

THE MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE
What is Doing in All Sections of the State

Brief Chronicle of Matters of Importance

NEWS OF THE WORLD
The Detroit Railway Horror

It is only just to say that Lily Lampy doesn't look like a grandmother.

A Pittsburg man died the other day while reading a newspaper. The ruling passion.

It comes pretty near being certain that a goat deliberately eats up a buck beer poster.

It is just as easy to lose money in the new New York stock exchange as it was in the old one.

Judging from effects in Missouri, a balking powder mine is about as dangerous as the other sort.

Montreal's grave diggers have been on a strike. They claim they had good grounds for quitting.

"Speaking of unhappy lots," remarks the Baltimore American, "what about the graveyard?" Usually the fence.

There is more to be learned from one living woman than from a whole Smithsonian museum of anthropology.

Russia presents its respects to the nations and would be delighted to learn what they are going to do about it.

All Ohioans do not succeed in securing federal offices. An Ohio man has been imprisoned for failure to support his family.

The \$2 fine inflicted upon Baron de Rothschild for speeding his automobile in Paris will doubtless be a good lesson to him.

By keeping her hand on her own mouth the countess of Yarmouth will have a powerful lever to make her husband go good.

If wild animals could read, they would have the fun of their lives by reading what the wise writers have to say of their habits.

To put out a fire in a Nova Scotia coal mine the ocean was turned on. Neptune No. 1 can do the business with neatness and dispatch.

A Northwestern university professor says coffee is as bad as whisky. He is to explain whether he speaks from experience or not.

A woman thinks she is having a real time in the conquest of Yarmouth. She has a powerful lever to make her husband go good.

The thing that puzzles a mother most about her baby is how it resembles his father and yet looks so much like both George Washington and Napoleon.

The battleship Indiana's thirteen tuck guns would be awfully unlikely to get off a salvo might happen to get into a controversy with the men behind them.

When the kings of England and Italy met they kissed each other on the cheek. Let us hope there is nothing to the theory that germs may be carried in whiskers.

Sir Thomas Lipton is having all kinds of preliminary sport with the Shamrock III. He always gets the best of his fun on the other side of the Atlantic.

An amateur baseball club at Bay Shore has a 15-year-old girl pitcher that is said to be a wonder. And thus the baseball also becomes a woman's sphere.

An American girl has become the Baroness Andre de Neufville. She should hardly have imagined that a name like Neufville could have been made to look so mayonnaise.

President Roosevelt occasionally uses the word "bully" when in a buxastic mood. This is said to be distasteful to several eminent authorities in Boston, and somebody ought to tell him of it.

Farmers will be interested to learn that a millionaire yachtsman has just laid out a fine squash court at his summer place on Long Island sound. It is quite different from the old-fashioned squash field.

There is a woman in a Cincinnati hospital who is afflicted with a strange malady which makes her sing continually. The case is very unfortunate, but she may get over it. Ragtime is said to be dying out.

A Philadelphia man has paid \$2,000 for the original manuscript of Poe's poem "The Bells." If Poe could have got that much money for any poem he wrote he would doubtless have considered himself the luckiest bard extant.

James B. Marcin was shot from behind in Kentucky the other day. He is the thirty-first victim of the feud which he is identified with. It is hoped this feud will soon be ended now, as only a few of the parties to it are left.

A New York paper which published a snapshot of a crowd on the baseball field has received an indignant protest from a reader who says that he would be willing to bet that he would not believe it was sick. Thus the great anticlimax movement begun by J. Pierpont Morgan receives another recruit.

As dispatch from Morocco announces that the pretender to the throne has so far recovered from his recent ailment that he was able to be assassinated by a French soldier.

STATE APPROPRIATIONS.

The Work of the Ways and Means Committee. The house ways and means committee practically finished its work when the House on Friday passed by a vote of \$50,000, and Chairman Neal issued the following statement:

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In the \$4,346,645 approved by the committee on ways and means the committee cut out of exactly \$200,000. All of the appropriations passed by the committee exceed \$1,000, except for educational and charitable purposes. The large bills on hand are the following:

Addition to capital. \$25,000.00
Soldiers' and sailors' monuments. 250,000.00
Executive mansion. 50,000.00

Chairman Neal said it is not likely that any of these latter bills will be reported out, but at a \$25,000 bill for the addition to the Jackson prison is still to come from the House.

The bill for the amount appropriated is \$150,000 more than the amount given to not include the regular amount of \$100,000 for the department of agriculture, the state dairyman's association, state library, board of health and weather service.

The estimate for the general budget includes expenses for the department of agriculture, \$250,000, the amount allowed, \$210,000, and the balance to be provided by other means being \$40,000.

The Battle Creek News. Firemen and police searching the ruins of the Battle Creek sanitarium barns Tuesday morning found the remains of J. B. Paul, aged 66 years, a sanitarium patient from Kansas, lying face downward under a pile of lumber. Paul was here for eye treatment, and died in the barn because caretaker Marshall was unable to find a doctor. He was buried in the morning.

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BEHIND THE SCENES.

The Michigan fish commission has "planted" in Island Lake, 100,000 walleye pike.

A tramp stopped at a farm house in Hager township and asked for food and shelter. The farmer refused, and the tramp was driven away.

The Michigan Pioneer & Historical Society will hold its annual meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Thursday, June 3 and 4.

Bernard Fingleton and Mrs. Jennie Fingleton, charged with the murder of John Johnson, a farmer in Ada township, were Saturday held to the Grand Rapids Circuit Court for trial.

A new scheme has been adopted by the Benton Harbor pharmacists for dodging the grand jury's order. They took whisky to the back door, and the buyer must not drink the stuff on the premises.

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"The more I saw of America the more I sympathize with our German people. They will be glad to see the States may some day be forced to fight with us very life. The victory over Germany will be ours."

"I am very mistaken about the temper of the Americans, their admirable talent for assimilation and their ability to overcome all difficulties will result in the annexation of Canada, Mexico and all the neighboring territories."

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"The said person came to his death at a point near where the Grand Truck Railroad crosses Cassfield avenue, in the city of Detroit, by means of a train with No. 8, run by engine No. 100, of Grand Truck Railroad Co., causing a collision with the car of the said person."

"The coroner believes the said Tony, Peter's death was caused by the train, and not by the accident of the Grand Truck Railroad Co., causing a collision with the car of the said person."

"The prosecuting attorney's opinion is that he cannot submit to prosecute any of the railroad employees under the state laws, but he calls the mayor's attention to certain contracts of the speed increase has been ignored by city officials; enforcement would have been authorized to the effect that the ordinance should be repealed, modified or enforced."

"Lord Minto in Detroit. The visit of Lord Minto, governor-general of the Dominion of Canada, to Detroit on Wednesday, though short was a grand spectacle. The escort was composed of the Mayor, the Commissioner and the corporation counsel, both appointed by the present mayor, and authorized to receive the Lord."

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"There is much talk in army circles that when President Roosevelt returns from his western trip, one of his first acts will be the retiring of Gen. Miles. It is believed, is determined by the general, to give out statement the other day about his trip into the mountains. Gen. Miles has commended his resignation to the president both by telegraph and letter, and is prepared to elaborate on this matter to Washington. He will urge the president to retire Miles without delay, and that the general will retire by the end of the year."

"Booth Tarkington, the author-legend of Indianapolis, is very low from typhoid fever. In a stroke of luck, in which 13 shots were exchanged at Durango, Colo., between David F. Day, editor, and Frank Hartman, newspaper writer, neither was hurt, saying that his father had hung himself to get out of work and he would do the same thing."

"Van Noose, a married man of Connersville, Ind., caused his sweetheart, Maude Sherwood, to take a dose of poison, and then swallowed the rest of the poison. His wife is dead, but the girl will live."

"Joseph Brodsky, of Newark, N. J., creased with jealousy, threw his wife down a flight of stairs, and then beat her hands, and with a poker at white heat and placed so near her breast as to burn her clothing, and the fire, which compelled her to say that she had been guilty of an abominable offense. The husband has been arrested."

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