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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, JULY 31.

Watermelon seeds cause appendicitis. Boil your watermelon.

Persons who belong to the upper crust must have plenty of dough.

Thirty-two lawyers in Chicago died last year. Where are those lawyers now?

That long-advertised cloudburst in the Balkans is momentarily expected once more.

Men who do not secretly take pride in well dressed wives have no business to have any.

Falling from an airship is quite an exciting and far less dangerous than riding in a devil wagon.

When a man is too busy to go fishing, he may not know it, but he is in a condition of slavery.

The news that King Alfonso is betrothed to his cousin must be welcome to the republicans of Spain.

A writer inquires: "Are the magazines declining?" We understand that they are, especially poetry.

Every man who carries a watch is naturally behind time. That is, unless he carries it in his hip pocket.

It is easier to save a soul than to keep it saved, says Rev. Mr. Crandall, and most of us will agree with him.

King Peter is getting so used to it that they don't have to revive him with cold water any more when a door slams.

The future queen of Denmark is over six feet tall, and will, therefore, properly be addressed as "your royal highness."

The sufferer from dyspepsia should cheer up when he considers how much more he would suffer if his wife had dyspepsia.

Probably the trouble heretofore has been that everybody has been giving the mosquito the low down instead of the high one.

Mrs. James Lovely, of Knoxville, Tenn., who is accused of poisoning her husband, scarcely deserves the prefix "perfectly."

People who are ashamed of their ancestors cannot be convinced that their ancestors would blush for them if they were alive.

In quitting America to become an Englishman, Bourke Cockran knows very well that he intends to remain every inch an Irishman.

Slowly but surely the yellow brother is embracing civilization. The Chinese laundrymen organized and struck, and now there is a chop suey trust.

At a recent wedding in London King Edward appeared wearing a red cravat with a frock coat, thus pulverizing the old tradition that the king can do no wrong.

There is no use trying to draw morals from Fourth of July accidents. Those who were hurt need no mentor, and those who escaped have no desire for one.

Lou Dillon is within two seconds of the trotting record, now held by Crescceus, the great Toledo stallion. Who says that the ladies are not asserting their rights?

An expert has discovered that the extraction of teeth causes blindness. The experience of humanity has seemed to be the other way, if seeing stars counts for anything.

A Boston laborer has fallen heir to $2,000,000. Before envying him think of the trouble he will have in getting away from the people who want to show him how to invest it.

A Philadelphia millionaire in his will left $50 to each of his three children. It must be a sad thing to work hard all his life for a fortune and have only $150 worth of children to leave it to.

Life insurance companies have warned policy holders in Milwaukee's county jail that the building is unsafe and that they must leave or have their policies canceled. And yet some of them may not leave.

A Waterbury (Conn.) man named Harris fell asleep during the performance at Barnum & Bailey's circus, and was robbed of his gold watch. When he takes a nap in public here after he will do it at church.

A Kansas farmer who called one of his neighbors "a Kansas jackass" and was sued for $2,500 damages has been ordered by the jury to pay the plaintiff $400. But what is $400 to a Kansas farmer whose feelings have been hurt.

It is pleasing to know that the Vienna ladies turned up their noses at the male beauty show and protested that they did not like handsome men. This is a reassuring indication that the ladies admire men only because they are so good.

Somebody in Boston sent $500 both Friday and Saturday to the conscience fund of the U. S. treasury. If this should meet the sender's eye he may consider it the people's receipt.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria is now ruling from behind a potato barrel in the cellar. Some of the Bulgarian Vitches are seeking promotion.

It is claimed that two cousins of the king of Servia are running saloons in Brooklyn. The craving for political power must run in that family.

Michigan Happenings

The Governor's Statement.

Regarding the removal of State Tax Commissioners Freeman and Sayres, who furnished the railroads with affidavits, which will be valuable in the suit against the state, Gov. Bliss says: "While I do not uphold their action in signing the affidavits at the instance of the railroad companies, who are contesting taxes levied upon their property under the ad valorem law, nothing has been made to appear that it constitutes legal cause for removal. In a hearing with these gentlemen I made it plain to them that they had offended against propriety and if they had consulted me I do not think the commissioners would have signed any affidavits. I do not believe that the railroads will profit any by the fact that these affidavits have been obtained. Let me say right here that nothing will be left undone on the part of the state in the line of securing equal and exact justice in the railroad cases, and the interests of the state will be protected at every stage of the contest to determine what is right. It is for the courts to determine whether the state or the railroads have the correct position and Attorney-General Blair will be given every possible assistance he may need. No application on his part has been denied except the request for the removal of Commissioners Freeman and Sayre, and had it developed that there was anything approaching malfeasance or misfeasance their removal would have been speedily accomplished."

Port Huron Fire.

The East Quay street district in Port Huron was the scene of a disastrous fire Saturday night, almost completely destroying the Jenks, Taylor, Howard & Co. lumber plant and planing mill and Dunford's upper dry dock, as well as the tug Sigginson, entailing a loss close to $75,000. Fortunately the wind was blowing towards the river and kept the flames from crossing the railroad tracks. Had it been blowing from the opposite way the destruction would have been far greater, as it would have spread over a greater area and attacked a residence section and also placed the electric light plant on the south side of Black River in jeopardy. Flying embers were carried clear across St. Clair river and the Sarnia fire department was called out to protect that town's river frontage. The Jenks yard was well stocked with lumber, containing upwards of 2,000,000 feet of mixed grades, and with the exception of a small quantity west of the railroad it was swept away. The plant was located on the old Howard mill site, the buildings being owned by the Henry Howard estate and valued at about $3,000 with no insurance.

The Attorney General's View.

Regarding the governor's decision as to the removal of State Tax Commissioners Freeman and Sayre, Attorney General Blair says: "The final decision is with the governor," he said, "and I shall take no further steps in the matter. In my judgment there was sufficient cause for removal; the governor holds a different opinion, and it is for the governor to decide. Ever since I got in the cases it has seemed that Freeman and Sayre were at all times solicitous for the railroads. They had a great deal to say about injustice to the companies, but they did not talk much about the interests of the people. I consider the affidavits simply as a public showing of the sentiments which they had entertained all along. If I could have looked upon their action as an indiscretion, I would have been disposed to have overlooked it. But in my judgment there is evidence sufficient for their removal from office. Their continuance in office will have no bearing upon the case. They have done all the harm that it is in their power to do, and of course I shall proceed independently of them."

Starts With a Family.

Divorced and married again within ten minutes is the record established Tuesday by Sarah De Graw, of Spencer township, Kent Co. Harrison De Graw deserted her and their eleven children some time ago, and was never heard of again by his relatives. Mrs. De Graw decided to get a divorce and Judge Wolcott granted her one. The ink on the precious document had not become dry when Philo Borst, of Nelson township, put in an appearance and, taking Sarah by the hand, led her to the register of deeds office, where they were made one.

Buchanan is to have a feather dister factory.

A big peat bog has been located near Schoolcraft.

Mrs. Byron Poorman, of Lawton, will probably be crippled for life from being thrown from her buggy in a runaway.

The rural mail carriers of Ingham county have elected Chas. Saraw president, Felix McNeanis secretary, and C. W. Rowley treasurer.

Sebastian Hoopfer, of Rapid City, aged 80, was found dead in bed Monday. He was born in Germany and was a resident of Michigan for about 15 years. He was the father of 15 children, six of whom survive him. He was making his home with his son Gilbert.

The experiment of closing Portland's stores at 6 o'clock will be commenced August 3. Eleven of the leading merchants have signed an agreement to try it. It is not a movement of the clerks, although they are anxious for it to be done, but was inaugurated by the merchants themselves.

The Michigan forestry commission has formally chosen Prof. Roth, of the state university, as forestry warden, and directed him to make a survey of the reserve in Roscommon county. He will spend the summer at this work and begin improvements as soon as the weather conditions are favorable.

The sudden death of Mrs. John Bush, of Traverse City, has aroused suspicions among her friends, and there is talk of an inquest. Mrs. Bush was down town in seemingly perfect health in the afternoon, but died in convulsions an hour and a half later. The symptoms indicated strychnine poisoning. She is said to have been very despondent at times, and she may have committed suicide.

Cornelius McCullar stored water in barrels in his logging camp near Agate Harbor, and it grew stale. From drinking it, one of his daughters is dead, one is seriously ill, and his wife's life is despaired of.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Grayling has the incorporation bee in her bonnet.

Rumors of an attempt to secure a parole for Frank C. Andrews have been revived.

Berrien county farmers complain that their fruit harvest is wasting through lack of help.

A flying slab struck Will Kirby on the head in Cameron's lumber mill, Torch Lake, and killed him.

Hartford now boasts of a female embalmer, and funeral director who is duly licensed to do business.

Bro. Keyes, of the Lexington News, mourns because the town hasn't been visited by a circus for one, many, many months.

A Grand Ledge hotel has closed because the landlord was unable to secure sufficient dining-room and kitchen help.

A large addition has been built to the wooden mills at Clinton. Over $13,000 worth of machinery has been purchased.

A son of George Hudson fell off a load of hay on his father's farm, in Richfield township, Thursday and died soon afterwards.

The summer meeting of the Livingston county association of farmers' clubs will be held in the courthouse at Howell on August 4.

Thousands of bushels of the finest huckleberries that ever grew will go to waste in Iosco county on account of the scarcity of pickers.

The Tekonsha News says that hog cholera is raging in that vicinity and that farmers have lost large numbers of hogs in the past few weeks.

New York papers are advertising that a fortune awaits Henry Ash, a resident of Grand Rapids, Mich., for it is said Ash is a confirmed wanderer.

Bennett & Burton, who have edited the Lansing News for some time past, have disposed of their interests in the same to H. Van Ommeren, of Armada.

We believe Schewaing can give any village of her size yards and yards on worthless dogs, says the Review, and win out. And they are all unmuzzled.

Several human skeletons have been uncovered near the village of Le Grand. The bodies lay in a circle and had undoubtedly been there for a century or more.

There is every indication of a bumper crop of sugar beets in Bay county this fall. Unless all signs fail it will be the largest in the history of the sugar industry.

George Elliott, aged 87, of Seneca, challenges any person of his age for a wrestle. John Brown, the 93-year-old blacksmith of Sand Creek, may accept the challenge.

Nicholas Scanlan, of Grand Rapids, stood on a ladder that rested on the F. M. tracks against Stowe & Davis' factory. An engine struck the ladder, and he was fatally injured.

Earl, the eleven-year-old son of Alvin Smith, residing near Yorkville, was seriously injured on Friday by a pulley used on a hay fork giving way and striking the lad on the head.

The body of a woman found floating in the river this morning was identified as that of Mrs. William Martin, of Point Edwards, who committed suicide because neighbors had slandered her.

Drunken Finlanders made a raid on a building occupied by 40 Polish girls engaged in beet weeding at Alabaster. The girls jumped from the windows and several were hurt, one quite seriously.

In a fight said to have arisen over the recent organization of the carriage and livery men's union John Stewart, of Bay City, president of the union, was perhaps fatally injured Saturday night.

The board of state auditors has awarded the contract for placing a new roof on the state capitol building to George Rickman & Sons, of Kalamazoo, on a bid of $13,900, which was the lowest.

The fact that under a new law which takes effect September 1 first cousins may not wed in Michigan is pointed out in the monthly bulletin of the department of vital statistics in the secretary of state's office.

Several human skeletons were uncovered in a mound by the blasting of a big pine stump in Le Grand, Cheboygan county. The skeletons lay in a circle and are supposed to be remains of Mound Builders.

The state committee on selection of a site for the new normal school will visit Hastings, Charlotte, Traverse City and other places. It is not probable that a decision as to location will be made before October 1.

The crops throughout Sanilac county are in better condition than they have been in years and the abundant yield gives promise of compensation for the failure of last year, caused by the heavy and frequent rains.

The annual reunion of the Twenty-seventh Michigan Infantry will be held in Detroit in the Armory future. The headquarters will be at the rooms of the Loyal Legion Memorial hall, at Grand River and Cass avenues.

Attorney John E. Simonson, of Bay City, has been interviewed members of the pardon board in favor of Ed Bennett, who wants to be released from the state prison where he has five years yet to serve. The application for a pardon was filed several months ago.

Governor Bliss and Attorney-General Blair had a conference Tuesday. During the talk the matter of the removal of Tax Commissioners Sayre and Freeman was mentioned, but only incidentally, and the interview closed with the attorney-general strong in the conviction that the governor does not propose to act in the matter.

Charles Reutter ordered some berry-pickers off his huckleberry marsh in Swan Creek township, and as they did not leave at once, he brought out his shotgun. Loading it with No. 4 shot he went skirmishing for the pickers, discharging the weapon a number of times at them. The shots took effect on Annie Beehan, Jacob and William Schoop and Gracie Melline, the latter being but 13 years of age. One of the party was seriously injured in the neck.

Lilly Leiter, a 14-year-old girl, was taken from a Niles house of ill-fame, into the hands of the proprietress of which the girl's mother had given her.

Gov. Bliss has appointed Edwin R. Lewis, Colavaras Gen. Frederick S. Hutchinson, Ionia, and Maj. George H. Hopkins, Detroit, commissioners to mark the positions of the Michigan troops in the battle of Vicksburg.

The champion huckleberry picker of the season so far reported is Clayton Deake, of near Nothville, who picked three and a half bushels of the fruit in six and a quarter hours, wading in water about four feet deep to obtain it.

Waldron citizens are trying to organize a company to start a bank in their village. Not a one-man bank like the one that failed there two years ago, but a stock company composed of its own citizens and controlled by them.

The second floor of the Cheboygan pea canning factory fell in Monday morning. C. A. Powers, a carpenter, and several other persons were injured, but none of them seriously. The damage to the building and stock amounted to about $2,000.

William Rindland, of Lapeer township, has disappeared bodilessly and foul play is suspected. He left his home July 7 to purchase a horse five miles distant. He started to return from there, and since that time all trace of him has been lost.

The 15-year-old son of Cornelius Vanhalst, of Kalamazoo, died from the effects of chloroform administered "to perform a simple operation. The doctors say they exercised due care, and that death was due to the treacherous qualities of the chloroform.

Ella Hull, a 16-year-old girl being held at the Ionia jail as a witness against her stepfather, Frank Zimmer, has given birth to a baby girl. The child is reported to live to testify against Zimmer, as since the child's birth she has been ill with convulsions.

The Ironwood company, of the Third Regiment, National Guard, which May, Wood criticised in his recent inspection, will be mustered out at once by order of the state military board. There will probably be a number of applicants for the vacancy.

Investigation shows that Louis Rivard, of Bay City, came to his death at the Hecla plant by placing his foot accidentally over a 12-inch conveyor opening. The screw mangled his leg horribly, stripping off all the flesh. He could not survive the shock.

Charles Henson, a negro, sent to the Marquette prison from Mecosta in 1901 for assault, has gone insane. Charles Johnson, of Houghton county, has also gone insane in the prison recently. Edward Alore, of Bay, was insane when he was sent to the institution.

Johnnie Lacrosse, of Saginaw, becoming possessed of a mining "cap," experimented with it until it was discharged. The tops of three fingers on one hand were blown off, the other were blown off, and an ugly wound inflicted in his side. His condition is serious.

No raw troops will participate in the Newport, Ky., maneuvers. Those from Michigan must be well drilled in the manual of arms and in guard duty and battalion drill, as well as in other things which can be learned at the home armories, including loading and firing.

A pot hunter at Mio has been arrested, charged with killing two beavers in the lower county on the Au Sable. If the law that protects the beavers is strictly enforced, these industrious animals will soon establish colonies on nearly all the northern Michigan streams.

South Lyon is preparing for a big time on August 19. That is the date set for the annual jubilee and celebration of the Masonic order of the county. A large amount of money has been raised for cash prizes for various sports, and there will be doings from morning till night.

Sobon Stone, aged 102 years, the oldest resident of Shiawassee county, lies helpless at the home of his grandson, Frank Westcott, of Vernon, and his death is believed to be only a matter of a few weeks. He is deaf, dumb and blind, though until a year ago his health was quite good.

Mrs. Fred Lacass, of Flushing, was painfully injured while helping her husband harvest hay. She was driving the tedder when a jerk of the horses threw her in front of the machinery. The tedder passed over her, the forks penetrating her body to a depth in places of several inches.

Walter Corbelle, a 15-year-old Houghton lad, was watching a golf game and was warned to get out of the way, but he dodged behind a marker, placed his hands over his face and said, "Here's where I get killed." A golf stick struck him on the right temple and he died in three hours.

Four of Charles Montague's creditors have begun proceedings in the United States district court to have him declared a bankrupt. The petitioners are Amos L. Kinney, Lottie Randall, Burleigh W. Randall and Sarah J. Bastone, who hold certificates of deposit in the Caro Exchange bank.

George Gougeon, of Bay City, is the father of 11 children. He was checking up a few days ago, and found that there have been 14 cases of fractured bones among the 11. All kinds of bones have been broken, arms, legs, collar bones and ribs, but the youngsters have taken it all in good part, as it was something they had coming to them anyway.

The people of Wakefield, Gogebic Co., have for some time been discussing the question of putting in a $10,000 electric light plant which will furnish lights for the village and also the adjoining mines. As a result of the deliberations, it has been decided to hold a special election for the purpose of voting the authority and funds needed to install the proposed improvement.

While the Women's Christian Temperance Union was holding a picnic at Benton Harbor on Saturday to secure funds for keeping in existence an industrial school running in Benton Harbor as an auxiliary of that organization, some shoppers waited on the business men under pretense of securing funds for the same cause. In the Saturday rush but little attention was given to the solicitors, and the officers are now looking for the strangers and the money they secured.

About twenty leading farmers and business men of Lake Odessa will be interested in the bank which is to be established in that village.

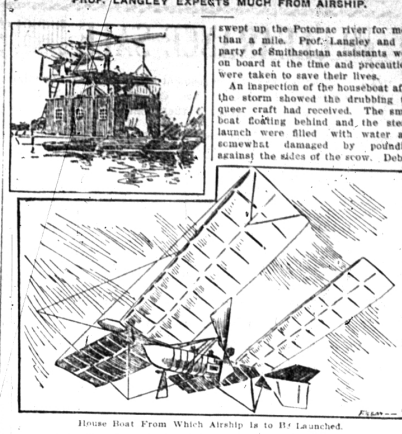
Alfred McClintock, a Greenbush farmer, doesn't like automobiles, but in the future he will probably confine himself to verbal railing at them. One of them came by his place the other day and frightened his horses, so he picked up a fence rail and threw it in front of the machine. The latter was going at a lively gait when it struck the rail, and was somewhat wrecked. Its owner was mad, and to show McClintock that everyone has rights on the highway, had him arrested and fined $25 and costs.

The Holly flour mill has changed hands and the new owners will turn it into a "health food" factory.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM MANY STATES

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

PROF. LANGLEY EXPECTS MUCH FROM AIRSHIP.



House Boat From Which Airship is to Be Launched.

Former Airship After Which Later and Larger Airship is Modeled.

Although Prof. S. P. Langley's preparations for sailing his airship were interrupted by a storm, there will probably be little delay in the flight of the machine, and the problem of sailing the air may be solved within a week.

During the heavy blow Prof. Langley's house boat was torn from its anchorage and carried along by the wind and a swift floodtide and was swept up the Potomac river for more than a mile. Prof. Langley and his party of Smithsonian Institute assistants were on board at the time and precautions were taken to save their lives.

An inspection of the houseboat after the storm showed the drubbing the queer craft had received. The small boat containing bread and, the steam launch were filled with water and somewhat damaged by pounding against the sides of the scow. Debris of various kinds were scattered over the decks.

The upper rigging of the superstructure suffered most. Several smaller beams and braces were broken, and the sliding car, upon which the airship will be carried when it is launched, was somewhat damaged.

The War department is assisting Prof. Langley to preserve all possible secrecy. A regular soldier armed with a Krag-Jorgensen rifle guards the house

Placed in the Tomb.

The body of Pope Leo was interred in St. Peter's Saturday night. The strokes of the hammer which resounded through the immense dome of the cathedral announced to the earnest gathering in the nave that Leo XIII. had been laid to rest. At sundown the most imperial and most solemn of all the obsequies took place. The front doors of the basilica were closed, and the vast church, except for a row of lights at the shrine of St. Peter, the candles about the bier and those persons who had quietly and with the utmost reverence gathered there, appeared deserted.

About 1,000 persons had received invitations to attend the ceremonies. The cardinals, who met earlier in the Vatican, entered the chapel in choir, waiting there for the arrival of the procession. Cardinal Oreglia, the camerlengo, holding the keys of command.

Told to kill a babe when summoned to the home of Wm. C. Arnold, a well-to-do farmer, of Fayette county, Pa., Dr. Lilly told the parents he would kill them first. He later became suspicious and returning found that the child was dead and buried. Arnold and his wife were arrested charged with murdering the babe.

Horrible Acts Committed.

Danville, Ill., is in the throes of a race war. One negro, J. D. Mayfield, of Evansville, Ind., who shot and killed Henry Gatterman, white, has been lynched by a mob of 500 men. Shots were later fired upon by the sheriff, three men being wounded. The mob were clamoring for the life of another negro named James Wilson, who has confessed to a brutal assault on Mrs. Thomas Burgess, wife of a farmer at Alvon, Ill. After securing Mayfield he was struck with shotgun, knocked down, jumped upon and stamped to death. A rope was placed around his neck and his lifeless body was dragged three blocks through the streets to the scene of the shooting. An effort was made to hang the body to a telegraph pole, but the rope broke. The mob, which by this time, numbered 5,000, then dragged the body to the jail and burned it. While Mayfield's body was burning the ears were chopped off and the feet which protruded from the flames, were hacked to pieces.

The first new wheat of the season was sold in Lansing Tuesday. It was of fine quality and brought seventy-four cents. Farmers are now in the midst of their harvest, but are being delayed by frequent rains.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Mrs. Wilhelmina Cochrane Barrington was granted a divorce at Kansas City from Lord Barrington, Mrs. Barrington, who is now under indictment at St. Louis, charged with murder.

Estimates received from all parts of the state show that Nebraska's wheat will exceed any previous crop. It will yield at least 80,000,000 bushels, compared with the 10,000,000 crop of 1899.

More indictments are said to have been made by the federal grand jury at New York against former Congressman Edmund H. Driggs, and two against George W. Beavers, superintendent of allowances of salaries in the postoffice department.

Five Americans were drowned in Alaska rivers. The steamer Excelsior from Valdes reports tragedies in which Miss Lou Wheeler, August Recehle and Henry and Paul Weidmer were drowned in the Nabesna river and Burt Ford in the Copper, at the mouth of the Chitna.

A hundred carloads of fruit a day, or 2,400,000 pounds, are now going east from Scandinavia, Iowa. Railroad officials and orchardists say that the prospects are favorable for the shipment east this season of 8,000 carloads or 192,000,000 pounds, of all sorts of green fruits.

John Holdvelser, a farmer near Randolph, Neb., harnessed his wife to a harrow, and, because she wasn't strong enough to drag it drove a newly plowed cornfield, whipped her unmercifully with a knotted rope. He is in jail, after a narrow escape from tar and feathers.

Charles Jaenecke, of Lansing, is very ill at Dimondale of blood-poisoning. He went to Dimondale last week to care for his brother, who had been injured by falling from a sugar factory at Tawas City. The brother contracted blood-poisoning from his injuries and died. The surviving brother has become very ill with the disease, and may not recover.

Charles Hedges was removed from the office of superintendent of free delivery of the postoffice department on the charge of falsifying his time card and loading his traveling commission. It is charged that he reported himself at various places when the fact he was not at those places on the date mentioned, in some instances being hundreds of miles away.

Reason restored by a fall was the remarkable outcome of a shock backwards from a third story window by Mrs. Bridget Hurley, of Bayonne, N. J., who had been ill, and demented for several years. The hospital physicians at first declared that the shock would prove fatal. Now they have discovered that it has restored her lost powers and it is believed she will recover from her physical injuries. When her husband found she could talk rationally he wept for joy.

The battleship Kearsarge made her trip from Portsmouth, N. H., to Bar Harbor, Me., a distance of 2,000 miles, in nine days and four and one-fourth hours, an average of 13.6 miles an hour. The highest speed attained was a little over 15 knots an hour and the slowest was 10. Three times during the trip the ship was slowed down once on account of fog in the vicinity of an iceberg, and twice on account of a very thick fog. The trip, however, demonstrated that a ship of her class in time of war can cross the ocean and engage an enemy at once; that the Kearsarge is one of the most perfect ships in the world and fully equal to any emergency.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit, Cattle—Good fat corn fed heifers, 1c higher; others steady; common half fat steers 10@25c lower. Little more demand for stockers and feeders, but no higher. Choice steers, $4.50@4.75; good to choice butcher steers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $4@4.25; fair to good butchers, 50 steers and heifers, 700 to 900 lbs, $3.50@3.90; mixed butchers and fat cows, $2.50@3.50; canners, $1.50@2; common cows, $2@2.25; good shippers bulls, $2.25@2.50; common feeders, $3@3.25; good well-fleshed feeders, $3.30@3.65; light stockers, $3@3.30; milch cows and springers, $25@45.

Hogs—Pigs steady. Butchers hogs 10@20c higher. Light to good butchers, $5.70@5.75; pigs, $5.90@6; Yorkers, $5.75@5.80; roughs, $4@5. Stags, one-third off.

Sheep and lambs—Lambs of all kinds fully $1 per hundred lower than last week. Sheep 25@50c lower. Good to choice dull. Best lambs, $5.85@6.25; fair to good lambs, $4.75@5.50; light to common lambs, $4@6; yearlings, $4@4.50; fair to good mixed sheep, $4@4.25; fair to good, $3.75@4; picked wethers, $4.50@4.75.

Chicago, Cattle—Good to prime steers, $5.25@5.60; poor to medium, $3.25@5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.40; cows and heifers, $1.60@4.75; canners, $1.60@1.90; bulls, $2.50@4.40; calves, $3@6.60; Texas-fed steers, $3.50@5; western steers, $3.50@4.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5.60@5.85; good to choice heavy, $5.70@5.80; rough heavy, $5.40@5.65; light, $5.50@5.80; bulk of sales, $5.60@5.80.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $3.75@4; fair to choice mixed, $3@3.60; western sheep, $2.50@4.25; native lambs, $3.25@6.25; western lambs, $4.60@5.90.

Grain.

Detroit—Wheat (actual sales)—No. 2 white, 77½c; No. 2 red, 5,000 bu, and 2 cars at 77½c. July, 2,000 bu at 77½c; September, 3,000 bu at 78½c, 2,000 bu at 78½c, 5,000 bu at 78½c, 15,000 bu at 78¾c, 5,000 bu at 78¾c, closing nominal at 78½c; December, 5,000 bu at 79½c, 5,000 bu at 79¾c, 5,000 bu at 79½c, 8,000 bu at 79¼c; No. 3 red, 75½c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 51c; No. 3 yellow, 1 car at 52½c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, spot, 1 car at 35¾c, closing nominal at 36c; do August, 36c bid; do September, 36½c, 1,000 bu at 36½c.

Rye—No. 2 spot, 52c; do August, 50½c; No. 1 rye, 52c per bu.

Chicago, Wheat—No. 2 red, 75@76c. Corn—No. 2, 51c; No. 2 yellow, 51½c. Oats—No. 2, 33@33½c; No. 2 white, 40@41c; No. 3 white, 37@40c. Rye—No. 2, 50½c. Barley—Good feeding, 42c; fair to choice malting, 46@50c.

HIDDEN PICTURE PUZZLE.

Find the Farmer's Lost Sheep.

Bob Fitzsimmons, the pugilist, was married at the Palace hotel, San Francisco, to Miss Julia May Gifford, the actress, who played in the comic opera "When Johnny Comes Marching Home." George Dawson was Fitz's best man and Miss Bertha Darrel supported the bride.

In dumping out a barrow of coal in front of the boilers at the central station of the Grand Rapids Edison Company Tuesday morning the fireman discovered among the black diamonds a dynamite cartridge of sufficient size to have blown the boiler out of the building and to have wrecked the plant.

Grace at a jail table was a novelty, but when it was said by a minister who had just killed one man and fatally wounded another, it occasioned much remark. Robert Lee, a minister at Linnie, Ky., became involved in a quarrel with Ellis Woods and the latter's son and the shooting followed, the preacher killing Woods and fatally wounding his son. The "fighting parson" was then arrested and taken to jail at Liberty, where he peacefully returned thanks at the table with the other prisoners.

President Roosevelt wore out his horse in his 35-mile ride from Sagamore to Sayville, L. I.

Lynching a detective was the revenge attempted by infuriated villagers at Foster, Pa., when they learned that John Peel, a D., L. & W. officer had found evidence which would connect a score of the families of the village with wholesale thievery of brass and other junk from the company's property. Taking refuge in the depot, Peel was rescued by the crew of a train ordered to his assistance.

Miss Eleanor G. Corliss, of Glenoldenen, Pa., accidentally shot herself while firing at a cat that was trying to steal her chickens. The bullet entered her breast close to the heart, and she died without saying a word.

Five boodlers will be sentenced by Judge Ryan at St. Louis as follows: Emil Hartmann, convicted of bribery, in connection with the city lighting deal, to six years in the penitentiary; J. J. Hannigan and Louis Decker, convicted of perjury in connection with the Suburban railway bill deal; to four years, and T. Ed. Albright and John Sheridan, convicted of bribery in connection with the Suburban railway bill deal, to five years' imprisonment. All are former members of the house of delegates.

A reward of $500 has been offered for the capture of the incendiaries who have been starting fires at Ionia.

A cannon loaded with treasure was found in an inlet of Vermillion Bay, near Lafayette, Ind., by two negroes. The gold and silver coins may be worth $100,000.

Charles W. Clark, son of U. S. Senator Clark, of Montana, confesses that it was he who offered Judge Harney $250,000 to confess that he had been bribed in the Minnie Healy case.

A brewery conducted by the supreme court of New York through John M. Rowers as receiver, has a profit of $500,000 for the past year. For his services Mr. Rowers will receive a fee of approximately $150,000.

Postmaster C. J. Thompson, of Toledo, was horsewhipped by Corn Prater, a colored woman whose letters had been confiscated by the department. The postmaster received ten stinging cuts before he was rescued.

Aroused by jealousy because John Sawyer and Mrs. Lou Rensell together at the Rensell saloon, in Bucyrus, O., Charles Kent, the bartender, entered the room and shot the woman dead, wounded Sawyer in the arm and then fled to the alley and blew his own brains out. Kent, who was a bartender for Mrs. Rensell some time ago eloped with her to California. Recently they returned.