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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, OCT. 28.

The peace congress means well, but that war in the East will go on a while yet.

Another railroad engineer took a nap and twenty-nine passengers went into death's sleep.

For the life of him Commander Peary can't see why people take so much interest in politics.

Speaking of the age-retirement clause, most men cease to be the head of the family after 35.

The winning of the championship by the Bostons was a vegetarian victory. Beans defeated tenderloin.

If King Lear had ever heard of Harry Lehr the probability is that he would have been even more despondent.

A Chicago man committed suicide while smoking a pipe. He is not the only man who has smoked himself to death.

Mont Pelee does not mean to let any little old second-class volcano like Vesuvius have a monopoly on public attention.

A man can drink whisky or he can run an automobile, but he cannot successfully and safely combine these operations.

He is the first archbishop of Canterbury who has crossed the ocean in 1,300 years. The unlucky number shows naughts.

Mont Pelee has broken loose again. Pelee is like the average human being. Having had a taste of notoriety, she can't keep still.

What puzzles Russell Sage is how a man like J. Pierpont Morgan can ever save up enough to justify him in going on a vacation.

Spain is to have no more Sunday bull-fights. Owing to the activity of the meat trust, Spain probably finds it necessary to save her bulls.

A New York woman resents her husband's insinuation that she can't play a good game of poker. The only game a woman can't play is "whist!"

Another fact which has received practical demonstration is that automobiles can go much faster than any community ever will care to let them go.

It used to be the coachman, but now it is the chauffeur with whom the impressionable daughter of the house is falling in love. She must have wheels.

Perhaps those corporations that have decided not to employ men who have reached the age of 40 are figuring on the increased wear of the strenuous life.

The Pennsylvania railroad system has set the age-limit of employment at 35, and the steel trust has made it 40. J. Pierpont Morgan, however, will continue to hold his job.

Bow legs are to be barred from the American navy. Why should such a rule be put into effect? This country doesn't keep a navy for the purpose of stopping pigs in alleys.

Sir William Ramsey does not believe in examinations as a test of college students' work. Sir William has the almost unanimous support of the undergraduates on this issue.

Roasted chestnuts, a scientific man says, are an antidote for liquor, and will relieve the craving for alcohol. But who can tell how often a chestnut has driven a man to drink?

Sully, the former cotton king, owes over $100,000 for jewelry that he bought when he thought he never could lose. His vanity seems to have spread out in more than one direction.

The woman who wants a divorce because her husband growls at her should be compelled to give the real reason. As a rule a woman does not mind hubby's growling so long as he pays the bills.

Mothers, says Baroness von Suttner of Austria, should teach their sons that war is unnecessary. But it is hard to keep Johnny out of the company of those rough boys on the other side of the street.

Ninety-five rich men are going to have a town of their own near Cleveland and permit only millionaires to live in it. They will need some vigorous watchmen to keep people from throwing stones across the line.

William Ziegler, the Arctic exploration enthusiast of Brooklyn, who was badly shaken up in a carriage accident, has discovered that a man does not need to go up into the neighborhood of the north pole to be in personal danger.

New York is to have a ten-story public school building which will hold from 7,500 to 8,000 pupils. It is, of course, to be located in one of the poorest parts of the city. They don't need school buildings of that kind in the more fashionable quarters.

The National Bee Keepers' Association offers $1,000 to any one who can demonstrate that honeycomb is artificially manufactured. Still, if this has never been done, you might dispose of the formula privately to a syndicate for even a larger sum than this.

Mrs. Genevieve Chandler Phipps was granted a divorce in nine minutes and twenty seconds at Denver. Probably this time could have been shaved a little in the South Dakota courts if it was a speed record Mrs. Phipps sought.

THE MICHIGAN NEWS

Showing What's Doing In All Sections of the State

DESERTER SHOT.

Run to Escape—Guard Called Halt! Then Shot.

Frederick C. Matthews, a raw recruit, held as a prisoner at Fort Wayne for desertion, it is believed by design, offered himself as a target for his guard and was shot dead. He had tried to hang himself on Friday.

Guard Frank J. Hilla took a squad of prisoners, according to custom, to a wood pile, in the eastern portion of the grounds, about 8 o'clock Monday forenoon, to cut some wood. Before reaching the wood pile and about ten rods from the eastern fence which separates the reservation from the grounds of the Edison Illuminating Co., Matthews broke away from the guard and made for the high board fence. Hilla called to the prisoner to halt, but Matthews paid no attention to the order, although he well understood that it would be the guard's next duty to shoot him. He selected a place to escape where there was no obstruction to dodge behind.

Either the prisoner's foot slipped or else he purposely faltered to afford the guard a better aim. Hilla again called upon him to stop, and knelt to the ground for a more careful aim. Matthews kept on. Then Hilla fired and Matthews fell forward on his face.

The guard found Matthews breathing heavily, and on turning him over saw blood running from him in a stream. The guard had been armed with a mob rifle, the cartridges of which contain several projectiles. Two of these had taken effect and one passed clean through him.

"You got me all right," said the wounded man feebly to the trembling and agitated guard, who held up the head of the dying man.

He was carried promptly to the hospital, but an examination showed that he had been fatally injured. Major Ganby, in charge of the hospital, found that one of the bullets had gone through the liver, and that this wound alone would have caused death.

As the surgeons worked over him Matthews exclaimed:

"O, forgive me, mother! I've done a lot of things that I ought not to have done; forgive me!"

Rousing up and speaking to the surgeon, Matthews said earnestly.

"Don't blame the sentry. Don't blame him, don't blame him. He gave me a fair show."

Twenty minutes after he was shot he died.

After the Storm.

Ernest Cook, a farmer of Mattawan, has been very persistent in wooing his divorced wife, who was separated from him five years ago, the divorce being granted in Van Buren county, the wife's charge being extreme cruelty. Both parties to the divorce were in England at the time the divorce was granted. Mr. Cook returned to Chicago, where he engaged in the lumber business, but found life unendurable without his wife. He has made several trips to England during the five years to try and induce her to marry him again, and the last one, which he made in June, was successful. Mrs. Cook, accompanied by her parents, has arrived from Bristol, England, and the marriage will take place in Kalamazoo.

Not Properly Ventilated.

The St. Clair Tunnel company is held responsible by Coroner Logie's jury in Sarnia for the death of the six trainmen in the recent tunnel disaster. The verdict says: "If the company had better equipment for ventilation, it would, we believe, in a measure have prevented the accidents that have occurred since the opening of the tunnel for traffic, and your jury strongly urge that the railroad commission appointed by the government investigate what means the St. Clair Tunnel Co. should adopt to prevent loss of life in the future."

Patients in Tents.

Battle Creek's pesthouse has been overcrowded and patients with the loathsome disease are now placed in tents. This has stirred up the public after the agitation for a new pesthouse had about died away. Smallpox is a disease requiring warmth, and a tent during October weather is not warm, by any means. There have been over 30 cases of the disease within the last year, without awakening the city fully to the needs of the pesthouse.

Spanish War Claim.

Deputy Attorney General Chase and Assistant Attorney General Wykes have returned from Washington where they were successful in presenting the claims of Michigan for the care of its soldiers in the Spanish war before the war department. Of the $56,000 claimed, $46,000 was allowed, and an appeal to the comptroller of the war department was taken toward securing the remainder. All these claims were once rejected.

Died in Dentist's Chair.

As the result of a shock from having 12 teeth extracted shortly, Miss Matilda Bensen, aged 24 years, of Escanaba, died in the office of Dr. A. S. Winn, who had administered chloroform to extract the teeth. The dentist administered chloroform alone and was unable to revive his patient at the proper time and two other physicians were called, but their efforts were of no avail.

Bull Sold for $1,500.

Hengaveld de Kol, a Holstein-Friesien bull, bred on the Eastern Michigan asylum farm in Pontiac, has been sold to A. A. Cortelyou, of Neshanic, N. J., for $1,500, the highest price ever paid for a Michigan bred bull.

Ithaca's splendid new municipal electric lighting plant will be ready for operation the early part of December.

The state board of health warns the public to boil drinking water during October as this month is prolific of typhoid fever.

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 Maude Fenner, 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.

MISSING WOMAN.

Prominent Battle Creek Woman Disappears Mysteriously.

Mrs. Henry Brown, one of the best known rural residents of Battle Creek locality, is missing and her prominence is making the case rather interesting. Mrs. Brown, whose home is three miles west of the city, disappeared three weeks ago and Sheriff Furner and his deputies have been unable to get the slighest clue. The woman is a sister of Miss Agnes Eberstein, whose death at Saginaw sent Dr. Bennett to prison for manslaughter, and comes from a pioneer family. One sister is Miss Lillian Eberstein, former principal of No. 8 school in the city, and a brother is George Eberstein, of the firm of Eberstein & Corrigan, furnace men.

Many members of the family believe the woman is dead, either from accident, shock or foul play. The air of mystery has prevailed for nearly a month, although the matter was not made public until last night.

Lived a Century.

Dr. Joseph Rich, born in Hungary Sept. 18, 1804, died at his home in Saginaw on Sunday, conscious to the last. He was educated in the best European schools, and practiced his profession in Europe for 24 years, and in 1882 came to the United States. After a short stay in Detroit he came to Saginaw and has since lived here. He practiced his profession for the love of it and as a means of doing good, his benevolences being many.

On Sept. 18 he celebrated his 100th anniversary, surrounded by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all the descendants living in this country being present. There are surviving in this country the following children, all residents of Saginaw: Isaac, Adolph, Max, Martin, Julia, Hannah and Fannie Rich.

Fatal Target Practice.

Target practice got in some of its work near Ionia on Sunday that resulted in the instant death of Fred Bird, 19 years of age. Bird, with some companions, was walking along the banks of Grand river east of town, and a little farther east a party of young men were shooting at a target, the charge of one of the guns going wide of the mark, struck young Bird fully in the chest, killing him instantly. An investigation will be made, but the sheriff is satisfied the shooting was accidental, and will make no arrests. The young man was a brother of Calvin Bird, who has been on trial lately for a shooting affair.

Shower of Misfortune.

George Clark, a well-to-do farmer north of Lake Odessa village, lost his barn by fire, together with crops and grain and most of his farm machinery and harness. Clark is suffering from a badly sprained ankle received last week by falling from an apple tree, and was unable to get out of the house to direct the fight against the flames. The loss comes hard to him, as he is in debt considerable on some new property that he had recently purchased. The fire was caused by a spark from a thrashing engine. Loss $3,000.

Men Are Needed.

It will be a few weeks before logging operations in the upper peninsula woods are in full swing and the work of harvesting the winter crop of logs is under way. Considerable work is being done, however, preparing for the season. Although there will not be such a scarcity of men as was experienced last season, woodsmen are not plentiful. Ferguson Bros., of Ishpeming, are preparing to start two more camps and want 150 men.

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

A clock for turning on the current at electrocutions is being made by a Grand Rapids firm.

Schoolcraft county is agitating the organization of an agricultural society to hold a fair next fall.

The Lansing sugar factory has started on a 60-day campaign. It will employ 350 men on its two shifts.

The bones of a mastodon have been found in Sumpter township, Wayne county, by W. J. Gallaway, a farmer.

The business men of Dowagiac are arranging for a jubilee celebration over the event of Dowagiac's first street paving.

A general store at Cobmoosa was entered the other night and $40 in cash taken, besides articles of clothing and things from the stock.

Several damage suits are contemplated against the St. Clair Tunnel Co. by the families of the men killed or injured in the recent tunnel horror.

Mrs. Levi Wagner, of Monroe, narrowly escaped suffocation in the burning of their home. She was sleeping when the firemen went in to rescue her.

Judge Fred J. Russell, of Muskegon, has announced that at the close of his present term he will not be a candidate for renomination. He has held the place for 19 years.

The Baptist state convention adopted resolutions in Port Huron protesting against the running of railroad trains on Sunday, especially against the Sunday excursion trains.

John Verduin, aged 18, while trying to tighten a belt in the Haney school furniture factory, Grand Rapids, was caught in a shaft. He was horribly mangled and died almost instantly.

When the statement of the state tax commission raising the Ingham county valuations was read to the board of supervisors, they would have nothing to do with it. A resolution was adopted condemning the tax commission, and even demanding that it be abolished.

A panic was created in a four-story Muskegon block by the explosion of 17 gallons of gasoline in the rear. There was a rush of black smoke to the upper floors and the fire escapes were black with people, the elevator shaft and stairway being cut off by volumes of smoke. No one was seriously hurt.

The Traverse City canning factory can show over 390,000 cans of corn as a result of its run on that vegetable, which amounts to 750 tons. The cold weather of the early summer and the early frosts this fall combined to cut down the crop about 40 per cent.

William Brusseau, serving a 15-year sentence in Jackson for complicity with Mrs. Mollie Pope in the murder of her husband in Detroit, has applied for a pardon. He admits complicity in the crime, but says he was completely under the influence of the woman and that she used him as a tool. Mrs. Pope is serving a life sentence in the Detroit house of correction.

A ghastly find was made by Edward King, while duck hunting on the shore of Lake Michigan, near Muskegon—the remains of a man so badly decomposed as to prevent identification.

The Calhoun supervisors passed a resolution requesting the next legislature to pass a law whereby cities under fourth-class charters may pay the justice a salary and do away with all fees.

The Genesee county board of supervisors have increased the valuation of real property $3,790,693, and personal $377,953, making a total increase of $4,123,546. The total valuation is now $31,494,654.

Hereafter tramps who seek refuge in Ingham county jail will be set to cracking stone. This stone will be sold for highway purposes. Those who refuse to work will be put on bread and water diet.

Officers of the Cincinnati, Dayton & Fort Wayne railroad paid a recent visit to Saugatuck and looked over the ground between that place and South Haven with a view to putting in an electric road.

It cost Branch county $8,607 to take care of its poor the past year, of which $4,175 was expended for temporary relief outside the poor farm and $4,431.26 for support of those at the county poor farm.

The 6-year-old son of John Molenkamp, of Grand Rapids, fell from his father's wagon as it turned into an alley at his home, and his neck was broken. The father in his grief tried to commit suicide.

Mrs. E. A. Parker, aged 75, of Grass Lake, whose hip was fractured by a fall caused by the antics of a pet dog, died from the injuries she received. She lived four days and was an intense sufferer during all that time.

Patrolman Davis caught Dan Garner and Sam Smith carrying a stove home late last night and took them into custody on suspicion. Later it developed that the stove had been taken out of a Grand Trunk section car.

Fireman Forester, of the ill-fated train which broke in two in St. Clair tunnel 10 days ago, causing the loss of six lives, is still at the hospital at Sarnia, and his mind is giving continual evidence of being completely shattered.

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.

John S. Hunter, residing on a farm near Montrose village, fell from the roof of a woodshed on which he was at work and his neck was broken, causing death in a few minutes. He was 51 years of age and leaves a widow and two grown children.

Smallpox has broken out in the family of John Van Dyke, Sr. Father, mother and six children are down with the disease. The Van Dykes live just north of Holland. Another large family in the city has been quarantined, as they have symptoms of the disease.

The reported scarcity of partridges in some localities this fall may be laid to the destructive fox. The foxes are thriving in the upper counties, and are killing off the rabbits as well as the game birds. One red fox will kill more game in a year than will a dozen hunters.

Burglars went through the stores of H. B. McLaughlin, P. G. Kirkham and A. G. Holmes, of Vernon, securing only a small amount of money, most of their spoils consisting of silver five-cent pieces, a collection of nearly 200 of these coins being stolen from Kirkham.

Jerry Wheelock, of Caledonia township, aged 72, was sentenced to 15 days in the county jail for assault and battery upon George McClellan, aged 69, of Owosso. They quarreled over work on a farm which Wheelock leases from McClellan. Wheelock, who has long white hair and beard, wept when sentenced. He was never arrested before and feels his humiliation.

Nora Johnson, a domestic at the home of Floyd Nevins, three and one-half miles from Alma, was shot and instantly killed by Frank Jameson, employed on the farm. A charge of buckshot entered her neck and almost severed her head. Jameson is held to await the result of the coroner's inquest. He says he did not know the gun was loaded and fired for fun.

Wm. Mason, stepson of Rev. John Mason, of Grace Episcopal church, of Port Huron, was very brave with his revolver in his hand when he went to investigate noises in the lower part of the house. As he entered the hall he asked: "Who's there?" The next moment he was struck in the face and fell sprawling on the floor. He jumped up and dashed out the front door and the burglar fled the other way.

Liveryman David LaBoueff's legs were both broken at the ankles and he was severely cut about the face in a runaway at Harrisville. LaBoueff was returning from Lincoln with C. E. Johnson and F. R. Hunt and was about a mile from here when the horses became frightened. Johnson and Hunt escaped with slight bruises by jumping. LaBoueff stuck to the rig, and, finding it impossible to stop the horses, he also tried to jump and was thrown against a stump.

Since Charles Holmes removed to Flint from Benton Harbor three months ago death has invaded his home three times. While they were getting settled, the mother of Mr. Holmes fell down a cellar stairway and received injuries from which she died in a few hours. A few weeks later the wife was taken sick and died. Friday morning the husband passed away at the Flint hospital, following an operation for obstruction of the bowels. Three orphaned children remain, ranging in age from 10 to 19 years.

The potato and apple crops in Marshall and vicinity this year are record breakers. Potatoes are being sold for 18 cents per bushel, apples for 15 cents and cider is but 5 cents per gallon. The cabbage crop is also a large one, and nearly every family is making saur kraut.

Safe blowers again visited Grand Rapids some time last night. The office of the Breen & Halladay Coal Co., on the outskirts of the city, was entered the safe blown open and $200 taken. The explosion was so terrific that the side of the office building was blown out and the safe thrown upon the sidewalk.

M. Wineberg and his son, accompanied by Tony Stork, all of Three Rivers, started to drive to the sawmill, a few miles from town, where they were employed. By their shouting they caused the team to run away throwing them all out and seriously injuring Wineberg and his son, and killing Stork instantly.

Great excitement prevails in Niles railway circles as the result of a discovery on the part of Michigan Central detectives that 15 of the employe of the company, some of whom are high salaried men, have been banded together in a conspiracy to rob the coal cars in the local yards.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

A Brief Chronicle of All Important Happenings

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS SINK BRITISH FISHING FLEET.

Two of the Crew of One Vessel Decapitated by a Shot—Apology Demanded.

A fleet of British fishing boats were fired on shortly after midnight Friday by the Russian Pacific squadron about two hundred miles off Spurn Head. The steam trawler Crane was sunk and the decapitated bodies of her skipper and mate were brought to Hull. Two other boats of the fleet arrived at Hull badly damaged by shots. It is feared one more was lost with all hands.

The British government sent urgent notes of protest to the Russian government on the subject of the Russian attack on the British fishing fleet in the North sea through both Ambassador Hardinge and the Russian ambassador in London.

Foreign Secretary Lansdowne, after gathering the latest details known at the foreign office, proceeded to Buckingham palace, where he had a lengthy interview with King Edward. The king later telegraphed a message of sympathy to the mayor of Hull.

Special stress in Lord Lansdowne's protest is laid on the callousness displayed by the Russians in not going to the assistance of the fishermen. Lord Lansdowne asks that immediate redress shall be made.

Britain Orders Her Fleets to Mobilize.

London, Oct. 24.—The British admirality made preparations today for the immediate mobilizing of the various squadrons of the navy, wherever stationed, as a result of the attack on the Hull fishing fleet.

RIGHTING OF WRONGS.

Panamans Look for It From Secretary Taft's Visit.

The modification of the Hay-Bunau-Varilla canal treaty in several important respects and the negotiation between the Washington and Panama governments of a supplementary commercial treaty granting to Panama important concessions is what the Panamans hope to obtain as a result of Secretary Taft's mission to the isthmus, according to a statement made to the Associated Press by Senor Obaldia, the Panaman minister at Washington.

Senor Obaldia says: "In the action of the president in accrediting to the Panaman government such a distinguished envoy as Secretary Taft, whom the isthmians regard as eminently fair, the Panaman government sees hope of righting a number of wrongs under which it is now suffering."

Revolution Nearer.

A dispatch from Colon says a rumor is current that a large body of armed Colombians has been concentrated near Culebra with the intention of making an attack there on Nov. 3, first anniversary of the secession of Panama from Colombia. The canal zone authorities are investigating the report, though not much importance is attached to the rumor, the origin of which is attributed to malcontents.

American marines will be retained on the isthmus for the present, prepared to meet any emergency.

That the situation on the isthmus is still not all that could be desired was also made known by a personal letter from an official now in Panama, and in view of the ease with which revolutions are started in Central and South America it is the official opinion that the marines should remain there for the present.

New York parties are looking over the Menominee range upper peninsula, and propose to construct an electric road through the region.

Rosa Godz, a pretty Yonkers, N. Y., nurse girl, attired in her wedding gown, was found dying from a fractured skull, in the inclosure which surrounds the new Jerome park reservoir in the Bronx, New York. Andrew Borle, to whom she was to have been married in a week, and the best man, John Tobaczr, are under arrest on suspicion. Borle was found apparently asleep in the reservoir yards.

SORRY FOR IT.

Czar Wires King Edward—The British Demand.

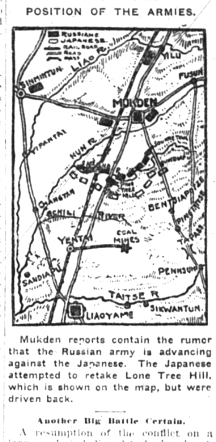
Emperor Nicholas has telegraphed to King Edward, expressing his deep regret at what occurred in the North sea Saturday and his sympathy with the families of the killed and wounded fishermen.

In the note dispatched to St. Petersburg the British government put forward certain definite demands in language which it is understood leaves little opening for any suggestion of compromise. These comprise apologies for the action of the Russian squadron in firing on the British fleet in the North sea Saturday morning and full compensation for the sufferers.

It is further insisted that a searching inquiry shall be instituted with all dispatch and under conditions which will insure that appropriate action shall follow the result of the investigation. In other words, that the responsibility shall be fixed and punishment meted out to the offenders, whoever they may be.

In his interview with Lord Lansdowne this morning, Ambassador Benkendorff expressed in the most earnest and unreserved fashion his personal regret at the attack on the trawlers.

POSITION OF THE ARMIES.



Mukden reports contain the rumor that the Russian army is advancing against the Japanese. The Japanese attempted to retake Lone Tree Hill, which is shown on the map, but were driven back.

Another Big Battle Certain.

A resumption of the conflict on a large scale is believed to be imminent. The two armies are receiving fresh supplies of ammunition. There is an indication of an early renewal of hostilities with the Russians taking the offensive.

The heavy concentration of both Russians and Japanese between the Mandarin road and the railroad makes certain a tremendous collision at this point.

The Chinese population in both the Russian and Japanese spheres of operation is suffering severely, and the correspondents urge that measures be taken to restrict marauding.

Isabel Zangwill declares there are too many Jews in America and will attempt to stem the tide of immigration. He has just arrived at New York, accompanied by his wife, Edith Ayrton, the English authoress, and will deliver several lectures in the interests of the Zionist movement.

Apostle Dowie has pronounced grand opera filthy. "Witness 'Lucretia Borgia,'" said he, in the course of a talk to his followers at Zion City, "It is reeking with filthiness and portrays the most wicked characters. Then there is 'Faust.' Think of it—a man in that play has to act the part of Mephistopheles, the devil. Then there are Faust and Marguerite, both wicked characters. I have never been inside of a playhouse and never felt any inclination to."

SHOWING ADVANCE AND RETREAT OF RUSSIAN ARMY.

Chicago is in the throes of a smallpox epidemic. Twenty-two cases have developed since Saturday.

Mary Scott, 16, Wabash, Ind., killed herself because her grandmother told her to scrub the kitchen floor.

Nan Patterson must remain in jail until she is tried for the murder of Caesar Young in New York, her father having been unable to secure the $20,000 bail.

Mrs. Nellie Furguson, burned to death in a disreputable house in New York, left $10,000 in cash, now claimed by her husband, who had not lived with her for years.

Tripping on a stair landing by the French heel of her slipper, Mrs. Emma Latassa, of New York, fell over a fifth-story balustrade in an apartment house and was instantly killed. Mrs. Osa Gauvey, her companion, who was carried with her, suffered a fractured skull, shoulder and other injuries, and it is believed she will die. Canuta H. Latassa, husband of the dead woman, was arrested, but the police say they believe he is in no way to blame for the accident.

An Appleton, Wis., clergyman is suing a widow for $25 for conducting religious exercises at her husband's funeral.

Artie Smith, Easton, Pa., has entered the hero class by choking to death a bulldog which attempted to bite two pretty girls.

Anthony Potitis, 26, Mahanoy City, Pa., hung himself while drunk. His mother cut him down and thrashed him with a cane until he howled for mercy.

Five members of the Santiago, Cuba, provincial election returning board have been sentenced to 14 years and 8 months' imprisonment for falsifying returns in order to seat several congressmen belonging to the moderate coalition.

The Cuban congress has closed a seven months' session, in which practically nothing was done but wrangle over seats. Nearly all the moderates were finally seated, but the Nationalists usually managed to break the quorum by staying away. A few laws were passed without a quorum and are being contested in the courts.

The distinction of having spanked President Roosevelt belongs to Mrs. Emma Mirchner, of Belleville, a suburb of St. Louis. When 7 years old, little Theodore, who was trespassing on her property, was slapped, chased off and sent home by Mrs. Mirchner.

TO CLERGYMEN'S JUDGMENT.

Remarriage of Divorced Persons to Be Left.

The ministerial association, comprising practically all the Protestant ministers of the Bay Cities, has reached an agreement regarding marriages of divorced persons. All divorcees must present to the minister a certified copy of the decree of the court in their case. It is then left to the judgment of the clergyman as to whether he will perform the marriage ceremony. Nearly all the local ministers are emphatic in their declarations that there are other valid grounds for divorce than adultery and that they would, under proper circumstances, remarry persons who secured separation for some of the other causes, providing they were not the offenders.

Fighting Unions.

An organization of Battle Creek manufacturers, to protect the leading shops from labor union troubles that now threaten, has been formed. F. W. Gage, against whose publishing house the union issued a pamphlet, has been chosen president, and Edward Branson, another publisher, treasurer. J. I. Gibson, president of the Business Men's association, is secretary; B. T. Skinner, of the Advance Thresher Co., vice-president.

Order Duplicated.

The Advance Thrasher Co., of Battle Creek, recently shipped 10 engines and thrashers for Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, for the Drydale Co., of London, and news comes that the boat carrying the shipment went down in a storm, but the Drydale Company had bought the goods at their own shipping risk, and they have cabled to duplicate the order as soon as possible.

An epidemic of black diphtheria threatens to close the schools in the country around Omer.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Extra dry-fed steers and heifers (quotable), $4 50; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $3 75@4 15; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 50; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700 lbs, $2 50@2 75; choice fat cows, $2 75@3; good fat cows, $2 35@2 90; common cows, $1 50@2; canners, $1@1 50; choice heavy bulls, $2 75@3 25; fair to good bolognas bulls, $2 25@2 50; stock bulls, $1 75@2; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 25; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 25; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 25; fair feeding steers, 800 to 700 lbs, $2 50@2 65; fair stockers, 500 to 700 lbs, $1 75@2 15; stock heifers, $2@2 15; milkers, large, young, medium age, $30@50; common milkers, $20@30.

Veal calves—Best, $6 50@7; others, $3 50@6.

Milch cows and springers—Steady; $20@50.

Hogs—Light to good butchers, $4 80@4 90; pigs, light yorkers, $4 70@4 80; roughs, $4 25; stags, 1-3 off.

Sheep—Best lambs, $5 25; fair to good lambs, $4 60@5; light to common lambs, $4@4 50; yearlings, $3 50@4 50; fair to good butcher sheep, $3@3 50; culls and common, $2@2 50.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5 50@7 00; poor to medium, $3 50@5 40; stockers and feeders, $2@4; cows, $2 50@2 45; heifers, $5 25; canners, $1 25@2 25; bulls, $1 75@4 25; calves, $3@6 75; Texas-fed steers, $4 50@6; western steers, $3 25@5.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $4 75@5 35; good to choice heavy, $5 15@5 40; rough heavy, $4 60@5; light $4 75@5 25; bulk of sales, $4 90@5 25.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $3 75@4 50; fair to choice mixed, $3@3 75; native lambs, $3 50@5 85.

East Buffalo.—Best export steers, $5@5.75; shipping steers, $4.25@4.75; good 1,050 to 1,100 pounds butcher steers, $3.50@4; 900 to 1,000 do, $3.25@3.75; best fat cows, $3.25@3.50; fair to good, $2.75@3; trimmers, $1@1.50; best fat heifers, $2.75@3.25; medium heifers, $2.50@2.75; common stock heifers, $2@2.25; best feeding steers, $3.25@3.60; best yearling steers, $2.25@2.50; common stockers, $2@2.25; common stock steers, $2; export bulls, $3.50@3.75; bologna, $2.25@2.50; little stock bulls, $2.50@3; good fresh cows and springers, strong; common and medium, barely steady; good to extra, $40@50; medium to good, $28@35. Calves—Steady; best, $7.75@8; fair to good, $5.50@7; heavy, $3@4.50.

Hogs—Medium and heavy, $5.60@5.75; mixed, $5.60@5.70; best corn yorkers, $5.55@5.65; common and grassy yorkers, $5.45@5.50; pigs, $5.25@5.40; roughs, $4.75@4.85; stags, $4@4.25.

Sheep—Lambs, $5.90@6; fair to good, $5.50@5.85; culls and common, $4.50@5; mixed sheep, $4@4.25; fair to good, $3.75@4; culls and bucks, $2@3; yearlings, $4.50@4.75.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, $1 22; No. 2 red, spot, $1 23 bid; December, No. 2 red, 1,000 bu at $1 25; December, 5,000 bu at $1 22, 3,000 bu at $1 22¼c, 10,000 bu at $1 22½, 2,000 bu at $1 22¾, 5,000 bu at $1 22, 10,000 bu at $1 21½, closing $1 22 asked; May, 10,000 bu at $1 22, 10,000 bu at $1 22½, 5,000 bu at $1 22¼, 10,000 bu at $1 22, 5,000 bu at $1 21¾, 5,000 bu at $1 21½, closing $1 22 asked; No. 3 red, $1 18 per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 56c; No. 3 yellow, 58½c per bu, all nominal.

Oats—No. 3 white, spot, 5 cars at 32½c, 2 cars at 32¾c; December nominal at 33c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 spot, nominal at 85c bu.

Chicago—Wheat—No. 2 spring, $1 12@1 17; No. 3, $1 05@1 15; No. 2 red, $1 17¼@1 19.

Corn—No. 2, 52¼c; No. 2 yellow, 56c.
Oats—No. 2, 29c; No. 3 white, 29½@31c.
Rye—No. 2, 78c.
Barley—Good feeding, 37c; fair to choice malting, 40@52c.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending Oct. 29.

LYCEUM THEATER—Keller, the Magician. Mat. Wed. and Sat. Eve. 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c

LAFAYETTE THEATRE—"Monte Cristo." Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c. Mat. Monday, Wednesday, Saturday; best seats 25c.

WHITNEY THEATER—"Escaped from the Harem." Mat., 10c, 15c, 25c. Eve. 10 20 and 30c.

TEMPLE THEATER AND WONDERLAND—Afternoons 2:15, 10c to 25c; Evenings 8:15, 10c to 50.

AVENUE 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 2:30 p. m. For Toledo at 4:30 p. m. Leave Port Huron for Detroit 6:30 a m; 3:45 p m

DETROIT & BUFFALO STEAMBOAT CO.—Foot of Wayne Street; for Buffalo daily at 4:00 p. m.

DETROIT & CLEVELAND NAV. CO; Foot Wayne St; for Cleveland daily 9:30 a. m. and 10:30 p. m. For Mackinac, Monday and Saturday 5:00 p. m. Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a. m.

Mrs. Noah Smith, Indianapolis, wants her husband relieved of the duty of paying alimony to his first wife, because she has to take in washing to earn the money.

Emma Grenell, of Chicago, hurt in 1895, gets a verdict of $40,000 against West Chicago street railway for the loss of one arm and all but one of her fingers.

Dr. Henry G. Hatch, of Quincy, Ill., in a paper read before the national prison congress in that city, advocated the infliction of the death penalty upon degenerates as a means of preventing the spread of degeneracy.

At the closing session of the Odd Fellows' grand lodge in Lansing it was decided to reduce the grand lodge dues from 20 to 10 cents, but at the same time to increase the dues for the Odd Fellows' home in the same ratio. This will provide an annual income of $15,000 for the support of the home.

Contributors to the Martinique fund, started for the benefit of survivors in the stricken islands near Mt. Pelee after its terrible eruption, were so generous that nearly $100,000 more than was needed was turned in. Of this, $25,000 was used in Philippine relief work, and $57,409, the final balance, returned to contributors.