THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC
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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, NOV. 18.

Those Thaw children act very much as if their father had been a great man.

It isn't the coat that makes the man, of course, but the overcoat helps somewhat.

A cow in St. Paul tried to get into a theater to see a show. A stock company must have been playing there.

The open season for the man who rocks the boat is over, but the practical joker we always have with us.

However, this sour milk elixir of life would probably be more popular if you could rub it on instead of drinking it.

The United States has granted 3,500 patents to women, but as yet there is no notice for keeping a hat on straight.

Since West Point beat Yale at football the Yale professors are unalterably opposed to anything that savors of militarism.

A University of Pennsylvania professor has discovered the germ of laziness, which appears to be about the busiest of the lot.

Russell Sage has placed the seal of his approval on the New York subway. This is rather strange, inasmuch as it cost so many millions.

Wall street has been affected by the quarrel between Russia and England. Is there anything left that Wall street has not been affected by?

King Peter of Servia has been wearing his thirty-pound crown for several weeks now and he isn't one of the soreheads yet. Good for Peter!

There will be no disputes next season between the new manager of the Clevelands and the second baseman when Napoleon Lajoie is on the field.

There would be a further use in the flying machine that could go up as easily and as gracefully and on such slight provocation as can the price of coal.

The Memphis Commercial-Appeal fixes the responsibility. "Big sleeves will be worn this winter," it says, "in order to require the purchase of new cloaks."

Rudyard Kipling is in a position to look complacently upon his critics, with 10,000 copies of his new book sold before the sheets are off the printing press.

A physician says music is a great curative agent. As a remedy for delirium tremens we imagine that "Bedelia" and "Hiawatha" would produce wonderful results.

A Chicago man was fined $600 for carrying a concealed weapon. He had prepared himself for a possible holdup, but the extent of the holdup must have astonished him.

The dean of Westminster expresses the opinion that the serpent didn't say a word to Eve, but he must at least have wiggled his tail suggestively toward the apple tree.

Much might be done to save the fast vanishing alligator of Florida if the Audubon society could be persuaded to throw its protecting mantle over that unattractive but interesting animal.

The statue which was discovered in Babylonia recently looks like Chauncey Depew. But it also looks like the late Adam Forepaugh. The identity of the original as an ancestor is still in doubt.

A telegram from New York says John L. Sullivan has signed the pledge again. But this has ceased to be a matter of public interest. John L. broke the pledge-signing record long ago.

A New York telephone girl has married a millionaire. Remember this, Central dear, every time "some nobbed man" rings in. There's no knowing where the lightning may strike next time.

"Good Old Teddy" is the title of a song that is being sung in the London music halls. It refers to the king and, whatever he may have been once, it must be admitted that he is getting good and old now.

Mr. Rockefeller says the poorest man is the one who has nothing but money. Perhaps so, from the philosophic viewpoint; but as a rule it is precisely such a man who feels and acts as if he owned the earth.

The police arrested a man in Baltimore because he said it would take 1,000,000 horses, 12,000 derricks and 500 miles of ropes and chains to move the world. No doubt the police regarded this as a libelous reflection on the spellbinders.

The horses attached to a New York wedding party's coach got scared at the rice and old shoes a day or two ago and ran away. This gives the automobile a much-desired opportunity to claim that it's the only safe and sane conveyance on the road.

According to a fashionable dressmaker, Mrs. John Jacob Astor is the best dressed woman in New York and spends $50,000 a year for what she wears. And yet there are husbands who find fault because their wives ask them for $25 once in six months for a new dress.

A District messenger boy writes to the New York Herald to say that he is sick of his job and wants a more congenial position. How about the presidency of the Rock Island road, recently vacated by its $75,000 head?

Important News From All Parts of Michigan

Happenings of the Week Chronicled Briefly For Busy Readers

AGED MURDERER.

The Oldest in Michigan Goes to the Penitentiary.

Thomas Payne, aged 86 years, the oldest murderer in Michigan, who was convicted of killing his child wife last April, in Wessaw township, was sentenced Monday by Judge Coolidge to serve from two to six years at hard labor in the state penitentiary. Payne was the oldest man ever to appear before the bar to receive a sentence in the history of Berrien county. With the farewell remark by Judge Coolidge, in pronouncing sentence, that this was the saddest mission during his career as a member of the bench to send the aged prisoner to the penitentiary, but declaring that the evidence and the verdict in the case must be observed, Payne is an Englishman and came to Berrien county 50 years ago. He was married four times, his first three wives having died or been divorced. Twenty years ago Payne, while visiting in England, married Zimmah Turner, then in her teens, and 50 years his junior. They were never happy, it is said, and some years ago Mrs. Payne began suit for divorce, but a settlement was effected, later she had Payne arrested for beating her. Payne claimed that she had become too friendly with a young farmer, going to dances with him and coming home late. Over a year ago the couple again separated, and had frequent quarrels afterwards about the property.

In the final quarrel, Payne alleges she drew a revolver on him and that he turned it on her and fired the fatal shot. His son, aged 18, tried to stop him as he ran from the house with the smoking revolver in his hand. The old man escaped, being run down later by his wife's father.

DEER! DEER!

The Gentle Deer Ruins a Farmer's Crops and He Wants Pay.

A farmer at Fibre, Mich., a postoffice in the upper peninsula, has a grievance which he has laid before the secretary of state. In a letter to the department he says: "I want to explain to you that the deer has eaten all my turnips. I had two acres of turnips and now I have not got a turnip, and they have destroyed two acres of my peas. They have made a complete sweep of both, and I can prove it if necessary. Now, gentlemen, if you are gentlemen, as I suppose you are, you will act like men with me and pay me for their damage. I value the peas at $15 an acre and the turnips at $20 an acre. Now, gentlemen, if you do not pay me something for the grain and roots I will put an end to more deer than all the hunters from the lower peninsula. Now, I would like to explain the matter to you. They do not mind a scarecrow in the least. Now, the game laws say deer cannot be killed in November. Now, I ask you suppose a man has got to let his crop be destroyed in front of his eyes and cannot do anything about it? Now I have nothing to feed my hogs."

Murderer Took Poison.

Mrs. Katherine Dorfs of Grand Rapids was shot in the mouth Wednesday night by Joe Adamski, and is probably fatally injured. The shooting occurred at the woman's home and is supposed to have started over a quarrel about some money matters. Mrs. Dorfs was taken to St. Mary's hospital. The physicians are unable to trace the course of the bullet. Adamski escaped. He has served time here for theft. Adamski was found unconscious Thursday morning on Kalamazoo avenue by the police. He was at one time asked to St. Mary's hospital, where he died a few hours later. He had taken a large quantity of strychnine.

Hold-up Men Are Busy.

A reign of terror similar to the one Detroit experienced some months ago by hold-up men seems to be again the city's fate. Three hold-ups were committed Saturday night and appear from the description to have been perpetrated by the same two men who were responsible for those of Friday night. They make their victims deliver with a coolness that is startling, using revolvers as persuaders and taking every thing of value, even to cheap watches and pennies.

He Got Proper Justice.

Judge Robinet sentenced Charles Steiger, convicted of assaulting little Gladys Boring, in Highland Park, near Detroit, last September, to life imprisonment in Marquette prison. Steiger was the coolest man in the room when sentence was pronounced. He asked for Jackson in place of Marquette, but the judge wouldn't change.

The family of Ed. Bolster, of Sturgis, were at dinner when alarmed by the cry that the house was on fire. They had scarcely time to escape, Bolster being badly burned about the hands and face. The youngest child, a year old, was overlooked, as she had been taking a nap, but was discovered by a fireman, who carried her to a place of safety. The Bolsters saved nothing and were left destitute.

Proceeds to Death.

The 8-year-old son of County Clerk William E. Smith, of Eagle River, died of cold and exhaustion while snaring rabbits near the lake shore. The dead boy was with several other boys when his strength began to give out. They left him in care of his little brother and hastened to town for assistance. The wind off the lake was bitter cold and when the rescuers arrived they found one brother guarding the dead body of the other.

Menominee citizens turned down the proposition for the city to buy the water works system.

The body of Frank Boyer, aged 27, of Garden River, was found on the Canadian Pacific track about two miles from Sault Ste. Marie Saturday with the head completely severed from the body. It is supposed he was struck by a train which he did not see approaching. He was recently married.

The University of Michigan union has been incorporated with President Angell at the head of the incorporators. The object of the association is "to promote the Michigan spirit by all possible means, to promote social intercourse among members, and to provide for them the conveniences of a club house."

HUNTER KILLED.

Shot By a Stray Bullet While Hunting Deer.

Frank A. Dearing, 20-year-old son of Anson C. Dearing, of Detroit, and a popular young Detroiter, was accidentally shot and killed in Richfield township, Roscommon county, Sunday afternoon. Just who is responsible for the young man's death has not been determined, but a coroner's jury in Roscommon county rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by a stray bullet fired by an unknown person.

"We were 10 in a group, all firing at a deer," said Dearing. "But I am satisfied that none of the men fired the shot that killed Frank. At first we thought it might have been possible that during the fusillade, when a deer was seen running across our path, one of the party may have accidentally fired the fatal shot, but an investigation proved otherwise.

"The first I knew that Frank had been shot was when he cried to me: 'Dad, I have been shot.' I dropped my rifle and ran to his side. We couldn't see where the bullet had struck, but he pointed with his finger under his left arm. We then carefully laid him on an embankment, while one of the party hurried off towards a farmer's house, away, to get a wagon, and another started towards St. Helen, a small village, after a doctor.

"Frank was conscious all this time, and asked: 'Father, who shot me?' I told him to lie quiet, and he remarked: 'Oh, I'll be all right in a little while.' I then rolled up his coat and placed it in my knapsack. The bullet, which which he had been shot, fell to the ground. The wound had arrived in this time, and we lifted Frank up, and he gave some very faint sighs. I saw him gasp for breath, and then close his eyes. He was dead.

"There is no question but that it was a stray bullet that caused his death. The fact that it lodged in his sweater proved that it must have come a long distance. It splintered one rib and produced a hemorrhage. The cartridge was of a larger caliber than any of the members of the party used, and I, who carried a 32-bore Savage, and all those in the party, tried to fit the bullet into the chamber, but it was a good deal larger."

The party left Detroit on Nov. 6, and had been hunting a week. The trip was an annual one for Mr. Dearing and his son, both enthusiastic hunters.

The deceased was the only child of the Dearings, and had a bright future.

New Electric Line.

The Columbus, Marshall & Northeastern railroad has been revived and the construction from Montpelier, O., through Coldwater, Union City, Tecumseh, Marshall, Olivet, Lansing, to Bay City is assured. Two years ago John Seymour, of Hudson, graded the road from Marshall to Olivet, and it is now practically ready for the steel. Work was stopped on account of a scarcity of funds, but L. M. Sonne of Detroit, who has had extensive interests from New York, after having made a survey, says he can get the cash and has signed a contract with J. E. Hilton, president of the C. M. & N. E. railroad company, and will begin work at once. He says he will have the road ready for operation next December. At the point where the Grand Trunk runs two miles north of Olivet within sixty days, but no further work will be done until next spring.

Phelps Fled.

Neil S. Phelps, the former Battle Creek pure food millionaire who disappeared last month, has not committed suicide, has not wandered away in a demented state nor has he met foul play, declared Prosecutor Collins, but that Phelps is a fugitive and is now probably on the blue Pacific bound for China or Australia.

It is given out by Charles Austin, president of the First National bank, and Burritt Hamilton, attorney for the Phelps' sanatorium, that nearly $20,000 in checks issued by the Phelps Ellis Publishing Co., of which company Phelps was president, has turned up. The name of the treasurer was forged to the stock. This stock is held by the banks of Battle Creek and three banks outside, one of which is at Tecumseh and another at Adrian. It is said Phelps owned $50,000 worth of stock in his own right.

Supposed Bad Man.

The inquiry, who gave the name of Wilson when arrested in St. Clair last week, is now thought to be Charles Cartright Graham, and a noted crook. He is said to be wanted in the Elkhart Marquette Railway Co. for robbery committed from six railroad stations at different points. He is also alleged to have burglarized a whole series of stations on such places as Bay Port, Sebewaing, Owendale, Caseville, Bad Axe and Memphis. He seems to be a desperate character, as shown by his assaulting the Bad Axe jailers and throwing Deputy Sheriff D. C. McElroy into the St. Clair river. It is alleged that a reward of $200 was offered for his arrest.

Commissions have been issued by the adjutant-general to Otto Keltner, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Manistee; Loren Christoffersen, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Ishpeming; Frederick Bebergan, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Calumet; Ira Jaques, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Marquette; Charles Kirkpatrick, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Sault Ste. Marie; Ludwig Deberger, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Hancock; Lorenzo Christoffersen, second lieutenant, Co. F, Second infantry, Ishpeming; Frederick Bebergan, first lieutenant, Co. L, Second infantry, Battle Creek; Amos R. Oxley, first lieutenant, and Fred N. Clement, second lieutenant, Co. K, Second infantry, Ishpeming; George A. Pettys, second lieutenant, Co. A, Third infantry, Flint; Frank M. McCullagh, first lieutenant, Co. F, Third infantry, Saginaw.

Frank Guthrie, living near Riverdale, committed suicide by hanging.

Two more of the convicts who escaped from Jackson prison last week were captured Wednesday. They are: James Wilson, sent from Calhoun county on Sept. 8, 1900, for seven years for burglary, and Edward McPherson, of Ionia, sentenced Nov. 19, 1900, for ten years for burglary.

While duck hunting in a boat up the Pentwater river, William Hilliard, in reaching for his gun to hastily shoot at a duck, discharged the weapon, frightfully mangling his right leg below the knee. His brother, who was with him, took him to the nearest physician, and the leg was amputated. He may not recover.

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

The proposition to bond to build a new city hall in Monroe was voted down at the special election on Monday.

R. Gesche, fireman of Calumet & Hecla mine, fell from a 60-foot pole, sustaining internal injuries, but may recover.

The Friday blaze in Wolverine mine No. 2, Saginaw, necessitates suspension of operations for four months, affecting 150 men.

The plant of the Saginaw Basket Co., which closed about a month ago, was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of $28,000; insurance, $18,000.

The 10-months-old son of Frank Berger, of Traverse City, died on Monday after being unconscious six weeks from the effects of a fall on his head.

Kendall & Slades' general store at Milbrook was broken into and the safe was blown open. About $700 in notes and $80 cash was the booty.

Sunday night a large barn on the farm of Mrs. John Rhoades, near Edwardsburg, burned to the ground, together with its contents. Loss, $2,500; insurance, $700.

Sitting in a chair in his office, where he had been talking with friends, County Clerk Ashley Clapp, of Kalamazoo, gasped and sank back dead Monday morning.

Mrs. E. H. Pierce, a widow, of Traverse City, lost her home by fire Saturday; loss $1,200, with $700 insurance, and her invalid daughter will be cared for by friends.

The Kearsarge lode was encountered by the drill operated horizontally at the Allouez shaft, Houghton, at a depth of 1,600 feet. The copper carried contains an excellent showing of copper.

So many applications have been made for deputy sheriff jobs in Battle Creek that Sheriff Charles R. Furner has issued an announcement that he will consider no applications until after December 15.

A T. Dibble, a prosperous farmer living four miles south of Ithaca, was kicked by the old family horse that labors owned for 14 years, breaking three ribs on the right side and bruising the side of his head.

The daughter of William Alexander, of Tecumseh, was taken ill suddenly in school. The doctor calls it multiple neuritis, and she has been frightened. Two cases of smallpox exist in the city now.

A fire which Henry Zierk believes to have been incendiary destroyed three of his large barns, with all the valuable contents, at the northern limits of Three Rivers. The loss is about $8,000; insurance, $400.

Benjamin C. Bayles, of Decatur, yesterday convicted Lewis Swaim of intent to murder one Sylvester Cole, of the same place, was sentenced by Judge Carl to from five to ten years at Jackson state prison.

The dedication of the Michigan Employment Institution for the Blind in Saginaw will occur on December 22. The buildings are nearing completion and it is thought they will be opened before the close of the year.

Sheriff J. F. Edgett is offering a reward of $25 for the arrest of Osmer Ruppert, supposed to be implicated in the recent burglary in Bad Ax City, and other two men of the gang have been arrested, but no trace can be found of Ruppert.

Patrick Nolan, a prominent stock broker of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., fell or jumped from the bridge near the Port Huron Light & Power plant into Black river, some time Sunday night. His body was found floating in the river next morning.

Seeing that a rail was missing in the Air Line tracks near Wixom, Firemen E. C. Birney, of Jackson, became frightened and jumped from the engine. The engineer slowed the train in time to save a wreck, Birney was badly injured.

A jail delivery was frustrated by Sheriff Stegmann of Ishpeming Wednesday night. Being allowed the run of the corridor the prisoners had tampered with the bolt of a door leading to a vacant cell. Sixteen of the prisoners, fixing it so it would not hold.

William Fulger, aged 15 years, of Lansing, was instantly killed Saturday while hunting with some young companions. The boy had a brace of Remington bullets in his pocket, which accidentally discharged, the bullet passed through Fulger's head. All the parties lived in Lansing.

John Hasens, aged 60, of Plainwell, committed suicide by shooting himself through the temple. He was a prominent farmer-sawmaker and implement dealer. He leaves a widow and son. Hasens was injured last spring by a falling roof and suffered greatly since.

The total number of tons of coal mined in Michigan during the six months ending September 30, was 550,835; total cost of mining, $915,283.90; average cost per ton $1.64. The total output was 16,335 tons less than the output for the four preceding months.

Attorney Alex. Moore has petitioned the United States court at Detroit to declare the Port Huron Steel & Screw Co. bankrupt. The concern was organized about four years ago. The liabilities are said to be about $75,000 and the assets one-third of this amount.

The first action in the Jennie Leaver and Myrtle Smith poisoning case was taken on Wednesday, the father of the Leaver girl instituting proceedings against Lyman Ellis and Bros., proprietors of the Long saloon, and Geo. Bridgeman, manager of the Gore block drug store. The charge made is illegal selling of liquor to the girl.

One of the youngest electors in Michigan and probably the smallest in stature and weight in the United States, voted in Three Oaks Tuesday for Theodore Roosevelt. The name is Clifford Green, 21 years of age, weight 56 pounds and 46 inches in light.

Wm. Woodburn, aged 55 years, a well known farmer residing five miles southeast of Almont was drawing corn stalks to a stackyard when his horses started to run away. In trying to stop the animals Woodburn stumbled and fell and the boat ran over him, so seriously injuring him about the head that death resulted. He leaves a widow and six children.

While crossing a busy section of Battle Creek with her babe in her arms, Mrs. Mary White, a country woman, was struck by a street car. Mrs. White raised the child above her head and clung tight. The fender knocked the woman down and pinned her up safely, and when rescued she was still holding the little girl above her head. The child escaped without a scratch.

The monthly state crop report issued by the secretary of state shows the condition of wheat in the state 99 per cent, which is 10 in the southern counties, where most of the wheat is raised, it is 100 per cent.

The News of the World Told by the Telegraph

Items of Current Interest Gathered From All Parts of the New and the Old World

KUROKI IS DEAD.

The Brave and Skillful Commander Killed by a Shell.

Nemirovich Danchenko, the well known Russian war correspondent, telegraphing from Mukden on the 12th, says the reports of the death of Gen. Kuroki are confirmed. According to his version, the splinter of a shell struck Gen. Kuroki, tearing out a portion of his breast and abdomen. He died October 4 at Lao Yang and his body was sent to Japan. A rumor is persistently circulated that Kuroki's son, the inimable Siaosanai, literally "Little Third Prince," has been appointed to succeed Gen. Kuroki, but the actual command of the army has been entrusted to Gen. Nodzu, who is reviewing operations.

The advances for five weeks have closed, but the present lines of defense must be considered permanent in view of the strong fortifications constructed. The Japanese positions at several points are only 800 paces distant from them and must be considered to be definitely occupied by troops. The Japanese's fortifications are acknowledged by all competent persons to be skillfully constructed. Their trenches in many places are so cleverly concealed as not to be noticeable a short distance away, the earth removed being carefully thrown in front of the trenches. The general impression conveys a great tension on both sides.

PEACE PROPOSED.

Japan Offers, but Russia Rejects the Proposal.

Japan unofficially has made representations to Russia looking to peace. This action has created great interest and such representations even private, are not likely to be repeated by Japan.

Although the suggestion of a peace settlement was made unofficially, it actually had behind it all the weight of an offer by the Japanese government. The offer was made through a power acted as an intermediary. The proposition was put forward tentatively and unofficially, so that the Japanese government could be in a position to deny any report that it was suing for peace.

The failure of these direct negotiations, however, resulted in bringing intervention within a measurable distance.

Evacuate Manchuria.

A dispatch from Washington confirming the statement that Japan had indicated her willingness to entertain peace suggestions from President Roosevelt or King Edward, created much interest in London. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, said:

"After the fall of Port Arthur Japan would, I believe, be ready to treat for peace on no higher essential basis than that Russia should evacuate Manchuria. Japan also agreeing to similar evacuation. The only real difficulties in the way of any suggestion of peace are, first, the apparent opposition of Emperor Nicholas's political advisers to a settlement of this kind; second, the preservation of Russian prestige. When a nation's prestige, if not gone, is severely impaired, it is a stupendous task which is the best of intentions to preserve it."

A Miniature Robbery.

Two masked men have robbed a train on the Miniature railroad at the world's fair, after securing money and valuables amounting to $100, escaped. The robbery occurred at midnight. The engineer slowed the train in time to save a wreck, Birney was badly injured.

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The woman passenger was robbed of considerable money. John T. O'Brien, of Jersey City, N. J., was robbed of $14, which he valued at $38 and $14 in money. The other passenger, a man from Kalamazoo, Mich., lost $7 and his return ticket to Kalamazoo. The robbers fled.

Russia Won't

Continued suggestions from abroad regarding peace are treated in Russia like their predecessors as unworthy of serious consideration. The mere mention of mediation arouses the ire of those in authority. The reiteration of the statement that President Roosevelt, having the support of Great Britain and France, had already been approached by Japan and was about to offer his offices in view of Russia's position is not considered to be a friendly act. Russia will push the war on an ever increasing scale and preparations to do so are being made everywhere.

Secretary Shaw declares that there is to be any immediate end to the government deficiencies for a loan of $20,000,000. Should the call be made at all, he says, the probabilities are that it will be some time during the month of January.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland performed the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new building of the Hebrew Technical school for Girls, which is to be erected in New York. Former President Cleveland acted as presiding officer of the exercises and delivered an address.

The home of Julius Weber, a wealthy resident of Aurora, Ont., has been burned to the ground, and Mrs. Weber, Miss Bertha Weber and Master Paul Weber perished. It is thought also that the remains of Mr. Weber will be found in the debris. Suspicious-looking wounds were found on the little boy in the shape of cuts on the head and a bullet wound was found in the mother's breast.

John Morley, the English statesman, left Chicago for Washington, carrying a big bundle of election returns, declaring he would never be satisfied until England had adopted the American system.

Miss Eva Booth, for eight years in command of the Salvation army in Canada, has been appointed commander in the United States, with headquarters in New York city. Booth Tucker, now the head of the army in the United States, will return to England.

Lawrence Defallo, aged 27, shot and seriously wounded Carrie Jimity and his brother Frank while all three were in the kitchen of the home of the Jimity family at Southington, Ct. Defallo then put a bullet into his head, probably with fatal effect. Defallo has been paying attentions to the girl and it is thought he was jealous of her.

TO STAND ALONE.

A New Political Move for the Southern States.

Several southern Democrats will, if the plan meets with proper encouragement, start a movement, "To pit the northern Democracy against the Republican party, the south to cast its vote independently in the electoral college." How far-reaching it will be, whether it will ever amount to what its advocates hope, is too far ahead to say, but it is known that plans are on foot for serious consideration of the future independent course of the southern Democracy in the national councils.

According to the present arrangements prominent southern Democrats will be invited to come here to national Democratic conventions, that the electors from the southern states maintain their old constitutional privilege and vote in the electoral college for the presidential candidate, regardless of politics, who seems to them most likely to offer to the south its greatest advantages.

Should such a resolution be passed it would be referred to the several state committees and by them to the people of the states for ratification.

'Slaughter of Russians.'

Instructions have been sent to Gen. Sofi, in front of Port Arthur, to use his powerful battle ship squadron in the bay when his final assault on the Russian fortress has been successful. Grave fear is felt that, should the Russian commander focus on fighting to the last, all that can be done by the Japanese officers will not prevent a slaughter of the Russians. The Japanese officers are brought up to a high state of tension by cruelties practiced by the Russians on their wounded, and by the useless slaughter of their comrades, and the feeling is intensely bitter among the Japanese privates. The officers, also, have this feeling of bitterness, but can be depended upon to do all possible to restrain their men.

Nine Perished.

The Atlantic coast was swept by a violent storm Sunday which was the most severe felt since the blizzard of 1888. Nine lives are reported lost, telegraph wires were prostrated and much damage was done to shipping. A score of vessels ran ashore, several hundred confined on an island in the East river for petty offenses are thought to have lost their lives in the storm. Sixty-two vessels and barges are reported by a party of visitors back to city. On the return trip their boat was caught in the high seas which swept them out of sight. Watchers on the shore saw them attempt repeatedly to gain shelter, but without success, and it is thought they were swept into Long Island sound.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Lipton won't challenge for America's cup next year.

Earl Gray says Canada will have 50,000,000 people in 1950.

Joplin, Mo., contains so many hobos that a convention is supposed to be on.

Denver is to have a fish hatchery, capacity 25,000,000 trout yearly. This is a fish story.

Alex Kass, hanged in Newton, Mass., for wife murder, was one-eyed, one-legged and one-armed.

F. T. Hanscom has returned to New York from Klondike with $100,000, made since 1897 February.

Mrs. Harry Converse, Malden, Mass., is the only woman owning a steamer pilot in all New England.

India had 234,261,056 in 1902, only 30,002 persons were killed by animals, only 185 languages are spoken in India.

Timothy Falk, weight 12 ounces, goes in lively style in an incubator in New York, and may grow to be a good sized man.

Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa has left New York for Ireland. He came to New York in 1876, and hasn't been back there since.

Lady Grey-Edgerton, who was May Cavier, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has begun suit in London, Eng., to separate from Philip Grey-Edgerton to live with her.

The new armored cruiser West Virginia developed an average speed of 22.6 knots per hour in her official speed trial over the Cape Ann course. The contract called for 22 knots.

Cruel, slanderous gossip by neighbors is said to have driven Mollie Jordan and Bridget Ryan proprietresses of a little candy shop in New York, insane. They are now in a madhouse.

Although the Uintah Indian reservation in northwestern Utah is not to be thrown open for settlement until next March, already prospective settlers are beginning to camp on the boundaries of the reservation.

About 500 persons calling themselves anarchists assembled in an east side hall in New York to commemorate the death of the Haymarket rioters in Chicago. Policemen present heard no incendiary speeches were made the meeting would be closed. The chairman declared to be proof that liberty is dead in America. A well-known woman agitator bewailed the lack of interest and the falling off in attendance at anarchist meetings.

President Roosevelt is said to have reached his determination not to run again two weeks before election, but kept back the news so as not to influence voters.

J. Pierpont Morgan will become a chevalier as a reward for the return of the stolen cope to the Italian government, the cross of the order of the crown of Italy, which the Italian monarch has decided to bestow on him, carrying with it that title. The presentation of the cross to Mr. Morgan will be made by the Italian ambassador at Washington.

Mrs. Amelia Fischer, wife of the United Brethren pastor at Sciotoville, O., was fatally burned and her two sons seriously burned by the explosion of gasoline she was pouring on a smoldering fire.

THE GRIDIRON.

How the U. of M. and Chicago Fought for Victory.

During the four years that the U. of M. has held the championship of the west on the football field there has been a feeling that Trainer Fitzpatrick and Coach Yost could and did and would make the team invincible, but the swift and skillful playing of Chicago University's eleven was a surprise, and for a time in the first half gave the backers of the Ann Arbor players the shivers. The errors made by the home eleven were costly.

Four touchdowns were made by the Ann Arbor eleven, all earned by hard played football, marked by a few brilliant dashes through, but by one run of any great length—that a sprint for 45 yards made by Heston—the ball being advanced generally by the onslaughts of Heston, Tom Hammond and Longman, varied at times, until his legs gave out and he was unable to continue in the game, of, work for a quarterback runs by Norcross. Three of these touchdowns came in the first half, and one, the one above referred to, in the second, Chicago got one in each half, the first being earned by a great exhibition of line bucking, after an error of judgment in the backfield had put the U. of M. team striking distance of the goal. The other was fluky in its nature, Eckersall snatching the ball out of the air after one of Michigan's two numerous fumbles, and running unblocked for 35 yards for a touchdown.

The second half was a hard-fought and fast-moving battle for the game and resulted in a score of 22 to 12 in favor of Michigan. The attendance was not less than 10,000. Numerous special trains were brought in thousands from Chicago, Detroit and other parts of the state.

United States corn yield is now estimated at 2,433,000,000 bushels.

Charles Sumner's private secretary tells of the statesman's sweet tooth for chocolate creams.

THE MARKETS.

Live Stock Prices.

Detroit—Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, $4 50; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $3 75@4 25; grass steers and heifers that dressed 500 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 50; grass steers and heifers that weigh 500 to 1,000 lbs, $2 75@3; choice fat cows, $2 75@3 25; good fat cows, $2 25@2 50; common cows, $1 25@1 75; canners, $1@1 50; choice heavy bulls, $2 75@3 35; fair to good bologna bulls, $2@2 25; stock bulls, $2@2 15; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 25; fair to good feeders, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $2 50@3; choice stockers, 500 to 700 lbs, $2 75@3 25; fair to good stockers, $2@2 15; milkers, large, young, medium age, $40@50; common milkers, $20@30.

Milch cows and springers—Good grades strong, common steady at $30@50.

Veal calves—Market steady at Thursday's prices; best grades, $6@6 75; others, $4@5.

Hogs—Market active at about last week's prices. Light to good butchers, $4 90@5; pigs, $4 85@4 90; light yorkers, $4 85; roughs, $4@4 25; stags one-third off.

Sheep—Market active and 10@15c higher; lambs, $5 35@5 50; fair to good lambs, $5@5 25; light to common lambs, $3 50@4 50; yearlings, $3@3 50; fair to good butcher sheep, $3@3 25; culls and common, $1 50@2 50.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $6 10@7; poor to medium, $3 75@6 90; stockers and feeders, $2 10@4 05; cows, $1 75@4 50; heifers, $1 75@5 50; canners, $1 25@2 75; bulls, $2@4 30; calves, $3 50@7 15; western steers, $3 75@5 75.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $4 85@5 20; good to choice heavy, $5@5 10; rough heavy, $4 80@4 90; light, $4 90@5 20; bulk, $4 95@5 10.

Sheep—Good to prime choice wethers, $4 40@4 85; fair to choice mixed, $3 70@4 25; native lambs, $4 25@6 25.

East Buffalo—Best export steers, $5 25@5 50; good to choice shipping steers, $4 15@4 50; good 1,050 to 1,100 butcher steers, $3 75@4 20; 900 to 1,000 do, $3@3 30; best fat cows, $3 25@3 50; fair to good, $2 50@2 75; common do, $2@2 25; 10,000 fat heifers, $3 50@4; medium heifers, $2 65@2 90; common stock heifers, $2@2 25; best fat bulls, $3 50@3 75; 10,000 best yearling steers, $3 50@3 75; common stockers, $2@2 25; good fresh cows, $2 25@2 75; common stock steers, $1 75; export bulls, $3 25@3 50; bologna bulls, $2@2 25; little stock bulls, $2 25@2 50; good fresh cows, $2 25 per head higher; common and medium heavy calves, $5@5 50; veal calves, $6@6 25; medium to good, $2@3 25; common, $1 50@2. Cheese, lost, $4 50@7 15; fair to good, $5 50@6; heavy, $3@4 50.

Hogs—Yorkers, $4 95@5; mostly, $5; mixed, $5 25@5 35; good to choice mixed, $5 05@5 15; pigs, $4 85@4 90; roughs, $4 15@4 40.

Sheep—Steady, ton lambs, $5 85@6 40; fair to good, $5 75@5 80; culls and common, $4 50@5 50; fair to good mixed sheep, $4@4 25; fair to good, $3 75@4; culls and bucks, $2@3; yearlings, $4 50@5 75.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, $1 04; No. 2 red, spot, $1 22 bid; December, 5,000 bu at $1 22¼; 10,000 bu at $1 22⅝; 10,000 bu at $1 22¾, 10,000 bu at $1 22⅞; 10,000 bu at $1 20¾; 10,000 bu at $1 20⅞; 10,000 bu at $1 21; 10,000 bu at $1 20¾; 10,000 bu at $1 21; No. 3 red, $1 19 bid.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 60c; 2 yellow, 2 cars at 62c; by sample, 5 cars at 60c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, spot, 1 car at 32c, 2 cars at 33½c, closing nominal at 32¾c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 spot, 1 car at 87c per bu.

Beans—November, $1 64 bid; February, $1 66 bid.

Chicago—No. 2 spring wheat, $1 10@1 15; No. 3, $1 06@1 12; No. 2 red, $1 16¾@1 18; No. 2 corn, 56½@57c; No. 2 yellow 60c; No. 3 do, 57½@59c; No. 3 white, 59½@59¾c; No. 2 rye, 80½c; good feeding barley, $1 25@1 28; fair to choice malting, $1@$2c.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending Nov. 19.

LYCEUM THEATRE—"Lovers of St. Ht." Mat. Wed. and Sat. Eve. 1st, 2nd, 40c, 75c.

LAFAYETTE THEATRE—"Michael Strogoff." Prices 10c, 15c, 25c, Eve. 25c, 35c and 50c. Matinee Wednesday, Saturday; best seats 25c.

WHITNEY THEATRE—"The Wolf's Paradise" Comp. Mat. Wed. Prices 10c, 15c, Eve. 10c, 25c and 50c.

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

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

Russian Losses.

A corrected casualty list of the two-day battle of the Shakhe river issued by the Russian war office places the total of killed or wounded at 33,250, of whom 900 were officers. The first returns, it is explained, contained duplications, and many men in them were so slightly wounded that they returned to the ranks in a few days.

Chicago had 43 suicides in October.

King George of Saxony leaves $40,000,000.

Nine presidential tickets are in the field this year.

James B. Storm, county treasurer at Prescott, Ariz., has been found locked in the steel vault of his office, bound and gagged, with $15000 missing. He had been in the vault 16 hours when found by his daughter. The robbery was perpetrated Tuesday by two masked men who entered the office with drawn revolvers.

Twenty-five hundred children marched out of a public school in West Forty-seventh street, New York, safely, at the call to a fire drill, while smoke and flames could be seen through the hallways as the order to march was given.