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"Can ladies smoke in automobiles?" queries an exchange. They can; but they don't.

Hops have gone up, but they will go down just as steadily as if nothing had happened.

For wearing a dress with a low neck on the street Mrs. Pat Campbell was annoyed by a lot of rubbernecks.

Churches are uniting at a great rate. Is the religious world becoming superdenominationalistically inclined? Whew!

A blue book of the cat aristocrats of America has been published. All cats look alike from the bedroom window.

The college young man, it is plain, will cheerfully look after the coeds.—Chicago Tribune.

Rubber?

Dr. Gunsaulus says that the day of the boy orator is gone. Sure. The boy orator has grown to a man and quit the habit.

The world's fair air ship race was a fizzle. Still, it is worthy of praise for one thing. It didn't result in the killing of anybody.

Those lamas who pray even for the microbes they swallow might save time by following our example and boiling the water.

The Parisians are now engaging in falconry in automobiles. By my halidom, messieurs, mediaevalism up to date is really hot stuff.

In his new novel entitled "Automobolsmie" it is thought that Jules Verne will considerably lower his former record of eighty days.

The loss sustained by the University of Minnesota by reason of the recent fire is not so great as at first reported. They saved the gridiron.

How would it do, for instance, to try the recently discovered and much talked of sour milk elixir of life on the frequently slaughtered Kurds.

There is nothing to show, however, that the Harry Lehr dogs try to undog themselves, so to speak, when they attend one of his parties.

William Waldorf Astor is still able to tolerate America as a financial investment, but nothing more than that, mark you, must be expected of him.

The Radcliffe girls have been cautioned not "to look at the boys" in their travels in Cambridge. It's a slow girl that can't see the boys without looking.

Mr. Harry Lehr, whose latest flash of genius is the invention of tea parties for dogs, is said to object to newspaper notoriety. We should think he would.

An Asheville hen scratched up in the poultry yard a diamond worth $2,000 that had been lost two years. Be kind and considerate to your hens; it may be worth while.

President Butler wants $2,000,000 for Columbia university. Dr. Harper may be able to furnish him with a prescription, but he will have to look for his own apothecary.

The small stockholders in the $2,000,000 New Jersey corporation which has been sold out for $200 hereafter will believe just one ten-thousandth of what prospectuses say.

Wu Ting-fang, who is to revisit the United States, will be surprised on his return to find out how well this country has managed to worry along without his counsel and advice.

Surgeons lately relieved an Ohio young woman of fifty-one needles that were scattered through various parts of her anatomy. She must have been a girl with many fine points about her.

Chicago teachers are going to make a careful study of that city. Incidentally the hospitals are preparing to increase their facilities for caring for persons suffering from nervous prostration.

The Senate committee finds that the Chickasaw and Creek Indians are selling their valuable lands in a gang. The worst of it is that they immediately pass the bars of music over the other kind.

Experts are discussing the question as to what shall be done with our idiots. Really it isn't necessary to do anything with them so long as they do nothing worse than take straw votes.

Mr. Joseph Jefferson has announced his purpose to retire forever and enjoy that long vacation to which he has looked forward for so many years. Everybody hopes that he will have plenty of time and opportunity to act the part.

The house of an editor in Sheibina, Mo., was struck by lightning three times in one night during a recent storm. But his house may have been so large and palatial that the lightning struck it in three different places.—Exchange.

An Omaha waiter who was attacked by a guest on account of the quality of pie served for dinner shot and seriously wounded his assailant. It does seem, however, that pies that have to be served with a revolver should be withdrawn from circulation.

Apropos of the slight breakfast, when a gilt waiter asked Eugene Field one morning whether he would have a beefsteak, chop, ham, or omelet, or what, that genial humorist replied: "An orange, please, and a few kind words." He didn't die of dyspepsia.

FROM ALL OVER MICHIGAN

OVER THE FENCE.

Four Long-Termers Escape From Jackson Prison.

Four convicts escaped from the Jackson prison Sunday night at 6 o'clock by simply picking up a ladder, placing it against the outer wall and stepping down on the other side out of sight. The quartet at liberty are Robbin Terry, the star pitcher for the prison ball nine, serving from six to ten years from Ingham county for assault; James McGee, in for eight years for burglary in Cass county; Monty Harding, sent from Kalamazoo for nine years on the same charge, and Harry A. Gilbert, a forger from Calhoun county, doing from one to three years.

The men, two others have been engaged for several Sundays in painting the smokestacks of the factories within the prison walls, it being impossible to do the work on week days because of the heat from the furnaces. They were not closely watched, as it was not thought they could get over the walls under the eyes of the sentinels. But at 6 o'clock, when the guard was being changed, and there was no one to watch their movements, the quartet hunted up a ladder and were over the wall and away, taking their painters' suits, pails and brushes. The men are all young and are said to be smooth characters.

Eight prisoners have escaped from the Mason jail within the last six weeks, three getting away yesterday. The men are: Thomas Mowe, sentenced to Jackson for from one to 14 years for forgery; William Bonner, awaiting trial on a charge of highway robbery, and William Sewell, colored, awaiting trial for burglary.

BIG JOB.

Clergyman's Prophecy That Japs Will Lick Uncle Sam.

Rev. William H. Osborne, one of the cleverest clergymen in the state, in a sermon preached at St. Thomas' Episcopal church, Battle Creek Sunday, made the startling prophecy that some time in the course of the history of the United States the soldiery of this republic will have to be defeated by the Japs. The defeat, he stated, will be due to the fact that the Japanese are cold-water men, while the United States soldier resorts to the use of stimulants. The speaker expressed himself as being certain that the "clear-eyed Japs" will defeat the drunken and immoral Russians.

Shockingly Injured.

Edward Kelly, the son of Mrs. Carrie Merrifield, and William Haley, Jr., of Owosso, each aged about 15 years, were probably fatally injured by an explosion of dynamite in battery case, Merrifield's face was literally filled with bits of the copper casing and the sight of the left eye is destroyed, while lockjaw is almost sure to ensue. Haley's left temple was punctured and a piece of copper was also driven into his leg.

The boys were playing in a vacant lot when they found the caps attached to a copper wire, intending to sell it and the wire for junk, they threw the coils into a fire, the explosion following, while they were bending over the blaze. Merrifield presented a pitiful appearance, his face being so covered with blood that he could not be recognized, while he staggered about the street, shrieking "save me," at the top of his voice.

Too Many Apples.

For the first time in several years, Battle Creek is overstocked with apples. The country is so thoroughly overstocked with the fruit that it is impossible to find a market. Hundreds of bushels will rot on the trees, as contracts cannot be got at $1.50 a day and board to pick the fruit and can scarcely sell it when it is picked and barrelled. One farmer offered to sell his orchard of 200 bushels to the Hewes & Bibb Storage Co. for $10. The storage people said they would refuse it if the farmer paid them $10 to accept the apples. More apples are offered for sale to this city than in any past year, and farmers cannot sell the best eating apples for more than 25 cents a bushel from door to door.

Plain Speaking.

Sensational talks have marked the convention of the State Federation of Women's clubs held in Bay City. Caroline H. Wright, of Grand Rapids, in discussing shopping ethics, strongly condemned the moral conditions which are forced on young girls working for small wages, stating that women could practically control the situation, as the big department and other stores depend on their patronage. Mrs. Wright declared that often when young women apply to managers for wages sufficient to enable them to live decently, they are met with the question, "Haven't you some gentleman friend who can help you out?"

Broke His Neck.

Dell Johnson, employed at Von Platen's paper yard, Grand Rapids, was receiving a 2x6 maple heart plank from the tramway and was placing it on a wagon when, in some unaccountable manner, the two planks slipped away from the other planks on the tramway, and, falling closely together, struck Johnson on the head and neck, breaking his back in two places and breaking his neck in two places. Johnson was about 50 years old and but recently came from Elk Rapids. He leaves a widow and three grown children.

Smallpox Spreads.

Two new smallpox cases were discovered Wednesday night in Battle Creek, making Fred Grant and A. Moore, colored, being removed to the detention hospital. This makes eight patients at the hospital—black, white and Indian. The Indians near Athens are improving, and no cases are reported in the village itself. The two latest patients in this city do not know where they caught the disease.

E. W. Wheelock, despondent because of his poverty, committed suicide by swallowing morphine at his home near Battle Creek.

Three masked men broke into the house of Wm. Reed, aged 63 years, of Charlotte, and bound and gagged him and ransacked the place, securing, however, only $5.

R. F. Stewart, pioneer resident of Palmyra, died very suddenly shortly after supper Friday from a hemorrhage of the lungs. He is survived by the widow and one daughter. He was a prominent Mason.

The jury in the case of W. F. Stison tried in Pontiac, charged with a statutory crime in connection with his niece, Theresa Stison, brought in a verdict of guilty just after noon Friday, having been out one hour and a half.

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

Battle Creek business men are planning an organization to carry their own insurance, because of high prices charged by regular companies.

A school report issued by Supt. W. G. Coburn shows that there are about 100 less children in the Battle Creek public schools than there were one year ago.

Fire destroyed the residence of Geo. Armstrong, of Traverse City, causing a loss of $2,000, with insurance of $1,000. The wife of his son and her baby, were almost suffocated before they could escape.

Wild geese are now daily seen going south over northern Michigan. Many alight in Saginaw bay and other waters to rest from their long flight from the north, and quite a few are killed by local sportsmen.

Houghton county is good, but is better than ever before since Sheriff Will has set up his moving picture and talking rooms and closed every slot machine in the county, but is getting after "gentlemen's games" of draw poker.

Joseph Fisher, alias Beckman, who is alleged to have swindled Mrs. Caroline Cameron, of Battle Creek, out of $3,000 on a forged mortgage, was bound over to the circuit court by Justice Bidwell, bail being fixed at $5,000.

The five-year-old daughter of Joseph Allie fell from the seat of a delivery wagon driven by her father and was run over by two vehicles, sustaining serious and disfiguring injuries, which will probably result in the loss of one eye.

Kalamazoo G. A. R. Building association has just completed a block of $5,000 stock issue and has purchased a handsome residence property for a home, which will be used as headquarters for Orcutt Post, G. A. R., and the W. R. C.

A new jury panel of 300 men has been drawn for the trial of ex-Mayor Perry, of Grand Rapids, on a bribery charge in the water deal. It is not expected that a jury can be secured in Kent county and a change of venue is anticipated.

Hunters have already commenced shooting partridge along the M. C. and D. & M. railroads and the D. & M. company offer a reward of $25 for the conviction of anyone found shooting any birds out of season. The season opens Oct. 20.

The Detroit & Bay City Traction Co. has asked Pontiac for a franchise for a proposed electric freight and passenger railroad from Detroit to Bay City, taking in the towns of Franklin, Pontiac, Lapeer, Mayville, Caro, Akron and Bay City.

The petition for local option was thrown out Saturday by the board of supervisors of Branch county because it did not have the legal number of signers. The board then ordered failure of the local optionists to get their petition through.

A month ago George Osborn, a young farmer, 22 years of age, disappeared from his home in Sturgis, leaving his young wife and a baby. He left no word as to where he was going, and nothing was heard from him until Thursday, when he returned home again without any explanation.

Deputy Sheriff Hodge, of Leslie, arrested Convicts Harding and Gilbert, two of the quartet that escaped from the Jackson prison Sunday. The men had entered the Leslie hotel and asked for something to eat, when they were recognized by the officer and arrested. They were armed with a pistol apiece.

The supreme court affirmed the conviction of Jacob P. Ellen, an alderman convicted of bribery in the Grand Rapids water deal. The only reason raised on appeal was whether the proposed water contract was something which would come before Ellen in an official capacity. The court held, as in the Mollett trial, that it was.

Thirteen-year-old Melissa Gilfoil, the sister of William Gilfoil, now serving time for murdering James Gaffney, is in the custody of the sheriff. It is claimed she is incorrigible and incorrigible since she was four years of age and the authorities at Coldwater claim they can do nothing with her. She will probably be taken to Adrian to the school for girls.

While collecting fares near Monroe, Bert W. Graves, a Lake Shore conductor, was stricken with apoplexy. He was brought to Detroit and taken to a hotel, where he has since remained unconscious. Mr. Graves is 73 years old and lives in Toledo, and is one of the oldest conductors on the Detroit division of the road. Small hopes for his recovery are entertained. Daniel Ketchum, an old Wabash conductor, also had a fainting spell while collecting fares near Lenawee junction. His case is not serious.

CONDENSED NEWS.

One million dollars has been lost to the world's fair by the Sunday closing rule.

Mrs. John Arendt, Jersey City, N. J., advertises her 2-months-old boy for sale to the highest bidder.

Chicago is to have the largest hotel in the world. It will cost $10,000,000, have 22 stories high, and dwarf in size and magnificence any structure of the kind ever erected.

"I am the Naiad of this cascade," said a pretty French girl, perfectly nude, as she stood up in the basin of a Paris fountain. Passersby on the Bois de Boulogne, who saw her head rising on the water had gathered around and the crowd attracted police attention. The Naiad refused to come out and an officer jumped in after her. Then she haughtily arose with the above remark. An overcoat was placed on her and she was taken to the police station. She gave her name as one of a family, and had suddenly lost her reason.

Adam Vierling, 48, married, living in Milwaukee, Wis., read so many advertisements relating to startling fortunes waiting for kind, affectionate men to protect orphan girls and heiresses left all stark alone in the world with $50,000 or so and a yearning for a loving husband, that he ran away from home the other day in search of some of the mythical heiresses.

Admiral Walker and other members of the Isthmian canal commission, who arrived at New York Wednesday from Panama, resumed their duties at Washington. The work in the Culebra section will receive the immediate attention of the commission.

Neglect of congress to appropriate money to pay the salary of a general purchasing agent of the postoffice department, after creating the position, has caused W. E. Cochran, the appointee, to work several months for nothing. At present Mr. Cochran is absent from Washington, and as congress appointed no deputy, as well as no salary, Postmaster General Wynne is puzzled what to do.

President Roosevelt has removed from office Robert S. Rodie, supervising inspector of the steamboat inspection service at New York, in accordance with his decision on the Slocum report.

BERRIEN'S TAXES.

The Supervisors Throw a Challenge at the State Commission.

By refusing to act upon a communication of the state tax commission to the effect that Berrien county has under assessed more than $11,000,000, the board of supervisors threw down a challenge of that body which may be returned with teeth resulting in open warfare. Members of the board say that the commission do not know what they are talking about when they say this county is under assessed, and they declare that they do not intend to be dictated to by any tax commission.

By the report of the committee on equalization, adopted this morning, the assessed valuation of the county is placed at $25,677,090, an increase of $900,100 over 1903. The tax commission would have the assessed valuation over $36,499,000.

The public stands back of the board in their action.

SAFE CRACKERS.

Work Hubbardston and Escape in Stolen Rig.

Safe crackers invaded Hubbardston Thursday morning between 1 and 2 o'clock and terrorized the inhabitants. They first tried to get into the store of John W. Cowman, but failed. They then went to the saloon of James Soutiere, drilled the safe and dynamited it, blowing the doors and cash loose. They got only $3 in money, Mrs. Sommer's wedding ring and a few trinkets.

Entering Grill's store, they had the safe drilled and ready for the charge when they were discovered by Dennis Henley, who was aroused by the explosion at Sommer's place. The trio then went to the barn of Dr. Cook, where they stole his horse and buggy and escaped. The leader of the bandits was a tall, smooth-faced, well-dressed man, who carried a dark-colored grip and had the appearance of refinement. One pal was a whiskered, short old man, of 60, and the third was a boy of 19. They were seen Wednesday walking from Pewamo to Hubbardston.

Two Falls.

Mrs. Margaret Casey, aged 86 years, fell down an elevator shaft at St. Joseph's hospital in Houghton and received injuries from which she died within 10 minutes. One of the doctors tried to intercept the fall by catching at Mrs. Casey's shawl, but a pin at the neck gave way, and the unfortunate woman's body landed in the bottom.

As the result of a 200-foot fall through a chute in No. 2 shaft of the Quincy mine, an unknown man lies at the Calumet hospital, Alamos, between life and death. His escape from instant death was miraculous.

War of Clubs.

Since the crusade started in Kalamazoo by the women's clubs of the city against high school fraternities, the members of the fraternities have come back by announcing "everlasting and unending war on women's clubs." Pronouncing them as "injurious to the home and a general detriment to the public welfare." How far the boys will carry their war is not known, but instead of jesting they seem to be very much in earnest.

Lake Orders Sent.

Three times lately "fake" train orders have been sent from the Michigan Central office in Standish, it is said, without the knowledge of the operator, which, if followed, might have caused serious loss and loss of life on the Mackinac division. The company has employed a detective on the assumption that the orders are the work of somebody having a grudge against either the company or the Standish operator.

The Michigan Building.

If the movement inaugurated by the State Agricultural society of Michigan is successful, the Michigan building at the World's fair will be moved after the close of the exposition to Detroit. The idea of the State Agricultural society is to have the pavilion taken to Detroit and there erected as one of the buildings of the Michigan state fair. It is probable that it will be used as the administration building, the pavilion being well adapted for that purpose. It cost $20,000.

Tired of Life.

While eating dinner with her husband at a restaurant, Mrs. Henriette Pauels, of Grand Rapids, mysteriously disappeared from the table, and her body was found in Grand River. She had been ill for some time with a nervous trouble, and she left a note saying that the future held out no prospect of better health for her. Mrs. Pauels had been a teacher in the public schools of the city for a number of years, and had served the Fifth Reformed church as organist for 15 years.

The new $100,000 court house, which has been in the course of construction in Mason for two years, is now the property of Ingham county.

The Mecosta county normal, located in Big Rapids, has the largest enrollment of any normal in the state, according to Delos Fall, state superintendent of public instruction.

The sailing station of Williams Bros. & Co., at Wayland, has closed after receiving 2,000,000 bushels of peaches. The average for the farmers on this product has been over $100 per acre.

Mrs. Eliza Sturgis, of Argentine, Genesee county, has taken out a deer license preparatory to starting for the northern part of the state. Her husband also secured a license, and they will be accompanied on their hunting trip by two other women.

Geo. F. Harrison died at the asylum in Kalamazoo, Thursday, after having been confined 38 years in the institution. When the civil war broke out, he was a prosperous physician in Detroit, and entered the Fourteenth U. S. Infantry as a surgeon. After two years of service his health broke down and his mind failed him. He was 65 years old.

The second death from lockjaw in this city, within two weeks, occurred here on Thursday, the victim being George Wellman, 14 years old. He was sick over a week, the cause being an injury received in his hand from the discharge of a toy pistol.

Miss Marion Emery, of Quincy, who was voted the handsomest and most popular young lady in Branch county at the summer street carnival, has gone to the St. Louis exposition. The happy young girl took with her a well-filled purse presented by the carnival management, and the freedom of the fair grounds has been extended her by the exposition officials.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

APPALLING SLAUGHTER.

Over 60,000 Fall—The Russians Losing a Large Portion of the Number.

Mukden, October 17.—6:51 p. m.—Yesterday the Russians were not only successful on their right, but carried out some brilliant movements on the left, where they assumed an energetic offensive against the Japanese position at Soukhetung, southeast of Hun pass. Soukhetung is on the high road which runs to Bensiaupuze, joining the Mandarin road at Yentai, and the Hun river intersects it. It is a mile north of Hun pass, which is four miles north of Shakhe.

The Petrovsky, Nerchinsk and Wladimirand regiments stormed the Japanese trenches at Soukhetung and carried them after desperate resistance, capturing ten guns. The Japanese losses were enormous.

Tokio, October 17.—There is a strong appeal for peace in the appalling tragedy which is now under enactment in Manchuria. Both armies have fought ferociously for a week and desperate fighting still continues.

The preliminary reports indicate that about 60,000 men of both sides have been either killed or wounded, the large portion of them being Russians, since the armies of the two belligerents closed in combat.

Even the Japanese, to whom the great victory is of enormous importance, seem to be shocked by the slaughter of their enemies. A prominent Japanese said to the Associated Press correspondent:

"We have won a sweeping and decisive victory which may prove to be the salvation of our country's existence, but regret keenly our own losses and the terrible slaughter which our forces have inflicted on the enemy. We regret still more the necessity which forced us to engage in this war."

The Slaughter Continues.

Tokio, October 18.—3:30 p. m.—The Russians fiercely assailed Gen. Oku and attacked Gens. Nodzu and Kuroki on Monday night, but were everywhere repulsed with heavy losses.

Tokio, October 18.—1 p. m.—The Russians enveloped Gen. Yanada's column on Sunday, October 16 and captured 14 guns. The Russians are now concentrating in front of the left army under Gen. Oku and the center army under Gen. Kuroki and another great battle is expected.

This is the tenth day of the battle, during nearly all of which time fighting has been continuous.

St. Petersburg, October 18.—The general staff has received the following dispatch from Gen. Sakharoff, dated today:

The Russians repulsed a Japanese attack on their right wing during the night of October 17 and seized the village of Shalandtzy, on the bank of the Shakhe river and east of Shakhe. The enemy strongly bombarded and captured the village, but did not advance to the attack on Lone Tree hill, now called Putiloff hill.

The work of burying the dead proceeded all night long. Military honors were paid the Japanese dead.

A considerable concentration of the enemy's troops has been observed against our center. There was no fighting yesterday on our left flank.

Mukden, October 18—5:30 a. m.—It rained during the night, but the roar of the artillery did not cease for a moment. The day broke cold and with a cutting wind. The roads have been ruined by the rain.

No Peace Overtures.

An announcement from Washington saying that the administration believed the time for mediation in the war was approaching has created a very favorable impression in Russian government circles at St. Petersburg, where there is an inclination to associate it with the interview of the Associated Press with a diplomat at Tokio suggesting the propriety of renewing the efforts in behalf of the restoration of peace.

The fact of peace, it is asserted here, could hardly come more inopportunely, with the Japanese in the full flush of victory. It has aroused only resentment and anger, and Eugene Semitoff, Russian secretary of legation at Tokio, would actually attempt to open the question at this time his mouth would meet with a rebuff.

Used a Pocketknife.

Having forgotten his pocket instrument case in his haste to respond to a call in the country, Dr. E. E. Morgan, of Fort Wayne, Ind., was compelled to use a pocketknife in performing a dangerous operation, not having time, on account of the pressing condition to send after proper instruments, and there is a strong probability that the patient, who is Mrs. Clarence Rhoades, of Alboit township, will recover.

Princess Forbidden.

It is reported that the former princess of Saxony is engaged to the new King Frederick of Saxony, from whom she was divorced after her flight with a French tutor named Giron, asking permission to marry Prince Nicholas of Greece and see her children. The king, it is added, caused a refusal to be telegraphed to her.

CONDENSED.

John Alexander Dowie is preparing to begin work on the new Zion City tabernacle, which, it is said, can accommodate 16,000 persons. Ground will be broken November 1. The construction will provide employment for all the men in Zion City not working in the factories.

Insane from drinking tea and looking at yellow streaks in the wall paper, Mrs. Anna Fitch, of St. Paul, Minn., was committed to the Rochester asylum for the unsound. The same woman, who was injured in a lamp explosion some years ago, constantly feared the yellow wall paper would catch fire.

The hop harvest has begun on the early varieties, Concords, Wordens and Delawares will require a week more. The crop will not be large, owing to the spring frosts and rains, but the quality is good. Probably from 700 to 900 carloads will be shipped from the grape belt.

Urban Population Grows.

Half a century ago little more than one-half of the population of England lived in towns. To-day the rural population is only one-fifth of the whole.

Ride Far to College.

A number of boys ride many miles every day on their donkeys to attend the Gordon college at Khartoum.

Costly Staircase at Glasgow.

The famous marble staircase of the Glasgow municipal buildings cost $150,000.

GREAT SLAUGHTER.

Thirty Thousand Russians Killed and Wounded Last Week.

Succeeding reports increase the extent of the Russian slaughter in the desperate battle that has raged for the past week. Gen Kuroki has reported that his army alone has buried 4,500 Russian dead. The reports of Gen. Nodzu and Oku are incomplete, but everything indicates that Field Marshal Oyama's estimate of the Russian loss at 30,000 men will fall far below the actual mark. A report dealing with the Russian losses received during Saturday night from the Japanese field headquarters, says:

"Bodies left near Bensilin on the left bank of the Taitse river, 500; in front of our Bensihu detachment, 1,500; at Tallen, 300; near Tumentsu, 200; before the right column, 200; near Kloukiakou and north of Tumentsu, 1,200; near Chienlao, 300; north of Panlassan and near Wumingsu, 150; before the left column near Shaotakou and northward, 300. Total, 4,500. The number left in other places has not been counted yet, but it is large. The enemy's loss in this direction must exceed 20,000. Among the trophies reported captured are 200 shells, 100 ammunition wagons and much uncounted munitions. The enemy's losses in the direction of the center and left armies is under investigation. Field Marshal Oyama's triumphant troops have driven the Russians north to a line along the Sha (Sahke) river. They are vigorously pressing the pursuit and probably will inflict further severe damage on Kuropatkin's forces.

The feeling in St. Petersburg is one of extreme gloom and depression. The lack of official news, the unabated checking of Gen. Kuropatkin's aggressive move and the enormous Russian losses in men and guns, compared with the optimistic reports from Tokio, all combine to prepare the public for anything short of a total rout of the Russians. Nevertheless, the reports of the newspaper correspondents at the front, while admitting the heavy losses of Russian troops and their retreat beyond Shakhe, describe the soldiers as fighting with undiminished ardor.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Bryn Mawr students (girls) have started a co-operative store to aid the college building fund.

Rather than be evicted and sent to the poor house, Mrs. Catherine Walsh, an aged widow of New York, committed suicide.

Calvinistic Methodist Welsh churches of Ohio and Pennsylvania have decided to recognize no grounds for divorce except unfaithfulness.

Mrs. G. B. Brooks, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., has begun suit to recover $10,000 loaned to her husband before he deserted her. They were married two weeks ago. She also asks divorce.

Thomas Bell, of Jersey City, N. J., sold his 4-year-old daughter to Mrs. Rose McDermott, of Brooklyn. Mrs. Bell has begun suit to recover the child, saying she values it at over $1,000,000.

The grand jury at Lexington, Ky., has reported that it has been unable to find any evidence to connect James J. Mulligan with the attempted poisoning of his father, Judge James H. Mulligan and family.

World's fair attendance last week, 939,774. The seventh $500,000 payment on the $4,000,000 United States loan has been made, which together with percentage payments, reduces the indebtedness to $691,850 45.

Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador to the United States, will be guarded by U. S. secret service men as long as the Russo-Japanese war is in progress. The guard was first given him last week, after threats had been made against his life.

Code of a Japanese sword, which they found hanging on the wall, murderers hacked Larkin Hall, a Boston milliner, to death in his rooms. The police have arrested Fred Wilson and Eugene Sennott, two U. S. coast artillery privates, and are detaining them pending an investigation.

Incendiaries set fire to a Slav boarding house in Stubenville, O., early Sunday morning, and when the 17 inmates dashed out, they were met with a volley of bullets. Several were slightly wounded. The proprietor says he recently incurred the enmity of a secret society of foreigners.

Mrs. H. G. Russell, of Providence, R. I., by the death of her husband, becomes sole owner of an estate valued at over $20,000,000. She is quite old. At her death a large share of her property will descend to John Nicholas Brown, a grand nephew, now about 6 years old, whose decreased father left him $10,000,000.

John L. Sullivan, ex-pugilist, is accused in St. Louis, Mo., of being a party to the registration of 75 voters' names from rooms over his saloon, when 10 persons would crowd the rooms to suffocation, and must explain to the grand jury as soon as he can be caught.

Seventeen Geisha girls at the World's fair are still resisting all attempts of the Japanese commissioner to send them back home, and have been offered $500 a week for a 40 weeks' tour of the country by a New York theatrical firm, and have accepted. The immigration department has taken a hand and may deport the girls.

"Rosa di Pietro," said Coroner Jackson, of New York city, kindly, "the coroner's jury has found that you killed Michele Rago in defense of your honor and your life, and has exonerated you with a verdict of justifiable homicide. You have my sympathy and you are gladly at liberty to return to your home, but under the law the grand jury must act before you can be set free." There is no doubt as to what the grand jury will do.

Dora Meek, the Centralia, Ill., girl who slept nearly six months during the winter of 1901, is dead, as the result of a general decline, following an attack of measles last March.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Darling is trying to arrange for a visit in November to the Pacific coast.

Andrew Carnegie has given $40,000 to Islington, one of the London suburbs, to be used in the erection of two libraries.

Vice President Ramon Corral, who is to represent President Diaz at the St. Louis exposition, has left Mexico City for St. Louis.

Brig. Gen. William Scott Worth, U. S. A., retired, is critically ill at the home of his nephew, Dr. John T. Sprague, at Clifton, States island.

MAN HUNT.

Donahue is in the Wilderness of Berrien County.

It is reported that Edward Donahue, charged with the murder of A. M. Northrup of Benton Harbor, and who is being hunted like a wild beast by a sheriff's posse, has reached the Thunder Knob district in the northern part of Berrien county. This is a very wild section of country and it is likely that Donahue will hold out against his pursuers until starvation drives him to surrender. Farmers in Van Buren county reports having seen Donahue along a roadside, hatless and with his clothes torn to shreds by the underbrush. They say he struggled through. He said the man appeared exhausted and fled at the farmer's approach. The sheriff realizes that he is dealing with a man who will sell his life as dearly as possible, and will not press Donahue too closely. Donahue lived in Grand Rapids several years ago, but was not known as a bad man. At Jackson, where he lived some 12 years ago, however, he had a bad reputation. He is wanted by the officials of Michigan City, Ind., prison for violating his parole.

Mrs. G. Mitts, Cincinnati, is suing J. B. Alexander for $15,000 for stealing a kiss.

Rev. John Harrison and wife have reached Milburn, N. J., after a tour of 3,500 miles in an open carriage.

Lee Snyder, Indianapolis, shot a burglar, who was breaking into a restaurant. The robber was his brother, Urban Snyder.

James Hurrel disappeared from Brooklyn, N. Y., 24 years ago. He just written his aged parents from Portuguese East Africa that he is coining home rich to pay off the mortgage on the old homestead, etc.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, $4 75@5; good to choice steers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $3 75@4 25; grass steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $3@3 60; do, 800 to 900 lbs, $2 50@2 85; choice fat cows, $2 75@3 15; good fat cows, $2@2 40; common cows, $1 50@2 15; canners, $1@1 50; choice heavy bulls, $2 75@3 25; fair to good bologna bulls, $2 25@2 65; stock bulls, $1 75@2 25; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 25; fair to good feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $2 50@3; choice stockers, 500 to 700 lbs, $2 50@2 75; stock heifers, $1 75@2 25; milkers, large, young, medium age, $30@50; common milkers, $20@30.

Milch cows and springers—Steady at $25@50.

Veal calves—Market steady at last week's opening prices; best grades, $6 50@7; others, $4@6.

Hogs—Mixed butchers, $5 50@5 40; pigs, $5@5 10; light yorkers, $5 10@5 25; roughs, $4 50@4 75; stags one-third off.

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

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5 80@6 80; poor to medium, $3 50@5 60; stockers and feeders, $2 75@4 25; cows, $1 50@4 20; heifers, $2@5; canners, $1 80@2 40; bulls, $2 25@4 25; calves, $3@7; western steers, $3@4 75.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5 15@5 30; good to choice heavy, $5 25@5 40; rough heavy, $5@5 35; light, $5 15@5 40; bulk of sales, $5 40@5 30.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $4 50@4 25; fair to choice mixed, $3 25@3 75; native lambs, $3 25@5 40.

East Buffalo.—Best export steers, $5.50@5.85; best 1,200 to 1,350 shipping steers, $5@5 40; best 1,100 to 1,150 butcher steers, $4.50@4.75; fair to good, $4@4.25; best fat cows, $3@3.25; trimmers, $1@1.50; best fat heifers, $3.50@4; best feeding steers, $2.60@2.85; common stock heifers, $2@2 25; best yearling steers, $3.25@3.50; best yearling steers, $2.10@2.35; common stockers, $2@2.15; common stock steers, $2.25@2.50; best fat bulls, $2.50@3; bologna, $2.25@2.75; little stock bulls, $2.75@3; best fat cows, a good demand for top grade fresh cows and springers and they sold $2@3 a head higher than last week; common and medium grades held sold about steady; good to extra, $40@50; medium and family, $30@40; common, $15@22. Calves—Best, $7.50@8; fair to good, $5.50@6.50; heavy, $3@4.

Hogs—Yorkers, $5.45@5.55; medium and heavy, $5.50@5.65; the market closed weak on common grades; good many unsold.

Sheep—Choice native lambs sold generally on the basis of $5.90@6, with a few selected ewes up to $6.10; Canada lambs, $6 top, mainly $5.90@6; at $5.75@5.90; best native lambs, $5.75@6; fair to good, $5.60@5.75; culls and common, $4.75@5; mixed sheep, $3.75@4; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; culls and bucks, $2.50@3; yearlings, $4.25@4.90.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, $1 18; No. 1 red, spot, $1 19 bid; December, 5,000 bu at $1 18, 10,000 bu at $1 17½, 10,000 bu at $1 17½, 5,000 bu at $1 19, 5,000 bu at $1 18½, 5,000 bu at $1 18½; May, 5,000 bu at $1 19, 5,000 bu at $1 18½, 5,000 bu at $1 18½; No. 2 red, $1 12 per bu.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 44c; No. 3 yellow, 57c bid.

Oats—No. 3 white, spot, 1 car at 22½c; December, nominal at 32½c per bu.

Rye—No. 2, 70c asked; No. 3, 69c bid.

Beans—Spot, October and November, all nominal at $1 70 per bu.

Chicago—Wheat—No. 2 spring, $1 18@1 16; No. 3, $1 06@1 12½; No. 2 red, $1 14@1 15.

Corn—No. 2, 53c; No. 2 yellow, 55c.

Oats—No. 2, 27½c; No. 3 white, 31½@31¾c; No. 3 white, 29¾@32c.

Rye—No. 2, 67c.

Barley—Good feeding, 36c; fair to choice malting, 39@43c.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending Oct. 22.

LYCEUM THEATRE—"Our New Minister." Matinees Wed. and Sat. Eve. 15c, 25c, 50c.

LAFAYETTE THEATRE—"Peaceful Valley." Prices, 10c, 20c, 30c. Matinees: Wed. Monday, Wednesday, Saturday; best seats 25c.

WHITNEY THEATRE.—"Driven From Home." Prices, 10c, 25c, 50c. Matinees: Wed. Sat.

TEMPLE THEATRE AND WONDERLAND—Afternoons 10c, 15c, 25c. Evenings, 15c, 25c, 50c.

ANNEX THEATRE—Vaudeville—Afternoons 15, 25, and 50c. Evenings, 25, 35, 50 and 75.

STEAMERS LEAVING DETROIT.

Standard Time.

WHITE STAR LINE—Foot of Griswold st; Boats for Port Huron and way ports daily at 8:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m. Sundays at 8:30 a. m. only.

Leave Port Huron for Detroit 6:30 a. m.; 3:45 p. m.

DETROIT AND CLEVELAND NAV. CO; Foot of Wayne Street; for Buffalo daily at 4:30 p. m.

DETROIT & CLEVELAND NAV. CO; Foot Wayne St.; for Cleveland, daily at 7:30 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. For Mackinac, Monday and Saturday 5:00 p. m. Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a. m.

Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Warren of Portland, Mich., will celebrate their golden wedding Oct. 5. They are 74 and 72 years old respectively, and have three children.

New Residence Burns.

The new residence of F. C. Marsette of Madison was destroyed by fire. Loss, $4,000.

City is Debt Free.

Holly is now out of debt, and proposes to do some paving next summer.

Pastor is to Move.

Rev. W. T. Cole of Buchanan has accepted a call to the pulpit of the Presbyterian church at Brighton, to succeed E. H. Bradfield, who resigned.

Anxious to Hunt Deer.

Sportsmen around Vernon are waiting for the deer season to open. A wild deer has been seen in the vicinity of the village.

Light Plant Nears Completion.

Work is being pushed on the new electric lighting plant at St. Ignace.