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Content is something you think other people have when they haven't.

A negro recently fell seventy feet in New York and lost neither his life nor his religion.

Some men find it more difficult to get divorced from their illusions than from their wives.

Georgia has a town called Shake Rag, whose citizens, however, are said to be no great shakes.

Viewed through the smoke of his hookah, all battleships look much alike to Sultan Abdul Hamid.

Krupp's gun works are now working overtime, and peace is still looking in vain for the proverbial "balm."

Holland's new airship may cost but $10, but it is likely to cost somebody his life before we hear the last of it.

A man drank nine quarts of whisky and died. Even the temperance folks must admit that rum has some value.

A New York society man has been fined for swearing. Still, the tailor may have given him great provocation.

That Boston society leader who has taken up the blacksmith's trade is going to get on the black list if he isn't careful.

A western expert on alcoholism claims that the reason so many men fail to walk straight is that they can't see straight.

The czar's edict abolishing whipping in his domains will interest the heir apparent when he arrives at the spanking age.

In Georgia the catfish have taken to swallowing rattlesnakes. The water must be almost as bad up there as it is in Kentucky.

Squabs have advanced to $5 a dozen in New York, but the old familiar political squabble may still be had upon most any terms.

Russia claims that flour is contraband of war, and will do all in her power to discourage the hot-biscuit habit within her borders.

The reappearance of the kissing bug at the seaside resorts is taken to mean that the sea serpent story is not good form this year.

In Philadelphia an actress killed herself sooner than marry. Death lasts a great deal longer, though, than the average theatrical marriage.

If King Edward were to meet the emperor of the Hottentots would he wear the uniform of a Hottentot admiral as a mark of courtesy.

Love is the greatest thing in the world, but it has its drawbacks when the loved one pawns your jewels without notifying you in advance.

Marie Dressler, the actress, has adopted one of those "incubator babies;" and her press agent will now have something substantial to work on.

The new Holland flying machine costs but $10. Glad to see these little modern conveniences gradually getting down to within $9.99 of their actual value.

A suit against Armour for $1,200,000 is said to be a friendly action. The average man would take it as unfriendly, to say the least, to be sued for a million.

An irreverent contemporary describes society as "moving along toward Saratoga." Those poker chips and "Saratoga chips" will soon be moving along also.

The birth of the czar's son is expected to weaken the influence of Pobyedonostseff. That will mean something worth while if the boy never does anything else of importance.

Croesus, the multi-millionaire of antiquity, is said by scholars never to have laughed. Probably made the people "laugh out of the other side of their mouths," though.

The young Russian Alexis has already been made an honorary colonel, but this will naturally cause his royal mother less anxiety about him than if he were serving in the navy.

News that a citizen of Rochester has died at the age of 101 lacks completeness. The public does not know whether his length of years was due to tobacco and alcohol or to abstinence.

Once a boyhood friend visited Roscoe Conkling when a law student. Meeting a supercilious reception when he asked, "Studying to be a lawyer, Roscoe?" he retorted, "You ought to study to be a supreme court justice!" He meant it for a sneer, but that's the way every law student ought to study.

No one can blame Europeans for believing that all Americans are rich. A Boston woman left a quart of diamonds in a London hotel and wired back to the proprietor to "keep them until I come over again next summer."

A writer in the New York Herald vigorously champions the cause of the oyster, maintaining that he was never responsible for a single case of typhoid fever. This is especially kind in view of the fact that the oyster has always shown great hesitation about speaking for himself.

It is all very well for Rudyard Kipling to write poems in praise of the man who "does things," but it ought to be remembered that he who "does things" not infrequently as a consequence "does time."

Important News From All Parts of Michigan

Happenings of the Week Chronicled Briefly For Busy Readers

A DOUBLET.

A Curious Imagination and Its Effect.

An interesting instance of consciousness of a double self is seen in 5-year-old Paul Harwood, son of C. L. Harwood, a former Constantine boy, living in New York, but now visiting his former home. Paul's alter ego is an imaginary boy named by himself "Tommy," who is very real to him, and who plays, eats and sleeps with him. When Paul's mother makes a request he is reluctant to obey, he asks "Tommy" to do it, and though eventually he obeys, he says "Tommy" would not have hesitated a moment. His parents refrain either from ridicule or encouragement. While there are other instances of a knowledge of a double personality in children, the uniqueness in this case lies in the fact that Paul attributes all the virtues to his imaginary companion, instead of making him a scapegoat for his own pranks.

A Lover's Suicide.

Maj. F. E. Eltonhead, formerly of the Fourteenth and Twenty-first regiments, committed suicide during the night in the Lothrop apartments, Detroit, by shooting himself through the mouth. He killed himself because Mrs. Jeannette Dean, with whom he was in love, had refused to remain with him in his apartments. Eltonhead, who was about 60 years old, was a graduate of West Point military academy. Coroner Hoffmann found a will, evidently written recently by Maj. Eltonhead, which shows that the infatuated man's suicide was deliberately planned. The will follows:

"Sell everything. Cremate—no postmortem. Nothing to the Eltonheads nor relations. Pay small bills, electric light, etc., from check.

"P. S.—I give everything to Mrs. Jennie Dean."

Swamp Iron.

The recent find of ore on the John Tripplet homestead, section 6-48-47, is causing some stir among local mining men, though as yet no effort at any actual test has been made, the locality being almost inaccessible for any but foot travel. The ore deposit, if such there is, is said to be of the "bog" variety, lying horizontally as on the Mesaba, in a big swamp. Should further investigation, and which only actual test pitting can prove, show up ore in paying quantities, the close proximity to the lake, only some three miles, would prove it a bonanza to owners and operators. The swampy country around will greatly retard any attempts at practical exploration, unless some extra promising surface indications should be found.

Saved His Life.

Dr. B. Friedlander, of Sebewaing, owes his life to his own promptitude. Coming into his drug store tired and hungry he found some cookies on a shelf and ate them, not knowing that they had been sprinkled with strychnine to kill mice. A terrible pain led him to suspect what had happened, and he dosed himself with antidotes. By the time another doctor had arrived Dr. Friedlander had done all that could be done and was resting easy.

She Is a Heroine.

A sum of money has been subscribed by Menominee citizens to purchase a gold medal for Gertrude Swazer, the heroine who piloted a party of five children across the waters of Green Bay, Thursday night, during a heavy storm, when the waves rolled thirty feet high and all the steamships remained in port. Her courage saved the entire party, as she remained at the oars until her hands were raw. She may receive a Carnegie medal.

Terribly Injured.

The little daughter of Frank Fellows, of Ritchfield, while riding with her mother, got out to pick a flower. When she was climbing into the rig, hre foot slipped and her leg went between the spokes of the wheel. The horse ran away and the child's leg was broken between the ankle and knee and the flesh torn from the bone. It is doubtful if the limb can be saved.

Lightning Destructive.

The fine farm house on the old Robert S. Mitchell place, in Raisin township, eight miles east of Adrian, was struck by lightning and totally destroyed, with most of its contents. The loss is about $4,200, insured at $800. During the same storm lightning killed a horse belonging to Albert Smith, of Britton, and burned a barn on the Aaron Younglove place, west of this city.

Cost a Life.

In a spirit of fun Fred Johnson pushed Henry Nagle, a lad of 19, into the river at Port Huron, but Nagle could not swim, and sank at once. Johnson plunged in to rescue him, but could not find him, and when the body was recovered by Joseph McLaughlin life was extinct. Johnson was arrested and will probably be tried for disorderly conduct.

There Was Water.

Nearly 1,000 persons gathered Sunday afternoon on the banks of Bean creek, to witness an old-fashioned baptizing by immersion, about four miles southwest of Morenci. It was conducted by the ministers of the United Brethren church, who have been holding gospel meetings in a tent near there. Eight converts, men and women, were baptized.

Branch county's supervisors now know the floor of the county jail is rotten for a prisoner dug through and out last week.

The Morenci board of aldermen at their last session voted down the proposition to light the town with electricity, but will submit to a vote of the citizens a proposition to put in a municipal acetylene gas plant for public and private lighting.

A post mortem examination shows that Florence Vandever, the 16-year-old girl who died under mysterious circumstances in Benton Harbor, had killed herself with strychnine, a large quantity of which was found in her stomach. Her parents say that unrequited affection for a boy in the neighborhood had made her despondent.

SAD RETURN.

House Burns and a Little Boy Meets Terrible Death.

Walter Sweefland, aged 7, was burned to a crisp in his father's house at Logan Monday afternoon. He had been left alone in the house and it had caught fire. To get away from the flames he retreated upstairs, and by the time help arrived it was too late to save him. The parents returned to find their house in ruins and their little son a charred corpse.

STATE NEWS NOTES.

October 4, 5 and 6 are the dates for the Leelanau county fair, which is to be held at Sutton's Bay.

It is announced that Millington's new waterworks system will be ready for operation September 15.

Detroit has been selected as the place for the next national gathering of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan.

John Olson, a Calumet Swede, cut his throat from ear to ear Tuesday. He had been out of work and despondent.

Indiana bankers are about to open the Farmers' Exchange bank in White Pigeon to take the place of the defunct state bank.

Mrs. Ella Maybee, wife of Willard Maybee, of Leoni township, is dead as a result of taking an overdose of headache powders.

The calendar for the September term of the Calhoun county circuit court is adorned with 39 divorce cases, six of which are contested.

Hersey's new bank building is rapidly nearing completion, and it is thought that it will be ready for occupancy by October 1.

The whole town of Bay Mills, which was burned down last winter, is for sale. Owners of property do not see any use of rebuilding.

The Union Trust Co., of Cincinnati, has purchased $250,000 of Alpena municipal bonds at a premium of $11,500. There were six bidders.

Former residents of Dundee are forming an "Old Boys'" association, and will meet in Dundee Sept. 22, the week of the county fair.

Arenac county will have no county fair this year, but will entertain the soldiers and sailors of northern Michigan on Sept. 14 and 16.

Sheriff Collins has sent out a posse to round up a band of Italian laborers who are accused of raiding the farms in the vicinity of Lakeside.

Joseph Cobb, a farmer living near Norville, dug up the skeleton of a man on his farm and so far no light has been cast upon the mystery.

Edwin Rice, a Cadillac saloonkeeper, for a violation of the liquor law, was sent to the county jail for 30 days and ordered to pay a fine of $132.

Prof. M. W. Honsel, superintendent of schools for Lenawee county, will not issue certificates to teachers who do not attend the teachers' institute.

Caro citizens are agitating the need of a board of trade in that city for the purpose of exploiting the industrial advantages of Tuscola county.

Frank Hopps, an old citizen, who lost one foot and had the other leg crushed in a saw mill in Green township, Aug. 22, is dead from his injuries.

The chemical plant of the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Co. in Gladstone was struck by lightning on Monday and destroyed. Loss $150,000; no insurance.

In Batavia township live five people whose aggregate years are 410, the oldest being 91. They are all pioneers of the county and are active and hearty.

John Winters, aged 22 years, a Finnish trammer at the Trimountain mine, accidentally walked into the shaft and fell several hundred feet to his death.

Battle Creek is surrounded by marshes and they have always been full of frogs and toads. Now these denizens of the lowlands have began migrating into the city.

William Warner, of Saginaw, was drowned in the Maumee river at Toledo Wednesday. He fell from a dredge and the body was recovered 15 minutes later.

The total number of deaths reported in Michigan for July was 2,510, or 65 more than the number registered for June. The number was 143 less than for July, 1903.

John Penfield, who in spite of his 62 years and his lameness, escaped from Jackson prison it is said by making his way across the country with the aid of stolen horses.

Robert Fisher, of Three Rivers, broke the arm of his 4-year-old son while playing with him. He took the boy's hand to lift him up on his back and the bone snapped.

The residence of John J. Swartz, of Lansing, was entered and two gold watches and chains stolen. An hour later James McGuire was arrested when he tried to pawn one of the watches. The balance of the plunder was found in his possession.

Benjamin Belmore, a Marquette young man of 20, was literally ground to pieces under the wheels of a train Monday night. He attempted to board it while it was in motion.

The Ash and Exeter Fair association, of Monroe county, was discouraged by the small attendance last year and will not hold a fair this year.

Bishop Burgess, the third bishop of Detroit, died at Kalamazoo in 1890, and the monument which he directed in his will to be placed over his grave is just being prepared. It will be of granite with a shaft 40 feet high, capped with a heroic figure of the bishop imparting his blessing.

Wm. Whuron was arrested near Standish, charged with burglary and with having stolen chickens, jewelry and various other things in and around Standish during the past month or two. He led a sort of gypsy's life, camping out in the woods and raiding houses and chicken coops at night.

A Bedford farmer constructed a barbed wire fence across Seven Mile creek when the water was low, and the recent heavy rains caused the fence wires to be submerged. He visited the stream the other morning and was surprised to find five fine brook trout, weighing not less than a pound each, caught on the barbs of the wire.

The state troops will be considerably ahead of their subsistence allowance of 75 cents a day while in camp. Their rations only cost 18 cents a day and the soldiers will draw the rest.

As a result of the work done at the recent Indian camp meeting in the Upper Peninsular 20 Indian children will leave for a three years' course at the government school, at Genoa, Neb.

While boring for water natural gas has been struck at a depth of 136 feet at the Bailey park, near Adrian. The flow is strong and Sam Bailey, who owns it, is happy as a clam in high tide.

The body of Charles S. Niles, of Toledo, who was drowned off the Monroe piers last Saturday, was found on the beach Thursday afternoon at Brest, five miles north where it washed ashore.

The famous camp meeting for Northern Michigan and Canada will commence at Saganing on the Saginaw bay, a few miles southeast of Standish, August 29, and continue about ten days.

The condition of Rep. Charles H. Brown, of Houghton, who was shot from ambush by some one unknown, is still serious, but his physicians believe he will recover. The bullet has not been located.

The business of the Pyrites Mining & Chemical Co., of Sebewaing was wound up last week and the closing of the mines means a sad blow to the village, as about $5,000 was paid out there monthly to employes.

City employes of Kalamazoo are suspected of stealing parts of bicycles picked up by the police and placed in headquarters for safe-keeping. Not a single bicycle is complete, something having been stolen from each.

Peter Shafer was seriously injured at Stephenson, Mich., while trying to steal a ride on a Northwestern passenger train. He was smashed between the engine and a tank. He was removed to the poorhouse in this city.

George Hemple fell from his rig at the Lenawee and Hillsdale counties farmers' picnic at Devil's Lake and received injuries that may prove fatal. George Olmstead was kicked by a horse and his collarbone and several ribs broken.

Wirt McClain, through his attorneys, has brought action against the Jackson & Battle Creek Traction Co., in the sum of $10,000 for damages alleged to have been received in an accident on that road, east of Parma, July 4, 1904.

While cooking a meal Miss Carrie [illegible], of Traverse City, was hit in the face by a spattering of hot grease. She threw up her hands, forgetting the cup of boiling water she held and her face was so badly scalded that both eyes are closed.

Alvin J. Cook, now of Ionia, Mich., who was believed by his relatives to have been killed in the civil war, or to have perished in a confederate prison, surprised his sister, Mrs. William D. Sherman, of Rutland, Vt., Saturday, by walking into her house.

President Stephen Corven, of Michigan's Mine Workers, is authority for the statement that the dullness in Michigan's coal mines the past summer has been due to overproduction of soft coal all over the country, and the lack of shipping facilities earlier in the season.

Omar, the 11-year-old son of William Conger, of Emmet, was accidentally and perhaps fatally injured Saturday. He climbed upon a wagon loaded with gravel and was unnoticed by the teamster. He fell off and the rear wheel passed over his body near the hips.

The 2-year-old child of Edward Glanse, of Menominee, died of poisoning from an overdose of laxberries. The box had been left within reach and three were eaten. The pills contained strychnine and beladonna. The child went into convulsions and died in agony.

R. Keepers, aged 32, of Iron Mountain, a section foreman on the Northwestern road, was found dead in the woods with a strap around his neck, one end being tied to a tree. The theory of suicide is advanced, but the motive is unknown. He disappeared Friday noon.

Mrs. Bert Johnston, of Montrose, had a narrow escape from death Monday night. By mistake she took a teaspoonful of aconite. Upon discovering the mistake a hurry-up call was made upon a physician, who after working upon her for an hour pulled her through.

Edward Chenoweth, proprietor of the old Dalton packing plant in Ishpeming, and Nicholas Webb, an employe, were fatally scalded Saturday. They were working under a tank of boiling tallow and the bottom dropped out, the contents coming upon them. Both will die.

A tramp entered the barn of J. C. Brown, in Quincy and built a nice fire on the barn floor by which to warm and dry himself, the night being stormy. He thought he extinguished the fire before he left, but he was mistaken, and the owner came very near losing the building.

John Flagg, who is employed at the Flint Sandstone Brick Co.'s plant, was seriously injured Monday night by the clutch of a windless giving way and letting the handle fly around. It struck him in the left side, breaking four ribs and causing internal injuries, which may result fatally.

Gov. Bliss is expected shortly to parole Edwin T. Bennett, former politician and newspaper owner and editor, who was sentenced to seven years in Jackson for manslaughter in connection with the death of Agnes Eberstein. The prison board recommended Bennett's parole September 23.

The growth of all business during the past decade has been large and the theater ventures have showed it. Only a few years ago Detroit had but three theaters, and it now has six. The Lafayette, the sixth one, is a finely arranged and decorated playhouse, where Mr. Ralph Cummings, an experienced and fine actor, has organized a strong stock company for the production of high grade plays at popular prices. The people of Detroit and the many visitors from the surrounding country makes the city a vantage point for such a play house.

If a man gets tired of leading a single life he should marry and be led.

A number of members of the First United States infantry, stationed at Fort Brady, American Soo, have returned from the Athens, O., encampment, where Corp. Clark was killed and four militiamen wounded in a melee with regulars. They attribute the trouble at Athens to over-officiousness of the militia provost guard and vicious reprisals on the part of the regulars, mostly recruits of the Fourteenth artillery detachment.

The hold-up mania has struck Marshall, and Charles Stage, a baker, is the first victim, having been held up by a masked man late Saturday night, and robbed of his pay, $40.

The News of the World Told by the Telegraph

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

HAND-TO-HAND.

The Deciding Battle, Desperate and Terrific, Is On.

Liao Yang, Aug. 30.—From 5 o'clock this morning up to 9 o'clock there has been an incessant shower of shrapnel. The heaviest cannonading is coming from the southeast, where the Japanese evidently have numerous guns. Deadly shells are bursting everywhere, their white smoke being distinctly traceable against the dark foliage on the mountain sides. The Japanese are searching the whole countryside with their fire, selecting certain squares of territory on which for a few moments they mass a hail of shot and shell from all their guns. They then pass to another square, thus working the whole field, with mathematical precision, from right to left. In this way the entire Russian front has been systematically searched in the first four hours of cannonading. Then commenced the general Japanese advance along the whole line.

At this hour, 10 a. m., the Japanese artillery fire has somewhat slackened, but their infantry is steadily pushing forward.

The Russians have been holding their ground gallantly and their losses are small, considering the terrible nature of the Japanese fire.

A body of Japanese troops reached a point five miles west of the railway station yesterday evening, but were dispersed.

Today is the anniversary of the birth of the Japanese emperor and the general advance was expected to signalize the event. Everybody is keyed up for the long awaited moment, and the soldiers face today's probable events with confidence.

"From early morning until noon yesterday in Liao Yang could be heard the dull rumble of distant guns. Then a lull of four hours ensued when, suddenly, firing reopened to the southeast heavier and nearer than before, and continued with but little intermission until darkness fell.

Every man last night slept at his post and dawn was expected to bring a day memorable in history.

Berlin, Aug. 30.—A dispatch from Liao Yang to the Lokal Anzeiger, timed 9:25 a. m. today, says:

"What appears to be the deciding battle began at 4 a. m. Since then the artillery has been thundering and rifle fire has been rolling incessantly. The encircling hights resemble fire-emitting mountains. The Japanese began the attack east of Liao Yang, along the Taitse river, but were repulsed.

"The firing is now specially heavy south and southwest of Liao Yang. One can no longer distinguish individual detonations. The Russian army is full of confidence.

"The total strength of the combatants engaged is estimated at over half a million men. The battle probably will continue for several days."

Col. Gaedke, correspondent of the Tageblatt at Liao Yang, telegraphed to his paper at noon today as follows:

"The deciding battle has been in progress since early dawn. The Russian positions are on the hights surrounding Liao Yang, making a semi-circle of about eight and a half miles from the railroad to the upper Taitse river and averaging about four and one-third miles from the city.

"A magnificent artillery duel is in progress. Since 11 o'clock it has reached extraordinary intensity."

War Reports.

Russian advices received in Che Foo say the Japanese assaults on Port Arthur Aug. 21 and Aug. 22 were repulsed with tremendous losses. It is added that the attempt of the Japanese to capture Fort No. 1 cost them 10,000 men, and that their attack on Fort Etsesban resulted in their losing 3,000 men killed or wounded. Fort Dalny is said to be filled with wounded men.

Two Russian torpedo boat destroyers struck mines at the entrance of Port Arthur Wednesday. The larger one of the destroyers, a four-funneled one, was sunk. The number of lives lost is unknown.

Field Marshal Oyama, the Japanese commander-in-chief, is understood to be with the besiegers of Port Arthur.

At the Russian headquarters in Liao Yang Gen. Kuroki's army is estimated at 100,000 men, Gen. Noduz's force at 70,000 and Gen. Oku's at 40,000. This is exclusive of divisions of about 30,000 men, moving up on the right bank of the Lia river.

According to the Chinese the Japanese have converted the branch railroad from New Chwang to Tashichao into a narrow gauge and are conveying thither 20 siege guns.

Munroe Knocked Out by Jeffries.

Jack Munroe, of Butte, Mont., went down and out before Jim Jeffries in the second round at San Francisco Friday night.

The hidden Boer treasure of $1,250,000, removed from Pretoria before the entrance of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, has been dug up by Mr. Kemp, a cousin of Gen. Kemp, in the northern Transvaal. The government will take one-half of the treasure.

Two men were killed and two others fatally injured by the falling of an elevator in a New York soap factory. On the elevator with the men when it fell were eight carboys of muriatic acid, each weighing 185 pounds. These broke open and all four men were badly burned.

Herman Smith, aged 52, shot and wounded Bertha Homberg, 15 years old, at her home in Elmhurst, New York, Sunday, and then shot and killed himself. Smith was a metal polisher by trade, and had boarded with the Homberg family for many years. He had been acting strangely. The girl will probably recover.

Prof. Carl Meyers, the aeronaut, who started in a race from the world's fair grounds, Sunday afternoon, for the Washington monument, returned to St. Louis, Sunday. Prof. Meyers landed near St. Charles because he feared he would be unable to catch an upper air current that would take him east. A card dropped from the balloon of George E. Tomlinson was picked up at Avon, Ill.

During the past year 16,258,932 acres of public lands were disposed of, the government netting $8,795,893. This shows a falling off in the public land boom of almost 6,000,000 acres sold and $2,000,000 received.

MUST FIGHT.

Japs Forcing the Fight on Three Sides and Battle Is On.

Liao Yang, Aug. 29.—The Japanese have transferred their activity to the Russian eastern and southern fronts. A rear guard battle is proceeding. The weather has improved and the roads are drying. Events, therefore, are likely to be precipitated.

The Japanese artillery resumed the battle at 6 o'clock this morning, the point of pressure being the Russian south front.

The Japanese infantry is now advancing to attack, the regiments deployed in open order.

The Russian army has effected its retirement, with transport and artillery, on Liao Yang and is now in position awaiting the advancing Japanese. The progress of the latter has been rapid and determined, sparing no sacrifice.

In the attack on the Siaolindzy position, one Japanese battalion lost all its officers.

The retirement of the Russian transport of four corps yesterday evening across the plain while the artillery and troops in the rear held off the Japanese, afforded a magnificent spectacle. All along the extended lines there was an incessant roar of batteries, the Russians working their guns with great coolness and not retiring until the transport was in safety.

Gen. Routkovsky was among the killed.

Athens, O., Rioters.

Report comes from Capt. Newcombe, stationed at Fort Sheridan, stating that Private William J. Gilligan, of the Fourteenth Battery, United States Artillery, had made a confession implicating five additional members of the battery in the killing of Corporal Clark during the recent military maneuvers in Athens, O. Those implicated are: Privates Johnston, Snyder, Barnett and Davidson and Sergt. Lott.

Gilligan says the affair was premeditated and that while it was not the desire of the men to commit murder, they went prepared for trouble and with the avowed purpose of releasing Private Kelley, of the battery, who early in the morning had been beaten into insensibility by several members of the provost guard.

A Philippino Suicide.

Christobal Salvator, a corporal in the Philippine constabulary, encamped at the world's fair, yesterday committed suicide by shooting. He was found in his tent with a Winchester rifle lying near him. He left a letter stating that ill-health caused him to take his life.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Miss Bessie Johnson, daughter of Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, has signed with Charles Frohman to play a part in "Brother Jack."

Gen. Funston has notified the war department that he is willing to take the detail of the department of the lakes made vacant by the transfer of Gen. Grant.

Albert Davis and Lave Fields, wife murderers, were hanged Wednesday at Rolling Fork, Ark., on the same scaffold. A large crowd witnessed the execution.

It is stated that after a protest of the awards in the Belgian draft horse class at the world's fair live stock exhibit, the entries of King Leopold, of Belgium, in that class, have been withdrawn from competition.

The marriage of Princess Clementine, of Belgium, and Prince Victor Napoleon is the latest court rumor. If the gossip proves true they are as badly matched a pair as can be found in the royal list of misfits.

While excavating for a new Baptist church parsonage at Portage, Wis., the workmen exhumed the remains of the famous explorer and trader, Pierre Paquette. Historians have been searching for years to discover his body.

James Smith, peddler, was fired at several times while spending the night at Francis Teal's house at West Haven and now he is seeking the arrest of a man of whom he got the better in a horse trade. He thinks this man did it in revenge.

Sam Watson, negro, shot and killed Frank Underwood, mine boss for the Crane Creek Coal & Coke Co., at Bluefield, W. Va., Thursday. A posse pursued Watson and a son of the murdered man avenged his father's death by shooting the assassin.

A combination of all leading raisin-seeding concerns on the Pacific coast has been formed to control the output and regulate prices and, as a preliminary, the new trust had bought from the Raisin Growers' association the entire carryover of last year's crop, amounting to 1,200 carloads.

Magnificent Parisian gowns valued at $500,000 were ruined by heavy rains which passed over the world's fair grounds. The gowns are in the palace of manufactures. The valuation is made by Marcel Estieu, acting commissioner-general of France, who has investigated the havoc wrought by the water.

Chinese are making a successful commercial invasion of Mexico. They are coming from the Orient in large numbers, and unlike their brothers who apply at United States ports, receive a warm welcome in Mexico. Work is at once given them and the Mexicanizing process makes them well to do in a few years.

Chief of Police Hahn, of Tamaqua, has introduced whipping post justice into Pennsylvania. He captured William Flynn, a mendicant, who was charged with terrorizing women who refused to give him alms, and, forcing him to stand against the jail door post, flogged him with a horsewhip.

A sensation was caused in financial and real estate circles in Washington when it became known that a petition in bankruptcy had been filed by three national banks against Thomas E. Waggaman, a prominent real estate and insurance agent, and treasurer of the Catholic university. It is said Waggaman has attempted to make the university a preferred creditor after becoming insolvent himself.

Dr. R. G. Lightle, who was supposed to have been burned in his barn at Searcy, Ark., May 22, and on whose death insurance companies paid $19,000 on policies, returned to Searcy and surrendered to a deputy sheriff.

WEEK'S FIGHTING.

Russian Line of Retreat Cut Off—Forts Captured.

The attack on the Russian position at Lian Chansian was in the nature of a feint, under which Kuroki and Oku have joined forces, cutting the railroad and placing a complete barrier across the Russian line of retreat. The fighting of the past week has been of the same desperate character that has marked the campaign previously. When possible the Russian positions have been outflanked, but when this could not be done the Japanese infantry has charged with desperate gallantry under the cover of a smothering artillery fire. Many positions have been carried at the point of the bayonet. The Russian losses are placed for the week at close to 3,000 men, while those of the Japanese are believed to have been heavier.

After the hardest fighting of the siege of Port Arthur, the Japanese have, according to reports reaching Che Foo, captured the Golden Hill forts and have entered the city itself from three directions. The Russians are contending every foot of the way, but are being forced back slowly but surely. Most of the supplies and ammunition has been transferred across the bay to the Tiger Tail and Liaotishan forts, and it is here the Russians will make their last stand.

Their positions can only be attacked by land on one side, and this over a difficult country under the full range of the guns of the forts. The Japanese losses are said to have been fearful in the last attacks, while the defenders lost fully a third of their men.

The Japanese warships aided greatly in the assault on the Golden Hill forts, which were not abandoned by Gen. Stoessel until they became absolutely untenable and all their guns were silenced.

Philip S. Heinley was rowing on the St. Clair river when he was struck by a passing steamer and capsized. He clung to the upturned boat until picked up by a launch.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Choice steers, $4 50@4 60; good to choice butcher steers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $3 75@4 00; light to good butcher steers and heifers, 700 to 900 lbs, $3 00@3 75; mixed butchers' fat cows, $2 75@3 25; canners, $1 00@2 00; common bulls, $2 50@2 50; good shippers' bulls, $3 00@3 50; common feeders, $2 75@3 10; good well-bred feeders, $3 25@3 85; light stockers, $2 50@2 75.

Milch cows and springers—Good grades steady but scarce, selling at $25@45.

Veal calves—Market strong, 50@75c higher; best grades, $6 00@7 00; others, $4 00@5 75.

Hogs—Light to good butchers, $5 35@5 46; pigs, $5 25; light yorkers, $5 30; roughs, $4 25@4 50; stags, 1-3 off.

Sheep—Best lambs, $5 60@5 90; fair to good lambs, $5 00@5 50; light to common lambs, $4 50@5 00; yearlings, $3 50@3 75; fair to good butcher sheep, $3 00@3 25; culls and common, $1 50@2 50.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5 50@6 10; poor to medium, $3 50@5 00; stockers and feeders, $2 00@3 90; cows, $1 50@4 50; heifers, $1 75@4 75; canners, $1 50@2 50; bulls, $2@4 15; calves, $4 00@6 25; Texas fed steers, $3@3 50; western steers, $3 10@3 50.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5 10@5 55; good to choice heavy, $5 30@5 45; rough heavy, $4 85@5 45; light, $5 30@5 60; bulk of sales, $5 25@5 45.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $3 50@4 25; fair to choice mixed, $3 25@3 75; native lambs, $4 25@6 00.

East Buffalo—Best export, $5.25@5.60; shipping, $4.75@5.15; 1,200 to 1,500 lb. good butchers, $4.25@4.65; 1,050 to 1,200 lb. fair to good, $3.85@4.25; 900 to 1,000 lb. heifers, choice, $4@4.25; 900 to 1,100 lb. fair to good, $3.50@3.75; 700 to 850 lb. common to fair, $2.75@3.25; 600 to 700 lb. bulls, export, $3@3.50; 1,400 to 1,800 lb. butchers, $3@3.25; 1,100 to 1,300 lb. bologna, $2.50@2.75.

Hogs—Mixed, $5.60@5.95; medium, $5.60@5.90; heavy, $5.50@5.90; yorkers, $5.60@5.90; pigs, $5.50@5.75; hogs closed strong, few unsold.

Sheep—Best lambs, $6.10@6.25; fair to good, $5.75@6; culls common, $4@5; yearlings, $4.50@4.75; mixed sheep, $3.75@4; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; culls bucks, $2@3; wethers, $4.25@4.50; ewes, $3.75.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit.—Wheat—No. 1 white, closed $1 11; No. 2 red, closed $1 11; August, 5,000 bu at $1 10, 5,000 bu at $1 11, 2,000 bu at $1 11½, 5,000 bu at $1 12; September, 10,000 bu at $1 10, 5,000 bu at $1 10½, 8,000 bu at $1 10¾, 5,000 bu at $1 11½, 5,000 bu at $1 12; December, 5,000 bu at $1 11, 5,000 bu at $1 11¾, 10,000 bu at $1 12, 5,000 bu at $1 12¼, 5,000 bu at $1 12¾, 10,000 bu at $1 13; May, 5,000 bu at $1 12½, 10,000 bu at $1 13, 10,000 bu at $1 13¼, 5,000 bu at $1 13¾, 5,000 bu at $1 14½.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 55c; No. 3 yellow, 58c.

Oats—No. 3 white, 6 cars at 34½c, 10 cars at 34¼c, 5 cars at 34c.

Chicago—Wheat—No. 2 spring, $1 10; No. 3, $1@1 08; No. 2 red, $1 05⅝.

Corn—No. 2, 53¼c; No. 2 yellow, 54½c.

Oats—No. 2, 31¾c; No. 2 white, 34½@35c; No. 3 white, 33½@34½c.

Rye—No. 2, 73½@74½c.

Barley—Good feeding, 40@43c; fair to choice malting, 47@53c.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending Sept. 3.

LYCEUM THEATER—"At the Old Cross Roads." Wed. and Sat. Evenings, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c.

LAFAYETTE THEATRE—"The Mysterious Mr. Bugle." Prices, 15, 25, 35 and 50. Matinees Monday, Wednesday, Saturday; best seats 25c.

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

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

WHITNEY THEATER—"Across the Pacific." Matinee, 10c, 15c, 25c. Evenings 10, 20 and 30c.

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.

Clyde Fitch, the playwright, was slightly injured Wednesday in a collision between his automobile and a horse, near Greenwich, Ct.

The supreme lodge, Knights of Pythias, which has been in session since the closing of the biennial, decided officially to recognize the Rathbone Sisters, a woman's auxiliary organization.

Twelve adults and twenty-three children are homeless as a result of what is thought to be the incendiary fire which has burned over Fourth Plain, five miles east of Vancouver, Wash., for two days.

The attendance at the world's fair last week was more than 125,000 in excess of any week since the exposition opened. The average daily attendance was 132,245.

Three persons will probably die as a result of the explosion of a frankfurter boiler in the apartment of Israel Roseneweig, in a New York tenement Sunday.

Jealous because of the attentions paid his stepdaughter, Augusta Guth, by her sweetheart, Edward Moeller, Lorenz Lebtsch, of Chicago, Sunday night attempted to kill both with a revolver and then ended his own life in his home.