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After all, the corn crop is able to sit up and notice things.

The Turks seem determined to keep up the slaughter until they run out of Macedonians.

It would be a great joke if Boston should be obliged to send to the Philippines for codfish.

Sir Thomas lost his binnacle, but he will take his vermiform appendix back to England with him.

Secretary Chamberlain was all right until he became so well known that people called him "Joe."

Naturally the rural mail carriers object to country roads out of which the bottoms have dropped.

Connecticut will have to whittle its cigars out of something else this year. Its tobacco crop is a failure.

A woman who knows how to make good bread can lack a lot of brains and her family will never miss them.

Stuart Robson left $31,992, mostly in cash in the bank—which is about the most satisfactory possession, after all.

Now for a rush of hunters to Alaska! Dr. Frizell, government scientist, reports seeing fresh mammoth tracks up there.

The assets of the $12,000,000 National Salt company have been sold for $337,000. Evidently the salt mines were salted.

After submitting to an interview the sultan of Turkey has the nasty habit of turning the interviewer over to the executioner.

Perhaps Mrs. Peary was afraid that after another dash for the pole there would be no use trying to make Robert toe the mark.

A lack of expert management in the present crisis in European affairs is painfully evident. Where is Correspondent Creelman?

We learn by telegraph that a bather at Asbury Park was arrested for wearing a high hat into the water. If that was all, no wonder.

If Harry Lehr ever comes to grief in a financial way he can soon restablish his fallen fortunes by starting a man-milliner shop.

When the United States army goes up against the football players of this country it will meet the fate that sooner or later comes to every champion.

Having sold the first two Shamrocks, perhaps Sir Thomas Lipton has got a quarter of the money that he will need to pay his expert doctors' bills.

Capt. Wringe will make a first rate American citizen, but there are three or four available skippers between him and the job of sailing a cup defender.

Another American word, "nickel," has joined "biftek" and "rosbif" in the French vocabulary. It is used in speaking of the new French five-cent nickel coin.

A daring Frenchman is coming across the Atlantic next May in an airship. Prof. Langley will meet him on the banks of the Potomac with an automobile.

With the friendly help of Mr. Rockefeller and other well-known citizens, young Cornelius Vanderbilt has "made" $10,000,000 in the stock market. Who lost it?

Following his plan of commemorating the army and navy in music, Mr. Sousa's next composition should be a spirited symphonic poem entitled "Uncharted Rocks."

Recklessly discharging a revolver at a concert at Middletown, N. Y., a man sent a bullet through the bass horn of a member of that band. Perhaps you can imagine what the band was playing.

An Eastern woman on the eve of her wedding wanted the word "obey" ruled out of the marriage service. But why couldn't she accept the word in its purely Pickwickian sense as the rest of 'em do?

Uncle Sam's income is over $2,000,000 a day, which is somewhat larger than Mr. Rockefeller's income. But Mr. Rockefeller's percentage of profits is greater than Uncle Sam's. He has less competition.

The trouble with some well-meaning people is that they think religion and loud professions of piety synonymous. Religion is good conduct. Love and justice—this is the law and the prophets. This will be great news to some editors.

If the late Mr. Newton's theory of gravitation is false we are at last relieved to know that we haven't been talking around like flies on a ceiling, after all. It always seemed an undignified proceeding and we'e glad to be set right—and upright.

Isn't it a little queer that none of the devotees of the higher criticism have ever worked out any theories as to what variety of apple it was with which the serpent tempted Eve?

A man may feel quite sure that he understands women unless he sees the creature his daughter has decided to marry, and then he knows he doesn't.

When the miners at Dawson become surfeited with the sight of gold they go down to the corner grocery and look at eggs marked $3 a dozen.

Michigan Happenings

A Bad Wreck.

Engineer F. J. Dormer, of the Pere Marquette, was instantly killed Saturday morning near Breedsville in one of the worst wrecks ever known on the road. About a dozen freight cars were burned and many hundreds of dollars in merchandise destroyed. Train No. 58, south bound, was run in two sections, both heavily laden. As the first section rounded the curve just north of the village, the air hose broke, setting the brakes on every car and stopping the train. A brakeman was sent back to flag the second section but had not gone more than 30 car lengths before the engine was upon him. The curve prevented the engineer from seeing the danger until he was close to the danger signal, and then it was too late to more than check his speed. Engineer Dormer bravely stuck to his post, and when the engine plowed into the caboose ahead of him the shock was so great as to completely overturn the wrecking train completely. When his body was recovered it had been slightly burned but it is thought he was killed instantly and did not suffer from the fire, which quickly enveloped the cars immediately in front and behind the wrecked locomotive. Dormer's home was in Grand Rapids.

Will Want $10,000 More.

The deed for the site of the State Institution for the Employment of the Blind, in Saginaw, has been accepted and the plans of Architect Cowles subject to modifications which he will make, were also practically adopted. The institution will comprise four buildings, in a generally classic style of architecture, and the administration building and two dormitories, to face Houghton avenue and Bliss park. The machinery and factory building will be a substantial structure and comparatively plain. It is thought the buildings will cost $80,000 or $10,000 more than it was at first thought. It is also likely that a superintendent's residence will be erected at no distant date, this plan being thought preferable by some members of the board to that of providing a permanent superintendent's residence in the administration building.

Millions in Taxes.

Auditor-General Powers announces that the state levy this year is $4,003,024 62, which is the highest on record. In 1901 it was $3,835,841 97, and in 1899 it was $3,725,875 01. Wayne county will pay $753,373 58, against $502,486 07 in 1901. The next largest county levies are Houghton $355,125 45 and Kent $288,294 93.

Some of the larger items are, for general purposes, $800,000; university, $397,525; Agricultural College, $100,000; Normal school, $110,000; College of Mines, $116,000; Soldiers' Home, $143,375; Home for Feeble Minded, $161,600; School for the Deaf, $105,000; prison improvement, $173,475; national guard, $121,000; asylums, $695,000.

Bank Closed.

Saturday the Eau Claire Canning Co., drew checks to the amount of $4,500 on the private bank of Dr. A. C. Probert, in that village, but the bank did not have the money wherewith to cash them. The doors were closed, but the cashier promised to reopen them Monday. Probert was mixed up with the state board of health in the St. Luke's hospital deal at Niles a few years ago. The canning company is the bank's chief depositor.

Ell to Be a Witness.

In the Ingham county circuit court Monday Prosecuting Attorney McArthur asked for permission to add the names of Eli R. Sutton, Court Stenographer Lemuel Stevens, wife and F. J. Hopkins, assistant cashier of the City National bank, to the information as witnesses in the case of John Holbrook, charged with attempting to bribe jurors in the Sutton case.

Principal Will Fight.

The case of the People vs. E. M. Ledyard, the school principal of Ionia, who is charged with assault and battery upon 9-year-old Bessie Carle, a pupil, was adjourned till October 17. Ledyard has employed Attorneys Kelley and Searle, of Ionia, to defend him and two local attorneys will act as counsel. Defendant says he will fight the case through the supreme court to make a test on record.

An Ill-Treated Woman.

Great indignation has been aroused in Niles by an accusation made against William Putnam, a local mail carrier, who is charged in the state association of mail carriers. He is charged with having ill-treated his grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Brown, aged 90 years. Mrs. Brown has made oath that Putnam struck her a severe blow and threw her from his home, telling her to go to the poorhouse or somewhere else.

A Bold Robbery.

A hold-up and successful robbery which in point of boldness was never equalled in Grand Rapids, was perpetrated this morning in the office of C. H. Gleason in the Powers building when Alma Rideout, Mr. Gleason's stenographer, was knocked down and rendered unconscious and later gagged before her assailant went through the open safe and took away $184 in cash, leaving large checks.

In order to furnish the required bonus for the new normal school a special election has been called at Kalamazoo to authorize a $70,000 bond issue.

Gov. Bliss has commuted to 20 years the sentence of 25 years' imprisonment imposed upon Fred Newbery for highway robbery by Judge Burlingame, of Grand Rapids, in 1892. It is claimed that the judge gave Newbery a sentence of 25 years because he was 35 years old and at the same time sentenced another prisoner for the same offense to 20 years because he was 20 years of age.

A baby was found on their doorstep by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Clausen, of Ludington. With it was a note which read: "Keep this and care for it as your own." The Clausens say $5,000 wouldn't buy the baby now.

While attending the funeral of her grandson, Mrs. Henry Mertz, of Port Huron, dropped dead of heart disease Tuesday.

Sidney I. Miller, of Springfield township, has just finished digging a field of twenty-five acres of potatoes. The yield was from 125 to 150 bushels to the acre and the potatoes were all of good quality, apparently being uninjured by wet weather or the blight.

Missing Man Heard From.

William J. Pearce, of Pontiac, who mysteriously disappeared from Detroit about a month ago, has written his family that he is safe and sound in Elgin, Ill. In an incoherent and jumbled-up epistle, Pearce wrote that he could not remember a thing from the time he left Detroit, about five weeks ago, until he suddenly regained consciousness in Elgin. He said that he had been wandering about, but that he did not know where or how he had managed to live; that he was badly in need of care and attention, as he had fallen in weight from 175 pounds to less than 140, and his whole system seemed to be racked and wrecked as a result of his unconscious meanderings.

A Juror Arrested.

R. M. Thomas, of Thomasville, who was foreman of the jury which convicted Deputy Spofford, has been arrested on a charge of perjury in connection with the trial. Thomas says that he knew nothing of the case and could sit on the trial as a competent juror. It is now said that he knew all about the case and will possess a full alibi. It is told that he would like to see ex-Sheriff Spofford tried and send him to jail.

Ben Was Needless.

Because two of the directors had resigned and it was rumored that four others had done likewise, there was a little run on the Muskegon Savings bank Monday, though the state bank examiner had just made a very flattering report on the institution's condition. The other banks offered to help out in the emergency, but no assistance was needed.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Adrian is to have a central heating system.

Marquette expects to have a new keg factory this winter.

Lucas farmers have sold 10,000 bushels of cucumbers this season.

The Michigan College of Mines has opened with a large enrollment.

The Seventh Day Adventists will establish a tablet factory in Menominee.

While trying to kill a sheep, a Kinderhook farmer cut off two of his toes.

Michigan has more varied manufacturing industries than any state in the union.

As soon as the houses in the city are numbered, Mt. Pleasant is to have free delivery of mail.

October 29 is the date set for a sale of state tax lands in Missaukee and Newaygo counties.

The Michigan national guard left Wednesday afternoon for their encampment in Kentucky.

Gen. Wheeler, of the Orchard Lake military academy, expelled one of the upper class men for hazing a new student.

For concealing the existence of a case of smallpox at his house, Anthony Spitzley, of Westphalia, was fined $25 and costs.

A $15,000 fire gutted a large business section of Quincy Tuesday, nicely starting from the explosion of a gasoline stove.

Custom Collector Moffatt, of Alpena, seized about 30,000 feet of pine lumber which had washed ashore from a Canadian vessel.

The hundreds of bushels of fruit rotting around Petoskey for want of a market has revived the talk of a canning factory.

The trial of ex-Senator John Holbrook, accused of attempting to bribe a juror in the Sutton case, has been set for next Friday.

The receipts of the state land office for June to September inclusive, amounted to $109,015 97, a large portion of which is for lands sold.

Saginaw capitalists have purchased 320 acres of land near Omer in which there is an immense bed of clay. They will erect a $75 brick plant there.

Hillsdale and Jackson capitalists have purchased a 640-acre ranch in Idaho with a view to establishing a fish hatchery and raising trout for the market.

The State Anti-Saloon league intends conducting campaigns for local option in Branch, Berrien, Mecosta, Newaygo, St. Joseph and Oceana counties this fall.

A Hoxeyville man has invented a two-horse potato digger, which he has had constructed at the village blacksmith shop and which he is using on his farm.

Valuable iron discoveries have been made near Rossburg, east of Aitkin. Two leases have been made with the settler by speculators for a 30-year period at $1 per acre.

Michigan ranks fourteenth among the states in her number of distilleries. There are 211 with a combined capital of $7,985,228 and an annual production valued at $6,735,154.

Gold was discovered on the Bushman farm near the Soo, and averaged 1 1-2 ounces to each barrel of sand. A company will be formed and mining machinery installed at once.

George Matheson's home at Rock Lake, near the Soo, was wrecked by a stick of wood containing dynamite. Mrs. Matheson went out of the house before the wood was ignited, thereby saving her life.

Acting upon the complaint of a Benton Harbor fruit grower, Railroad Commissioner Atwood has instructed the prosecuting attorney of Berrien county to proceed against the Pere Marquette railroad for an alleged excessive charge for shipments into that place. The complaint is based on an old law regulating freight rates, and involves the validity of which the railroad disputes.

In Big Rapids a couple owning a dog were divorced, but neither could give up the dog, which, in turn, could not choose between its masters. To facilitate matters, they rented a double house, each occupying half.

William Price, of Whitlemore, is dead and his wife is in a critical condition as a result of taking acquite, by mistake, in medicine prepared for colds.

Dr. W. E. Robinson left Berrien Springs one week ago for the ostensible purpose of taking a post-graduate course at Louisville, Ky. About the same time Miss Jennie Glover, a popular young lady, and one of the doctor's patients, started for a visit to a sister in Washington. Gossip has linked the names together ever since, and we expected to return. The doctor leaves a wife, some years his senior, but a lovable woman.

Six Allegan school boys caught Earl Sturgis, a classmate, and clipped part of his hair off. The boys thought it a joke until Mrs. Sturgis demanded $65 from their parents as a settlement.

The postoffice trouble at Henderson has finally been settled. John Telfer, the Owosso man who recently moved there, gets the little job, which pays $300.

Buchanan is without light and water, the Chapin Electric company refusing to carry the village accounts any longer. The concern has held up the bills for several months.

Two hundred and forty acres of low land near Montgomery were sold last week to a man from Dayton, O., who will use the entire acreage for a celery farm. It will be the largest in the state.

Menominee county claims to be the healthiest county in the upper peninsula, and has the lowest death rate. There were 21 deaths there during last month.

After 30 years' separation, through family trouble, John Welch, of Cobbtown, found his sister, Mrs. Kittie Roberts, living at Lake Linden, Houghton county.

Murder is counted in the mysterious burning of the barn and body of L. H. Brady, a prominent farmer and justice of the peace, near Wales town ship, Tuesday night.

The first killing frost in Oceola county did little damage, as all crops were in. Corn and buckwheat are showing a fine yield, and the apple crop here is of superb quality.

Perhaps the small st estate ever probated in Washtenaw county is that of Mrs. Charlotte Watson, of Ypsilanti. It consists of a postoffice voucher for $24 and there are seven heirs.

Gardeners in the vicinity of Coldwater are daily delivering in the city grates of strawberries equal in quality to those which have been selling readily at from 18 to 20 cents a quart.

It is expected that trains will be running to Port Hope by November 1. That point will then be the terminus of the branch of the Pere Marquette, instead of Harbor Beach, as at present.

An automobile factory is projected in Portland, with a capitalization of $150,000. Of this amount $50,000 has already been subscribed and those behind the project state that the rest will be forthcoming.

Rumors are rife of a big food trust to include the Fleischmann Co., of Buffalo; the Malta-Vita Co., of Battle Creek, and Toronto; the Mapl-Flake Co., of Battle Creek and Buffalo, and the Cero-Fruto Co., of Battle Creek.

Walter Nettle, of the Pontiac ball club, was terribly, perhaps fatally, injured in a game at Royal Oak Saturday. Nettle was at bat and was struck on the head by a ball pitched by Chas. Brent, of the Royal Oak team. His skull was crushed in.

August Quant, a German living north of Holland, pleaded guilty to the charge of cruelly beating his mother, aged 75, in a fit of drunken anger. He paid $10 and costs. He says his mother deserved the beating, and that he will send her to the poorhouse.

A White Mr. Hughes, the Irish, of Hillsdale, lay critically ill, the second family clock, whose striking side had long been in disuse, struck one and followed it with nine successive strokes. Nine after at the hour of one, Mrs. Irish died.

The 7-year-old daughter of Gus Mellow, of Carney, was playing with matches when her dress caught fire, and she was so badly burned about the head, arms and shoulders that her recovery is doubtful. She probably inhaled flames as well.

Because the girl refused to again appear at the trial of David Harris in Lansing, the colored man once convicted of assault and afterward granted a new trial, the prosecutor nolle prossed the case and Harris goes free after being in jail 265 days.

Private Webb, of Co. B, Fort Bardy, is in the hospital as the result of an encounter he with a colored unknown negro whom he attempted to halt while on sentry duty. The negro drew a gun, which went off in the struggle, and wounded the Irish boy, which may have to be amputated. The assailant escaped.

Leslie Crawford, a Bay City youth, went out to shoot ducks. While lying in a duck blind he saw a bottom of the boat the trigger caught and discharged the weapon, the shot striking him in the left arm. His companion rowed him ashore and placed him on a street car, which brought him to Mercy hospital. The arm was amputated.

Bernard Cook and Amos Kies, prominent Camden farmers, engaged in a quarrel and finally came to blows. Cook carried a long corn knife with which, it is claimed, he struck Kies a heavy blow, which nearly killed him, cutting a deep gash on his breast and arm. Kies is in a critical condition.

Guy Lenon, the executor to whom the firm of Twelliger was pointed in the supposed murder of L. H. Brady at Wales, whose charred body was found in his burning barn, was arrested by Sheriff Davidson at his home at Grand Rapids. He protests his innocence and says he has been about his home all the time.

When Frank Bardwell, charged with killing Mrs. Ethel Hodge, his sister-in-law, at a dance in Belle Vieter hall, Bay City, April 19, was acquitted, the 250 miners in the court room cheered until the judge was obliged to order their dispersal by the deputy sheriffs. Bardwell's counsel, Attorneys Lawyers wept and his friends showered money on him.

More than was promised has come to the depositors in the Montague bank of H. H. Terwilliger, which closed last November, when Terwilliger cleared out. All creditors have not only been paid in full, but have just received 5 per cent on the money while it was tied up.

Louis Stadiel, a farmer from Bath, lies at the Lansing hospital with five knife wounds on his body, one in his back being quite deep, and Patrick Dillmore, a sugar factory employe, is charged with the stabbing. The two met on the street at midnight in an intoxicated condition and a scrap ensued in which Stadiel will recover.

Gov. Bliss has appointed the following members of a special commission to represent Michigan's copper interests at the Duluth exposition: W. E. Parnell, Calumet; Dr. L. L. Hubbard, Palaeosade; J. J. Cave, Hancock; Frank M. Stanton, Houghton; R. H. Shields, Hancock; J. L. Harris, Hancock; Prof. A. E. Seaman, Houghton; Samuel Brady, Rockland.

While excavating for a store building at Manistique, workmen found the trunk of a big tree lying on bedrock at a depth of 10 feet, where it evidently had been washed ashore years ago, when that s a was covered by the lake.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM MANY STATES

Important News Gathered from Abroad for the Benefit of Our Readers.

The Cancer of Divorce.

Cardinal Gibbons in an interview declares that polygamy exists in every state and that the public school system is imperfect. Of divorce he says: "We are confronted in this country by polygamy, I mean the polygamy that exists in every state of this union, and there is no law against this kind of polygamy, but rather laws that recognize it and make it possible. There is a law against the polygamy that exists in Utah. Is not the law of divorce a virtual form of mormonism in a modified shape? Mormonism consists of simultaneous polygamy, and the law of divorce practically leads to successive polygamy. Each state has on its statute books a list of causes for divorce, which are not recognized as sufficient grounds for divorce in a civil marriage. There are in all twenty-one causes, most of them of a very trifling character, and in some states, as in Illinois and Indiana, the power of granting a divorce is left to the discretion of the judge. Evidences are accumulating each year that the canker of divorce is rapidly spreading over the country and poisoning the foundations of the nation. Unless the evil is checked by some steady and heroic remedy the days are numbered for our family life is imperiled. How can we call ourselves a Christian nation if we violate a fundamental law of Christianity? And is the society and home life of a nation, whose laws violate a cardinal principal of the Christian religion, we are at a loss to know what does."

How the Nan Wormers Died.

Without one unforseen incident to mar the execution of the death penalty imposed by the law, Harry Thaw, sitting in judgment by the court of appeals, and not interfered with by Gov. Odell, Wilbs, Frederick M. and Burton Van Wormer were put to death in 15 1-4 minutes at Clinton prison, Dannemora, N. Y., Thursday for the murder of their uncle, Peter A. Hallenbeck, at Greendale, Columbia county, on Christmas eve, 1902.

The men walked from the doors of their cells in the care of their priest and flanked on either side by prison deputies, with calm demeanor, but extreme pallor. Within Van Wormer entered the death chamber at 11:34:30, the current was turned into his body one minute later and at 11:37 he was declared dead.

At 11:41:30 Frederick entered the death chamber. At 11:42 the current was turned on and he was declared dead at 11:43:30.

Burton entered the death chamber at 11:47, the current was turned on at 11:47:30, and he was declared dead at 11:48:30.

The entire proceedings from the start of the first man from his cell to the doctor's declaration of the death of the last one, consumed but 15 1-2 minutes.

The Soo Is Quiet.

The rioting is all over and the Canadian Soo is settling into quietude with only disturbances of a minor character, a "deserted village" with the scattering of the 3,000 employes of the Consolidated Lake Superior Co., who are rapidly securing jobs in the woods and elsewhere and awaiting the early withdrawal of the militia.

Street car employes on lines in the American and Canadian Soo will be paid 3 cents an hour and an official of the Lake Superior Co., which controls the traction system. The receipts of the lines, the cars of which have been running steadily with the exception of two hours the first Monday, plus the loss stopped because of the rioting, are said to be sufficient to have made this possible.

Capt. Hughes, the commander of the Canadian soldiers, says that about 250 of the men will leave for Toronto. This will leave nearly 250 men, including the local militia, still on guard. Col. Buchanan considers that the place would be able to quell any disturbance.

Town Utterly Destroyed.

The little town of Ste. Claire in Winona county, Minn., was almost completely wiped out by a tornado Saturday afternoon. Seven persons were killed and 25 were injured, many of them seriously. The entire main street of the town was literally wiped out, hardly a business place being left standing. Forty-two residences also were destroyed and the total property damage is estimated at $100,000. Among the buildings demolished were the Central school building, the Chicago Great Western depot, the Catholic church and Parrott's wagon works.

The Postoffice Grafters.

The federal grand jury, which for months has been working on the postoffice department "graft" cases, completed its work by returning 15 more indictments, making a total of 44 in all. A very pathetic touch is added to the latest list, which includes James N. Tyner, former assistant attorney-general for the postoffice department. Judge Tyner will never be tried, because he is said to be dying, slowly but surely. His case is especially sensational, because Tyner was himself postmaster-general during the last year of Gen. Grant's administration.

A strange fish, 2 1-2 feet long, bluish-black in color, and almost skinned with six horn-like protuberances about the head, was hauled in in a net off Manitou Island.

Prof. Nippold, of Jena University, at the general conference of the Evangelical Missionary society of Germany at Goerlitz, Saxony, charged that Bishop Auger, the German bishop of South Shan-Tung, China, was largely responsible for the outbreaks in China because of his arrogance and unbiblical conduct. The professor even accused the bishop of intemperance.

Peter Oskoski, of Glenlyon, Pa., who disappeared a week ago after being threatened for insulting a friend's wife, was found in a newly made grave in the woods two miles from town. He was so weak he could not talk, but by evening he was out of danger and said he had tried to starve himself to death and had lain in the grave several days.

Three Hungarian laborers took refuge in a so-called haunted house at Mahoning, Pa., to escape a rainstorm, and next morning they were found stretched out on the floor. The house was found to be alive with moccasin snakes. It is to be burned down.

The Money of the Country.

United States Treasurer Roberts places the monetary stock of the country on June 30, 1903, including gold and silver, United States notes, treasury notes and national bank notes, but not certificates, at $2,638,140,021, an increase of $124,952,983 for the year. The increase in gold was $80,137,401, and in national bank notes $33,998,759. The total estimated stock of gold was $1,252,731,190, constituting nearly 47 per cent of the whole. The gold in the treasury amounted to $631,020,783, an increase of $74,220,180 in twelve months. During the year $124,715,723 in gold was deposited at the mints and assay offices. Of the deposits from customs at the port of New York, constituting 67 per cent of the whole, 88 per cent were in gold. The proportion of gold at other ports is about 50 per cent. The imports of gold were $14,982,027 and the exports $47,630,535.

The increase of the money in circulation during the year was $121,710,252, of which $30,776,462 was in gold and gold certificates and $54,520,193 in national bank notes. The share of money in circulation increased 80 cents, and the share of gold in the total rose 92 cents, the highest ratio ever recorded.

Extra Session in November.

It is certain that an extra session of the fifty-eighth congress will be called for November 9. Ten days' notice only is necessary for an extraordinary session, but it is probable that the president will send on his call a little earlier. However, the fact that congress is to be summoned for November 9 is so generally understood by the country that there is no doubt that senators and representatives are already preparing to come to Washington by that date. The president will not prepare a legislative message for this session, reserving what he has to say on general matters for the regular December session. His note to congress in November will be devoted almost exclusively, if not wholly so, to Cuban reciprocity.

Wrecked the Industry.

Sterling F. Hayward, of New York, has been appointed receiver of the Morse Iron Works & Drydock Co., which has operated a $2,000,000 plant in South Brooklyn, said to be one of the largest on the Atlantic coast. The demands of labor unions are attributed by those concerned as the cause of the company's embarrassment. Edmund Mooney, counsel for the company, said: "If the men would give a full day's work employers might be more willing to meet their demands, but the fact is the employer today receives only about one-third of a day's work and it is impossible to figure on a large contract without running the risk of a heavy loss. Trade unionism is responsible for the whole trouble."

An Empire Wanted.

The secret of M. Leibandy's attempt to found an empire in Africa is out. The young Russian nihilist, who is now in London on business, was the first to obtain the consent of the European powers who claim to have jurisdiction over the territory on which he has designs, to establish along the northwest coast of Africa an empire larger than Rhodesia to be entitled the United States of Liberia. It is alleged he intends to found a state peopled by negroes from America, who would receive grants of land and be encouraged to found a country of their own. If M. Leibandy obtains all the territory he has asked for he will become rich in minerals, india rubber and coffee.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Yellow fever now has 175 cases in Laredo, Tex.

Only six persons have been naturalized in Calhoun county since January 1 last.

"Nellie" Arthur, only daughter of the late President Arthur, is engaged to Charles Pinkerton, of New York.

Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador to the United States, died Wednesday at Davos-Platz, Switzerland.

Senator Burrows ventures the assertion that President Roosevelt's stand in the Miller case has added to his popularity in Michigan.

Buyers for commission merchants are offering 16 and 17 cents a basket for all the grapes obtainable in St. Joseph, and the price may go still higher.

Missionary McLaughlin, of the Methodist church, in Manitoba, is supposed to have perished with six Indian children by the swamping of their sailboat in a storm on Lake Winnipeg.

Mormon representatives holding the seventy-first semi-annual conference at Salt Lake City than any similar gathering in the history of the church. Over 15,000 attended the opening exercises.

The Second United States cavalry, scattered around at Fort Myer, Va., Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., and Fort Sheridan, Ill., has been ordered to the Philippines to relieve the Eleventh cavalry.

Although thousands of dollars worth of antiques have rolled throughout the thumb, it is believed that if the fine weather of the past week continues two or three weeks more the bulk of the crop will be saved. Beans, too, are in the main in good shape, except on very low lands.

Serious riots have occurred at Budapest, Hungary. Striking van drivers came in conflict with the police and sixty persons were injured, ten of them seriously. The police ultimately dired on the rioters and several of the latter were wounded. Troops were summoned to restore order.

Mrs. Moore Nagle, of Winsted Conn., whose first husband, the late Franklin Moore, was founder of the large bolt works, has returned, after fleeing as a seamstress in the Gilbert home for dependent children for her board and lodging. It is said her thousands were lost in speculation by persons she trusted. She was forced to sell her first husband's jewelry to get bread.

Foul play is suspected in the case of Aaron Spencer, aged 50, who disappeared from Bloomerton, N. Y. His hat was picked up by F. W. Hinks, of Cincinnati, as he was fishing in Chautauqua lake.

Michigan Troops Lacked Ammunition.

Michigan's first experience with active warfare in the army maneuvers, from many standpoints was not the success it should have been, although the men did the best they possibly could do under the conditions. Without ammunition and with only a vague idea of what was expected of them, the members of the First Regiment, headed by Col. C. W. Hatch, were pitted against two troops of cavalry, namely, the I. and C. of the Seventh United States Cavalry, under command of Capt. M. C. Lockett. This was only one of the six detached maneuvers planned for the troops for the day, the problem given the Michigan regiment to solve being to march to Mulldraughs, about six miles, through steep and stony hills, the country supposed to be hostile. All precautions were to be taken to discover and prevent the enemy from attacking the troops. The Michigan regiment left camp shortly after 10 o'clock and their appearance was inspiring. For some reason or other the Michigan regiment left camp without ammunition, an oversight which greatly spoiled the maneuvers. Who is responsible for the failure to provide the troops with cartridges has not yet been determined, but it was a glaring error. The Michigan boys were simply at the mercy of the cavalry and could do nothing made no effort to protect themselves, for it was useless. Other state troops received their ammunition all right and there seems to be no reason why the Michigan men should not have been properly equipped. It was an omission which caused considerable adverse criticism both by the officers and men.

CONDENSED NEWS.

A decree of Emperor William is in preparation, forbidding the ill-treatment of recruits

The centennial celebration in Chicago closed Thursday night with a bonfire to the visiting mayors.

It is announced that Wm. J. Bryan will be in Ohio in October to lend assistance to the Democratic cause.

Gov. Hunt arrived in San Juan, P. R., from the United States Thursday, and was warmly welcomed by a demonstration of civilians and officials. The attempt of the Socialists to create a disorder failed.

August F. Gonzales, aged 17, kidnaped 10 years ago by his father and who had since wandered all over the world, has been restored to his mother at Los Angeles, Cal., from recently located by the police of Chicago.

Five hundred white children and 150 colored children at the Lock street public school, Cincinnati, engaged in a serious race riot. Some of the colored children were badly beaten. They fled to their homes in terror.

Harry J. Devereaux, Democratic mayor of Springfield, Ill., has been indicted by the grand jury charged with violating his duties as mayor in allowing gambling houses, slot machines and pool rooms to be operated.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT

Week Ending October 13

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE—"A Chinese Honeymoon." Sat. Mat., 25c. Evgs., 25c to $1.

LYCEUM THEATER—"The Bird in Brier Bush" Sat. Matinee 25c. Evenings, 25c, 50c, 75c.

WHITNEY THEATER—"A Desperate Chance"—Matinee Sat. 15c. Evenings 10c, 20c, 30c.

TEMPLE THEATER—Vaudeville—Afternoon 10c and 20c. Evenings 10c, 20c and 30c.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit.—Cattle.—Milch cows and springers active at $25@$40 for choice; fair to good, $4 25@4 50; good to choice butcher steers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $4@4 15; light to good butcher steers and heifers, 700 to 900 lbs, $2 50@3 75; mixed butchers' stock, $2 50@3; canners, $1 50@2; common bulls, $2 50@3; good shippers' bulls, $3@3 50; common feeders, $2 50@2 75; good selected feeders, $3@3 60; light stockers, $2 75@3 25. Veal calves—Market active and strong at $4 50@7 50.

Hogs—Light to good butchers, $6 10@6 15; pigs, $5 75@6; light yorkers, $5@5 85; roughs, $4 50@5 50; stags, one-third off.

Sheep—Best lambs, $5@5 25; fair to good lambs, $4 75@5; light to common lambs, $4@4 50; best yearlings, $3 50@4; fair to good butcher sheep, $3@3 50; culls and common, $1 50@2 50.

Chicago.—Cattle.—Good to prime steers, $5 25@5 60; fair to medium, $3 50@4 80; stockers and feeders, $2 25@4 15; cows and heifers, $1 40@4 75; canners, $1 40@2 50; bulls, $2@4 50; calves, $3 50@7 50; Texas steers, $2 75@4 75; western steers, $3@4 50.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5 60@6 25; good to choice heavy, $5 75@6 15; rough heavy, $5 35@5 60; light, $5 70@6 45; bulk of sales, $5 60@6 10.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $3 25@4 15; fair to choice mixed, $2 25@3 25; native lambs, $3 50@5 40.

East Buffalo.—Cattle—The offerings have been mostly of common quality, and there was no demand for this class.

Hogs—Mixed, packers, $6 50@6 55; stags, $4 25@4 75; roughs, $5 60@5 90.

Sheep—Best lambs, $5 80@5 90; fair to good, $5 50@5 75; culls, common, $4 25@5 25; best sheep, $4@4 25; fair to good, $3 50@3 75; culls, bucks, $2 @3; wethers and yearlings, $4 25@4 50; ewes, $3 60@3 75.

Grain.

Detroit.—Wheat—No. 1 white, $3½c; No. 2 red, 1 car at $2⅞c, 5 cars at $3c, 2 cars at $3½c, 2 cars at nominal, 2 cars at 93½c; December, 10,000 bu at $3⅛c, 10,000 bu at $3⅛c, 15,000 bu at $3⅛c, 10,000 bu at $3⅛c, closing sic bid; May, 5,000 bu at $1⅛c, 15,000 bu at $1⅛c, 10,000 bu at $1⅛c, 5,000 bu at $5¼c. No. 2 corn—No. 3 mixed, 2 cars at 68c. No. 3 yellow, 81½c per bu; nominal.

Oats—No. 3 white spot, 4 cars at 48c. No. 3 white, 27½c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 spot, 2 cars at 56½c per bu.

Beans—Spot, $2 15; October, $2 10, nominal; November, 2 cars at $1 99, 1 car at $1 92½; $1 90 per bu.

Chicago.—Wheat—No. 3, 73@80c; No. 2 red, 76⅞@78⅞c.

Corn—No. 2, 45⅛c; No. 2 yellow, 47@47½c.

Oats—No. 2, 35⅝c; No. 3 white, 36@38c.

Rye—No. 2, 53c.

Barley—Fair to choice malting, 48@57c.

Miss Julia Grant, daughter of U. S. Grant, and Miss Isabel Ingle have narrowly escaped serious and possibly fatal injuries in a runaway accident at San Diego, Cal. Miss Grant's spirited horse overturned her light buggy, throwing both young ladies to the ground. They were bruised about their heads and sides and were removed to their homes in a carriage.

Two strangers were surprised in the New York navy yard in the act of taking notes of the battleship Connecticut now being constructed. One was observing the work through a glass and dictating notes to his companion. The office of the Victor Daily Record, of Victor, Col., the official organ of the Miners' union, was raided by officers of the postoffice inspector's office. The editorial force was arrested and the paper closed on account of publishing and sending alleged seditious articles through the mails.

A telephone pole, sledge hammers and crowbars their weapons, a mob wrecked the brick jail in Marshall, Tex., seized Walter Davis, a negro, and hanged him to a tree. He was suspected of the murder of Constable Hughes, who was shot from ambush the same morning while bringing a negro to jail.