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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, DEC. 18.

A good many folks parents are thankful. The football season is over.

Lawyers connected with the Fair estate can see no signs of the decline of prosperity.

Mr. Robert Fitzsimmons seems to be one of those fortunate souls whom age cannot wither.

A Chicago man wants a divorce because his wife will not talk to him. One man's meat, etc.

Perhaps if we make this farewell trip of Patti's a success she will return for one or two more.

Kipling has sold his Vermont home at a sacrifice. His brawny brother-in-law refused to leave the neighborhood.

A Utah man thinks he has solved the airship problem. He will know better if he ever takes up after the bump.

There is in Boston so much intellectual illumination that only one and a half electric lights are sufficient for each person.

There is some talk of a Siberian revolution. It isn't likely to go any farther than the throwing of the first bomb, however.

Mr. Alfred Austin Light amuse himself by writing the battle hymn of Panama. It would be just about the size of his genius.

A very indignant man is the one who has been trying to pronounce "isthmus" all these year and has just found the "th" is silent.

John D. Rockefeller, Sr., seems to be trying his best to hold up his end as a continuous example for the young man's Sunday school class.

Mr. Gates' yacht was not lost in the Gulf of Mexico. Mr. Gates stands ready to bet a million that he can't lose anything or on anything.

Prof. Langley says that he got the idea of his flying maching from the pteroldactyl. If he paid anything for it the pterodactyl swindled him.

The Duke of Roxburghe utters the crushing threat that he will never return to America. Worse than that, none of the money is coming back, either.

It was a sad but glorious day for young Mr. Gardner, who will take no chances on the decrepitude of the patriarchal Mr. Fitzsimmons in the future.

Let us hope there is a mistake in the announcement that there is a radium in kerosene. Who among us can afford to pay $75,000 a pound for coal oil?

A man left all his money to the woman who had refused to marry him, but a nice question is whether the bequest was inspired by sentiment or gratitude.

It is along about now that the horny handed tillers of the soil sit down to ponder comfortably on the folly of living in town, where men must hustle all the year through.

Financial stringency has overtaken Mr. John L. Sullivan again. He has been obliged to sell his famous $40,000 diamond belt because he put too much liquid refreshment under it.

A New Jersey hunter killed a rabbit, ate it without removing all the shot from the carcass, and developed a fine case of appendicit's. Moral. Always filter your slain rabbit before eating.

The magazine publishers announce that there are more than 5,000 new writers of fiction in the field this year. In ascertaining the number of writers of new fiction drop the ciphers and divide by five.

King Peter of Servia is to be formally recognized by the United States. He is still hoping, however, that only a trusted few of his loving subjects will ever be able to recognize him when they see him.

The battleship Massachusetts, which did a little involuntary dredging off the Maine coast last summer, is now as good as ever, but the United States treasury is shy about $75,000, the cost of the repairs.

Somehow these reports as to the large sums cleared by college football associations tend to give another jolt to the theory that the wholesome spirit of college rivalry is at the bottom of the football craze.

Music is to be abolished from the Chicago restaurants. The proprietors say many of their customers objected to it. The ragtime was so much selective that some people probably forgot and took more than four minutes for lunch.

Ezra Miller of Fort Wayne, aged 12, ran off, and before he would return forced his mother to sign a "bill of rights." Somehow we are not surprised at this, but how it would have disgusted the old fashioned mother.—Atchison Globe.

And now they do say that Abdul-Hamid has cerebral anaemia, accompanied by delusions, so that he really is in fact what he has long been in popular talk, "The Sick Man of Europe." His malady, unlike the German emperor's, is unfortunately one that no operation—unless possibly partition—can cure.

Editor Watterson was robbed in New York. Anyhow, he cannot suspect the monkey who was the guest of honor at the banquet of Mrs. Fish. No—twas spoke well of the monkey.

Michigan Happenings

The State Grange Speaks.

At the concluding session of the State Grange, held in Lansing, by a unanimous vote and practically with out debate several reforms advocated by standing committees were adopted. The matter of primary elections was stated clearly and unequivocally and the vote on the resolution shows that the Grange demand it. Briefly stated, the desired reforms are:

Complete ratification of last year's demand for primary election reform.

The drafting of a primary bill by the State Grange.

The enactment of the Torrens system of land titles.

Prohibition of the sale of cigarettes.

Regulation of the speed of automobiles on country roads.

Election of grain commissioners at the polls.

Election of United States senators by direct vote.

A reformation of the present plans regarding grange deputies.

A bureau of information for members desiring to make sales or exchanges.

A suitable grange headquarters at the state fair.

Good roads by virtue of national, state and township expenditures.

More power to the arm of the state forestry commission.

Standing committees of women in each grange to co-operate with the state committee.

A grange cyclone insurance society.

Optional biennial elections in subordinate granges.

Public ownership of public utilities.

Election of state tax commissioners by popular vote.

Appointment of a government official to guard against cruelty in the Chicago stock yards.

A Terrible Voyage.

Like a phantom from the arctic seas the big freighter J. T. Hutchinson came down the Detroit river Monday afternoon and tied up at the dock at Sandwich. Great masses of ice a foot thick hung on her bows, and extended aft along her sides and over her decks, making a picture seldom seen except by those on arctic explorations. It has been a fierce battle that the Hutchinson has waged with the elements on her from storm from Lake Superior, but nothing daunted, Capt. J. S. Smith will try to take his ship on to Buffalo. The passage down was made doubly perilous by the fact that five of her forecastle compartments were filled with water. It seems little short of reckless, say vesselmen, that the voyage should be continued. The steamer was driving 20 feet and three inches when she arrived at Sandwich, and it was necessary to lighter more of her cargo so that she would be able to get over the Lime Kiln crossing.

A Desperate Prisoner.

William Wilson, alias Frank Harris, in jail charged with burglary in Holland, made a desperate attempt to escape from the Grand Haven jail Monday night. Deputy Sheriff Hans Dykhuis was locking up the prisoners and had just noticed that Wilson was missing when the latter appeared from behind a partition with a revolver and ordered him to be quiet, dodged, and Wilson then shot Sheriff Dykhuis in the jaw and fled through the office door and across the court house square. Deputy Dykhuis got his revolver, pursued the fugitive and brought him to a stand, though Wilson fired at him three times. The prisoner's revolver is believed to have been smuggled to him by a tramp, who is under arrest. Wilson was a partner of Quinn, the young burglar who escaped from Dykhuis on the way from Kalamazoo.

Suicide in Detroit.

Forty-one Detroiters took their own lives during the year now drawing to a close. Hot weather seems to have been most prolific of suicides, as only six out of the 41 killed themselves during the winter months. Thirty out of the 41 were married or had been. Hanging was the favorite method of translation, 19 having adopted that course. Shuffling off the mortal coil; eight chose carbolic acid, three laudanum, two arsenic and two morphine, while shooting, drowning, stabbing and cutting throats had five, two and three exponents respectively. The remaining five took their lives by poisons other than those specified. Seventeen of those who took their lives were between the ages of 30 and 50. The youngest was Belle Newton, a bride of 17, and the oldest Wm. Hillme, 83.

Driven to Suicide.

Harry Holmes, aged 25, a painter, was found dead Sunday in his room in the Garland hotel, Otter Lake. He had taken an overdose of morphine, and this was attributed to despondency, ignorance, owing to the fact that he had been ill the day before, until it was learned that a note he had given Hamilton Norton, Five Points, was about to fall due; then the conclusion was drawn that he had killed himself because he was without the means of meeting the obligation. Holmes was married about a year ago, but his wife left him a year and a half ago and went to Detroit, saying that she would sue him for a divorce on the ground of non-support.

She's a Heavyweight.

Lydia Wiedelman, of Calumet, is only 15 years old, but she tips the scales at 365 pounds. Ever since her birth her growth in weight has been remarkable, but she has gained most in the last two or three years. She is apparently in good health, and does not seem to mind her superabundance of flesh, being of a happy disposition, and is perhaps bothered only by the attention she attracts. Neither of her parents is of large size, and physicians cannot account for her case, offers to exhibit her in museums have been refused by her parents.

Sagatuck will bond for water works.

Several Porter farmers are feeding western sheep.

Wm. Pitts, of Grand Rapids, has been arrested for deserting his small son.

Benton Harbor expects to lose the Linden Cereal Co. and Farwell Overall factory.

Mrs. Luck Nelson, of Lansing, has presented a claim to the council for $10,000 for negligence on the part of the city in the death of her husband while spicing wires for the city.

Student Suicides.

Russell McWilliams, a member of the junior class, U. of M., committed suicide Wednesday morning by shooting himself through the heart with a 32-caliber revolver. Temporary insanity is said to have been the cause. McWilliams was 19 years old and a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. White Sutton, his roommate heard the shot, and found McWilliams dying in bed. The suicide was a complete surprise and recalls the epidemic of student suicides that occurred at this time last year. McWilliams' father, mother, brother and sister live in Kansas City, and as far as can be learned it was not bad news from home that caused the suicide.

Mrs. McKnight in Jackson.

On Friday Mrs. McKnight, who was convicted of murder in Cadillac and received a life sentence, was taken to the Jackson penitentiary. It was evident from her appearance that she had not rivaled many days as she looked haggard and sad. There was a large crowd at the depot, including her sister, Mrs. Chalker, who has been her constant companion through her trouble. The general impression is that Mrs. McKnight will not live long, as she pines and starves herself. She is the first person to be sentenced for life from Wexford county, and her's was the first murder trial ever held in Cadillac.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Ithaca's tub factory will employ 200 men.

Otsego's county clerk issued 350 deer licenses.

Lansing's 97 factories employ 5,000 persons.

Mason county is spending $14,000 on roads.

The Wood camp school is closed by unruly boys.

Pontiac wants the state fair there permanently.

East Nelson people are wrestling with tonsilitis.

A Quincy man caught 500 muskrats in three months.

Menominee fishermen are getting ready for winter.

One hundred persons visit the U. of M. museum daily.

Metamora schools are closed on account of diphtheria.

Manistee children are having a scare of scarlet fever.

Deer hunting fatalities in Michigan 14 killed, 22 wounded.

Over 6,000,000 former Michiganders now live in other states.

Michigan has trained 33,000 young people in its university.

Lyman Mann, a St. Joe bigamist, got one year in Ionia.

A hard fight for local option is started in Grand Haven.

Stanton local options has abolishing "clubs" which keep liquor.

Ionia county free mail service will go into effect June 1, 1901.

At Bronson man fell off a load of cornstalks and broke his arm.

Ypsilanti is to be a commercial electric lighting plant next spring.

Frank Fisher, Owosso, had an ear partly bitten off in saloon fight.

No trace of Geo. Hurbey, the missing Soo man, has been found yet.

A woman has been found in Cold water subsisting on parched corn.

A Menominee farmer grew 22 tons of potatoes on 2½ acres of ground.

An Osseo farmer raised 3,000 pounds of tobacco from 2½ acres. Netted $450.

Battle Creek offers a franchise to any company that will furnish 8 cent gas.

Marinette and Menominee Dowieites have $10,000 ready to send to Zion City.

Alpena county's criminal docket is cleared. Seven defendants pleaded guilty.

Marquette has the tallest U. S. mail carrier—Ed. Heinecr, 6 feet 5 1-2 inches.

Fire destroyed the three-story brick Masonic temple in Blissfield Saturday evening.

A Kalamazoo woman named her corset "The Club" and now he stays home nights.

Nels O. Patterson, of Lakewood township, aged 18, was instantly killed by a falling tree while he was felling wood.

At Lexington there is a man so mean that he steals the chimneys off the street lamps.

The police board has rejected all the bids for the new block of cells and will readvertise.

Lorenzo Cornelius, aged 80, of Allegan, died in the poorhouse. She never wore shoes.

John Woolery, an inmate of the state school for the deaf, at Flint, has been arrested for theft.

A Grand Haven man died of disease supposed to have been caused by a dog bite three years ago.

Roy Quinn, of Battle Creek, died Saturday as the result of injuries received while coasting.

Capt. Cleary, of the Marquette life-saving station, reports the quietest season in many years.

Wheatland has furnished only one criminal case in the Hillsdale county circuit court docket.

A member of the Au Train school board has been arrested, charged with defacing the school building.

The St. Johns common council does not believe in signs and has ordered that all be removed from the village's principal business street.

August Moore, colored, of Lansing, aged 18, was sentenced to a maximum of fifteen years and a minimum of five years in Ionia for burglary. He has been arrested twenty-two times in nine years.

County Agent Wellings is making a thorough investigation of the case of August Tanto, who recently pleaded guilty in the circuit court, Lansing, to a charge of criminal assault, in order that Judge Wiest may know all the circumstances surrounding the matter. Tanto has been in the county jail six months, and it is said there is a possibility of his being released on probation.

The long-disputed question of the Lansing, St. Johns & St. Louis railway's franchise in St. Johns has apparently been settled at last by the passage of a new franchise embodying the changes recently agreed upon.

Linden Presbyterians have secured Rev. Albert Ross, of Huron county, as their new pastor.

At a depth of 620 feet, the Umbolts Oil Co. struck oil on the Umboltz farm, seven miles northeast of Niles, and great excitement prevails.

The corn husker claimed another victim at Davison, Frank O'Leary being caught in the machinery and losing a finger of his right hand.

Out of 459 suicides in Chicago for the present year, 224 were married, 30 widowers, 11 widows and 10 divorcees. Poison was taken by 225 persons.

John McCoy, of Alvordton, O., complained that he was fleeced out of $800 in a gambling room over a Morenci saloon. He accuses a traveling man.

Bessie, the 22-year-old daughter of John Snyder, a wealthy farmer who lives A mile west of Homer, killed herself with strychnine. The reason is not known.

Because he didn't believe in banks Henry Rosser, a farmer near Greenville, kept his savings, $350, in his woodshed. The shed burned and the money with it.

The Lapeer lighting plant has changed hands. John Leslie, of Hopkinsville, Ky., the purchaser, will enlarge the plant, erect additional buildings and put in new engines.

Ex-Senator A. O. Blackwell, an ex-member of the legislature who has seen much service in the penitentiary and by reason of time and influence and by pull is bound to say it appears they are working politics. Helpless inactivity is in street and home; there is energy only in the tireless work of nurses and physicians amid the rattle of the undertaker's wagon."

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ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM MANY STATES

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

Shocking Conditions Prevail.

With more than 1,500 persons suffering from typhoid fever and with diphtheria threatening to become epidemic, politics is hampering the work of relief throughout the city of Beaver, Pa., Mayor Kennedy asserts that at least $30,000 has been lost to the relief fund by political jealousies, and he describes the present situation as "the darkest hour of Butler." "I am unable to explain the attitude of many of the best citizens. You would imagine that this was a political campaign. Instead of a battle against the worst typhoid fever epidemic known in modern times in America. Our families are being decimated; business is paralyzed; the state physicians say the death rate is certain to increase for three or four weeks; hundreds of patients have not had med cal care, and yet here are men who apparently are pr mpted by the worst sort of motives and are bent and bound to say it appears they are working politics. Helpless inactivity is in street and home; there is energy only in the tireless work of nurses and physicians amid the rattle of the undertaker's wagon."

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NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

Representative Young wants a $200,000 appropriation for public buildings at Ishpeming and Negaunee, $100,000 for each place, and he has introduced the bills.

The house Tuesday adopted a concurrent resolution providing for a recess adjournment from December 17 to January 4. The speaker, by unanimous consent, allowed Delegate Kalanaole, of Hawaii, as a member of the committee on territories.

The session of congress immediately preceding presidential election is a bad time for any kind of government employes to look for a raise of salary. Prospects, however, are that an exception will be made this year and that the rural route mail carriers will be the beneficiaries.

Rep. Hitt, of Illinois, defended President Roosevelt's recognition of the Panama republic. The president, he said, had not been precipitate, but had waited a reasonable time. "But," he added, "he did not waste time—he never does. The whole world," he said, "had been in favor of a canal and," added Mr. Hitt, "he has got a man to work on it who will soon cut it through."

Capt. Lansing H. Beach has reported against an appropriation for a harbor of refuge at Pointe Aux Barques which was referred by the House to Pointe Aux Barques Summer Resort association. Capt. Beach says there is no demand on the part of navigation interests for a harbor of refuge there, because the shore is dangerous and rocky, and because the harbor of Sand Beach is only 25 miles away.

During the recent extraordinary session of congress the Michigan members of the house altogether introduced 140 bills and resolutions. Hamilton introduced 131 and 139 were for pensions. Sam Smith was a good second with 130. Congressman Gardner introduced 31, Townsend 18, Darragh and Lucking each 13, McMorran 8, Loud 6, Bishop 4, Fordney 2. William Alden Smith and Young did not introduce any. Senator Burrows introduced 14. Senator Burrows 12.

The pension bureau has prepared for congress a statement showing that the following amounts have been paid to soldiers, sailors, minor children and dependent relatives on account of military and naval service during the wars in which the United States has been engaged: Revolutionary war (still off rolls), $70,000; war of 1812 (on account of service, without regard to disability), $45,186,197.22; Indian wars, $4,276,814.55; war with Mexico (on account of service, without regard to disability), $33,483,350.99; war of the rebellion, $2,878,240,400.17; war with Spain, $5,475,288.31. The actual total disbursements in pensions has been $3,628,623,260.16.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Mrs. Harry E. Oldt, who was returning to San Francisco after visiting her husband in Alaska, jumped overboard with her child in her arms.

The rush of foreigners to their native lands continues unabated. Every outgoing steamer at New York, particularly to Italy, is crowded with steerage passengers.

The typhoid fever epidemic at Butler, Pa., is believed to be abating, there having been only one death and four new cases in 24 hours. The Elks of Cleveland have contributed $2,000.

"Blind Tom" has attempted to blow up the Methodist church in Henryville, Ind., because the preacher had started a war against illegal liquor selling.

"Jim" Elbertus Hubbard, whose wife recently obtained a divorce on statutory grounds, will on January 1 marry the corespondent in the case, Miss Alice Moore.

Wm. Wilhelm Oder, of Baltimore, received a $10,000 fee for going to Milwaukee to consult with Capt. Fred Pabst's physicians. The captain is suffering from a complication of ailments.

Seven Japanese jumped overboard at night from an Oriental liner at Astoria, Ore. They were being deported and risked a swim of 100 yards in the icy cold water. It is not known whether they reached land or not.

Bryan's son-in-law, Wm. O. Leavitt, the artist, may face a breach of promise suit. For some time before his marriage to Ruth Bryan he is said to have showered attentions upon Miss Minnie Cook, of Newport, R. I.

The dead bodies of Pearl Stapleton and her 4-year-old adopted daughter, both colored, were found at their home in Cincinnati with their throats cut from ear to ear. John Shawl, with whom the woman had been living, is under arrest.

United States Marshal Simmons, of the southern district of Alabama, has tendered his resignation to President Roosevelt, whom, he charges, has drawn "the color line and drawn it in favor of the negro. The door of hope is closed to the white man, especially any self-respecting white man."

John D. Rockefeller startled his retainers by appearing on his private golfing grounds at Lakewood in a suit vest of vivid green, gray trousers, yellow shoes and a tourist's cap. His conduct was as youthful as his togs.

A new mineral that showers sparks when scratched and yet contains no phosphorus and emits no heat, has been discovered in a mine in Mariposa county, Cal. It runs about $18 to the ton in gold, silver and copper, besides traces of other minerals, and is about as soft as the graphite in a lead pencil. Specimens have been sent to the geological survey at Washington.

Within the past few days Speaker Cannon has called to his room the chairman of every house committee having to Co with appropriations and has urged upon them to have their bills ready at the earliest possible moment. It is his intention to have appropriation measures passed earlier than in the session ever before, and if there is delay, he says, it will be the senate's fault.

Sam Parker, former union associates are suspected of causing mysterious explosions, apparently of dynamite bombs, in two big new buildings under course of construction in New York.

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Grover Cleveland is hunting deer and ducks and fishing at South Island, off Georgetown, S. C.

Six cyclists start for the national Prohibition convention. The national committee meets in Chicago.

An illicit distillery was raided on Senator Tillman's plantation, "Piney Woods," near Columbia, S. C.

Hearse drivers will go on strike with the other livery drivers in Chicago. They demand shorter hours and better pay.

The assets of the Consolidated Lake Superior Co. held by Speyer & Co. for a loan of $5,000,000 were bought in at public auction by Speyer & Co. Tuesday for $4,500,000. There was the only bid. The sale was held in spite of several protests.

Levi Perham, aged 19, related in the county court in Bennington, Vt., how, for love of Mrs. Mary H. Rogers, he aided in the abduction of her husband, to the end that with the $500 insurance obtained on his life, she might furnish a home for the man she loved.

"Dowie is a fraud and a pretender. I am the true incarnation of Elijah the Prophet." Such is the claim of Miss Adelaide Stutton, a woman of mystery, now holding revival services in a tent at Tar Ridge, Ky. "The end of the world is near at hand," declares Miss Stutton. "I have been sent to earth to prepare the people for the coming of Judgment Day. I have been born again, and there will I go when my mission is fulfilled. Prepare for the end, for it is near at hand."

Charles Cunningham, sheriff of Cherokee county, Kas., was held up and robbed by an escaped prisoner and his pal at Baxter Springs, Kas. The sheriff noticed Clarence Cunningham, who had escaped from the Columbus, Kas., jail going into the railway station, and followed him with a drawn revolver in his hand. Cunningham stood quiet, but a pal got a revolver to the sheriff's head and Cunningham then robbed him of everything he had. They also held up the station agent and a livery man, from whom they took a buggy and a pair of fine horses and made their escape.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.
Week Ending December 19.
DETROIT—Saturday Matinee at 2. Evenings at 8—"The Light That Failed."
LYCEUM—Matinee 10, 15 and 25c. Evenings 10, 15, 25 and 50c—"Lost in Siberia."
WHITNEY—Matinee 10, 15, and 25c. Evenings 10, 15 and 25c—"The Belle of Bohemia."
TEMPLE THEATRE AND WONDERLAND—Afternoons 10c, 20c and 30c. Evenings 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c.
AVENUE THEATER—Vaudeville—afternoons 10c and 25c. Evenings 10c, 15c, 25c and 50c.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Cattle—Choice steers, $4.25@4.75; good to choice butchers steers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs., $3.85@4.05; light to good butchers steers and heifers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., $3.25@3.75; mixed butchers' fat cattle, $2.50@3.25; best fat cows, $3.00@3.25; good cows, $2.50@2.75; common cows and bulls, $2@2.50; good stockers and feeders, $3.25@3.75; common feeders, $2.50@3; good well bred steers and heifers, $3.25@3.35; native lambs, $4@5.75; feed western yearlings, $4.75.

East Buffalo—Best export steers, $4.65@5; 25, best, 1,200 to 1,300 pound steers, $4.50@4.60; 25 to 30 head, 1,000 to 1,100 pounds butcher steers, $4.40@4.50; 25 to 30 head, 900 to 1,000 pounds, $3.90@4.30; best fat cows, $3.00@3.40; fair to good, $2.25@2.50; common cows, $2.00@2.25; 15 to 20 head, 1,000 pound best fat heifers, $3.50@4.00; medium heifers, 900 pounds, $3.00@3.60; light fat heifers, 700 to 800 pounds, $2.50@3; best common and stock heifers, $2.25@2.50; best feeding steers, 900 to 1,000 pounds, $3.25@3.50; 800 to 900 pounds, do, $3.25@3.50; best stockers, $3.00@3.25; best common stockers, $2.50@2.75; export bulls, $3.50@3.75; good export bulls, $3.25@3.40; medium weight bulls, $2.75@3.00; little fancy bulls, $2.25; good fresh cows, $35@40; butchers cows, $2.50@3.00; canners, $1.50@2.25; veals, top veals, $7.25@7.50; fair to good, $6.50@6.75; heavy, $4.00@5.25.

HOGS—Yorkers, $4.15@4.20; medium heavy, $4.10@4.15; pigs, $4.10; rough and oily unsold.

SHEEP—Best lambs, $6.20@6.25; fair, $5.75@6; culls, $4.50@5.25; best sheep, $4.15@4.25; culls, common, $4.50@5.50; mixed sheep, $4.75@5; culls, $3.50@4.25; best yearlings, $5.00@5.50; wethers, yearlings, $4.90@4.75; ewes, $3.50@3.75; closed steady; 15 to 25c lower.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit (actual sales)—Wheat—No. 1 white, 85½c; No. 2 red, 1 car at 88½c, closing at 88½c bid; No. 2 red, December, at 90c, 2,000 bu at 85½c, 2,000 bu at 89½c, closing 89½c bid; May, 5,000 bu at 85½c, 10,000 bu at 86½c, 5,000 bu at 86¾c; by sample, 1 car at 85¾ bu.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, old, 46c; new, 1 car at 42c; No. 3 yellow, old, 45c; new, 2 cars track, at 42½c; car corn, 2 cars at 43c bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, 4 cars at 27½c, 1 car at 27¾c; No. 4 white, 26½c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 cash, 1 car at 58c bu.

Beans—Spot and December, 1 75 bid; January, $1.80 bid; March, 5 bags at $1.90; by sample, 12 bags at $1.90, 30 at $1.76 to $1.85, 200 at $1.75, 5 at $1.80 and 10 at $1 per bu. Prime alsike, $6.50 per bu.

Chicago.—Wheat—No. 2 spring, 81c; No. 3, 78c; No. 2 red, 81¼@84½c.

Corn—No. 2, 39½c; No. 3 yellow, 44c.

Oats—No. 2, 34½c; No. 3 white, 36@37c.

Rye—No. 2, 59½@61c.

Barley—Good feeding, 36@37c; fair to choice malting, 42@47c.

Mistaken for a Strike Breaker, John Osuchowski, a Chicago trunkmaker, was shot and killed, the police allege, by union pickets.

Arza Haywood, of Muskegon, has returned to Chicago to face the charge of abandonment of his child, instead of resisting extradition.

Secretary of War Root has taken a hand in the Wood investigation and wants an itemized account of receipts and expenditures of the military government of Cuba, which were submitted to congress, together with certain insinuations against Gen. Wood can be refuted.

Attarian, the Armenian whose arrest precipitated the attack by Turkish police upon United States Consul Davis, at Alexandria, Syria, has been a resident during the past four years, of Paterson, N. J., where he has been employed as a weaver. Upon coming to America he left his wife and son behind and frequently tried to secure permission for them to join him. Finally he decided to risk a journey home and bring them himself, although told several friends he feared for his life.

Not one hanging and 125 murders in Chicago's record for 1900.