreign office has notified United States Minister Conger that government troops have killed between 300 and 400 rioters in Sze-Chuen province and that order is now restored there.

David Morris, a farmer, aged 48, was killed by his son, Dave Morris, aged 22, near Prattsville, O. The son demanded the use of a horse. When the father refused the son struck him with a club.

The body of James Meyers, commercial traveler, drowned Tuesday at Manitou Beach, near Rochester, N. Y., was found Thursday by a young woman bather, who dived close to the corpse.

The will of Thos. F. Lane, the American representative of Vickers and Maxim, who died in Washington, D. C., nearly two years ago, has been found in a safe deposit vault in Washington. His widow, who was a daughter of Senator Blackburn, of Kentucky, died recently.

The Flint council has passed an ordinance prohibiting the Detroit United cars from running faster than 12 miles an hour inside the city limits.

Gov. Gota, of the province of Formosa, has arrived at Honolulu Island to study American methods of excluding Chinese immigrants. Japan is said to be preparing to adopt an exclusion act.

While cholera is decreasing in Manila reports received from the provinces show a large number of cases and deaths. Since the outbreak of the epidemic there have been reported throughout the archipelago a total of 21,408 cases and 16,105 deaths.

James McConnell and George Garrett, 15-year-old boys, have just ended a journey from New York to Chicago in a lightweight gasoline automobile. According to the record kept by the boys their actual running time was 11 days, 11-2 hours, but the full time of the journey was 33 days. Nearly 20 days was lost at different points waiting for repairs. Their best run was 100 miles in nine hours.

Dust on a Christian's Bible is a top dressing that the devil can always use to make a crop.

Hold a fruit stained article over a bowl and pour boiling water through the cloths.