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Speaking of straw votes, did anybody ever hear of one that didn't go the faker's way?

Ballooning is a very pretty way of traveling if you aren't anxious to get anywhere in particular.

The racing automobile is all right in its proper place, but it doesn't seem to have found the place yet.

It is the opinion of every mother that a boy never loses an opportunity for attempting to break his neck.

How disappointed George Gould would be if that dog for which he has just paid $5,000 should ever bite him.

As she knows where she is apt to get it, China is wearing a high collulloid collar with gun metal fastenings.

The sultan of Turkey has 171 titles, but Man-Who-Keeps-His-Promises-and-Pays-His-Debts-Promptly is not one of them.

The death of Hole-in-the-Day, chief of the Chippewas, leaves a hole in the western landscape that never can be filled.

There is another new language which is called by its builders "Spokil." Obviously it never can be sp—ke w—ll.

The sultan of Turkey has seventy-six titles, but the best plan is to call him with a gun when you want him to respond promptly.

Perhaps Vesuvius started that eruption now, knowing that it couldn't attract any attention after the spellbinders get to talking.

May Irwin has a plan to keep the men from going out between acts. Perhaps she is going to offer them a few drops of the curtain.

Sir Thomas Lipton is making arrangements for another contribution to one of the largest and most expensive scrap piles ever reared.

Mr. John Munroe, late of the pugilistic ring, was born in Chester, Pa. And he is without pugilistic honor now in his own or any other country.

An Alabama negro went to the gallows smoking a cigar. If it was a campaign cigar it must have gone a long way toward reconciling him to his fate.

Korea's emperor has decided to accept Japanese sovereignty. This information comes to him from Japanese headquarters, so he is bound to believe it.

Louise, the eloping princess, announces that she is going to expose some scandals in high life. If anybody can do it Louise would seem to be the lady.

Lipton is bound to prove that Great Britain can beat the United States at the yachting game, even if he has to get an American designer to build the boat to do it.

Munroe's share of the gate receipts of the fight with Jeffries was $6,166 and Jefferies' was $9,156. Mr. Munroe earned his money, whether Mr. Jeffries earned his share or not.

Persons who wish to "enthuse" or do a "stunt" may do so, according to the latest dictionary, with the express understanding that they become thereby colloquial and slangy.

The Englishman who has rejected an offer of $10,000 compensation for seven years' unjust imprisonment is certainly taking the right course—unless $10,000 is all that he can get.

We read about a victim of a car accident who is "suffering from contusions on the left side." A contusion is a bruise, of course, but how much worse contusion sounds!

It is just possible also that before the diggers of that twelve mile hole could get half way down to the desired depth the center of the earth might rise up in hot and indignant protest.

Sir William Harcourt is, according to the London Chronicle, "the most weighty member of parliament, in body as well as in character." But he has a grown-up son whose first name is Lulu.

The cable tells us that the world's record grouse bag was made Aug. 21 at Broomfield, near Sheffield, Eng., by Rymington Wilson and eight other guns. The hunters bagged 2,748 birds —and they ought to be ashamed of it.

Newport chauffeurs are being sent to jail for scorching. The rich ones for and by whom they are hired to scorch are supposed to be sufficiently punished in having to live without scorching while the sentences are being served.

The robber who looted the Adirondack camps of thousands of dollars' worth of jewelry and silverware is a reformer, and ought to have a monument. What do these vulgarians want to take all those gewgaws into a woods camp for?

That new reflecting telescope with a five foot aperture that is going to be added to the Harvard observatory equipment will be used mainly for photographic work, and not to help Prof. William Pickering to look at his alleged flower gardens on the moon.

The New York woman who left directions in her will that she should be buried in a plain and simple cream colored silk dress, with real thread lace ruffles round the neck and sleeves of the same color, with each to match, was an old maid, of course.

THE NEWS OF MICHIGAN.

ALL LET OFF WITH FINES.

Five Grand Rapids Water Deal Respondents Sentenced.

Five of the ex-city officials of Grand Rapids, who pleaded guilty last winter to charges of bribery in connection with the water deal scandals, appeared in the superior court Saturday morning for sentence. Judge Newnham read them a severe lecture on their conduct, and said that the severest punishment for them was one that he could not impose, the penalty of having to live through life with the brand of shame upon them. Considering that they would have to suffer that, he said, he should impose upon them only fines equal to the amounts they had been paid by Salsbury for their part in the deal.

Ex-Ald. James McCool and Clark A. Sherman paid their fines of $500 each and were released. Ex-Ald. Ghysels, ex-Commissioner of Public Works Bissell and ex-City Clerk Lamoreux not being prepared to pay, they were allowed an extension of one week in which to raise the money. Ghysels and Bissell must each pay $500 and Lamoreux $1,500, those being the amounts they pleaded guilty to having accepted from Salsbury.

Desperate Deed.

Mrs. Will Wilson, 23 years old, arose early Friday morning and cut her throat from ear to ear. She cannot live. Mrs. Wilson's home is near Ionia, and she came to Lake Odessa last week to take care of her mother, who is very ill. The strain under which she was placed is believed to have affected her mind. She arose at 4 o'clock in the morning, and awaking her father, asked him for a razor with which to trim a corn that she said was troubling her. When her father arose at 5 o'clock he was horrified to see the body of his daughter lying on the back porch, and her throat cut from ear to ear. She was lying on her back and the razor was underneath her. Life was still alive when found, but cannot live. Her family relations have always been pleasant. She is the mother of one little girl.

Cruel Murder.

In a moment of insane jealousy and anger, as it appears, William F. Norton, of Milwaukee, Wis., shot his wife six months, who was Miss Theresa H. Cluney, of Detroit, almost instantly killing her. He is now in the hands of the Milwaukee police, and the remains of his victim lie in a Calvary cemetery, in that city, while, in Detroit a heartbroken father, Michael Cluney, of 788 Sixteenth street, mourns the loss of one who was always a dutiful and loving daughter.

Want Money.

Warden Vincent, of the Jackson prison, has prepared a bill of appropriations which he will present to the next legislature for the disposal of the prison. It includes $1,000 for stationery and blank books, $12,900 for general repairs, $6,908 for tool-proof grating for the main building, $1,200 for garden and lawn, $880 for fire hose, $750 for detention cells, $13,296 for a new shop and $20,478 for new machinery.

Remarkable Escape.

Louis Beaubien, of Negaunee, attempted to pass in front of the northbound fast freight on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, and was struck by the engine and hurled about 30 feet from the track. Those who witnessed the accident were stricken with horror, but were much surprised to see him get up on his feet. He walked home unassisted and is none the worse for his experience, save for a slight bruise.

Shot to Kill.

John Schave, an aged widower of Montague, went to the home of Mrs. Hattie Hollister, to whom he had been paying much attention, and tried to get her to consent to marry him. She refused, and he shot her through the right breast, inflicting a wound which will prove fatal. Schave then went to his own house and shot himself through the breast, dying an hour later, after confessing the crime.

Tried in October.

Notices of trial in the celebrated railroad taxation cases have been signed by Attorney General Blair and the cases will be placed on the docket of the October term of the United States district court, which begins on October 4. Mr. Blair expects that the cases will be reached for argument during his term of office as attorney general.

Twas Easy for Warden Fuller.

Warden Fuller's request for special appropriations to the amount of $7,600 for the reformatory for the next two years was so very modest that the board of control quickly approved the amount at their last regular meeting. The general condition of the buildings is better than at any time before.

Stands by Her Father.

George W. Payne, sent from Allegan, March 16, 1904, to the reform school for alleged criminal assault on his daughter, seeks a pardon, claiming his innocence. Recently testimony was taken from his daughter, now 17 years, here at the industrial school at Adrian, and she denied the affair in toto.

Takes a Bride

Hon. Henry C. Smith, of Adrian, was married to Miss Grace Virginia Bassett, a prominent young society belle of Tiffin, O., at the home of her parents in the southern city. The event comes as a complete surprise to Mr. Smith's many friends as they were not aware that he contemplated such a step. After an extended foreign trip the couple will take up their residence in Adrian.

About 1,500 people attended the reunion of the Berrien county battalion at Galien.

There was an odd meeting in Muskegon Tuesday. Mrs. Mary Walman, of Detroit, went there to see her sister, Mrs. Alexander Watterson. Mrs. Walman is 60 years old and Mrs. Watterson 40. The older sister left home before the younger sister was born and this was the first time they ever saw each other.

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

STATE TAXES.

Over a Million Less Than Last Year—The Apportionment

The taxpayers of Michigan will be called upon to pay this year $2,954,692.98 for the support of the state government. Last year the levy on the taxable property of the state was $4,062,024.82. Last year's levy was nearly a million dollars in excess of any previous levy, and this year the levy again becomes normal. The auditor-general made the announcement of the apportionment of taxes Wednesday. The purposes for which the taxes are levied are as follows:

State university, $297,525; state agricultural college, $100,000; Michigan State Normal college, $103,210; Central Michigan Normal school, $55,560; Northern State Normal school, $27,985; Western State Normal school, $27,000; Michigan College of Mines, $55,450; state library, $14,000; Michigan Soldiers' Home, $154,875; Home for Feeble Minded and Epileptic, $192,300; State public school, $35,000; School for the Deaf, $88,200; School for the Blind, $32,000; Employment Institute for the Blind, $25,000; Industrial School for Boys, $76,250; Industrial Home for Girls, $66,000; state board of fish commissioners, $32,100; copying records in adjutant-general's office, $1,250; state dairy and food commissioner, $25,000; dairymen's association, $300; state library commissioners, $800; Michigan national guard, $50,000; $500.80; state naval brigade, $12,650.98; state board of health, $6,500; state weather service, $1,000; State Agricultural College, $6,000; State Horticultural society, $1,500; forestry reserve, $7,500; geological survey, $1,750; State Pioneer and Historical society, $3,370; state library department, $5,600; current expenses of prisons, $110,000; current expenses of asylums, $964,117.10; general purposes, $500,000; aggregate of state tax, $2,954,692.98.

An Old Veteran.

Silas K. Pierce, aged 72, was found dead in a chair in the lobby of the Morton house, Grand Rapids, Wednesday. He was an old soldier, a brother of Gen. Byron R. Pierce, and of E. S. Pierce, assistant sergeant-at-arms in congress. He formerly lived in Ionia furniture city, then in Lansing, and of late had been living in Detroit. Heart disease was the cause of death. He was a captain in the First Michigan Infantry in the war.

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

The reunion of the Northeastern Sailors and Soldiers' association was held at Otter Lake.

The fire which raged in Luther Tuesday caused losses which will aggregate her less than $50,000.

Three of the stores which were destroyed in the recent fire at Carson City, are already being rebuilt.

Porch climbers are around Muskegon, and several residences have been entered and valuable property stolen.

Occasionally men are candidates for office because they can't help it, but usually it's because the people can't help it.

The thirty-third reunion of the Eighth Michigan cavalry was held at Davisburg, 45 veterans responding to roll call.

The poisonous bite of a spider it is supposed to have caused the death of little Harold Bernard, aged 14 months, of Delray.

The old hotel known as the Riggs house on the Linden road in Fenton, was destroyed by fire, together with its contents. Loss, $1,500.

These Michigan postoffices will be raised to presidential class October 1: Algonac, postmaster's salary $1,000; Galesburg, $1,000; Wells, $1,200.

The 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hahn, of Harbor Springs, fell into a boiler of water late Wednesday afternoon and was drowned.

About 300 delegates attended at Port Huron the twenty-seventh annual reunion of soldiers and sailors of Sanilac, Huron and St. Clair counties.

There were 2,593 deaths in Michigan during the month of August, an increase of 87 over the previous month. The death rate was 12.1 per 1,000 population.

The cold weather means a saving of thousands of dollars to fruit growers, as warm weather would have ripened fruit so rapidly that the market would have been glutted.

In a large majority of the districts of the state the demand for teachers far exceeds the supply. Many schools have not yet started, and the school trustees are in a quandry.

The Michigan Co-operative league, the colored men's organization of the state, has sold its state convention and Lincoln memorial celebration at Battle Creek September 22.

The 1-year-old child of Nicholas Powers, of Brookfield, drank a quantity of kerosene from a tin pail and died soon "struck oil" with the stomach pump and saved the child's life.

The remains of August Henkelman, shot by Detective John Buhr, of Detroit, Monday, Tuesday afternoon in a pauper's grave in Forest Lawn cemetery. His stepmother has no means. She says his mother died when he was a boy of 10 years, and that he was never told of her death. His father died some years ago.

Gypsies are suspected of committing nightly depredations round about Owosso. A horse and carriage belonging to O. E. Benoy, was stolen from the streets and has not been recovered. The residences of Edmund Vincent, 1 mile southeast of Morrill, Merrill, and Banghart and George Richards, all living in the vicinity of Burton, Owosso county, were plundered. Wagon loads of clothing, chickens and bicycles have been carried away.

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

St. Joseph, for its size, is the champion litigation city in the country. Within the next year it has defended six damage cases resulting in personal claims for injuries received on defective sidewalks, collapse of the city jail, overflow of sewerage, etc. The jailer of the seventh suit has just been filed. West Bay City lays claim to having defended the most sidewalk damage cases, having handled thirteen in one year. These cost the city a little more than $1,000, the greater number of decisions being in favor of the city.

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Branch county farmers, who are anxiously watching a splendid corn crop slowly maturing were given a big scare Tuesday. At sundown that evening the thermometers marked below 50 degrees.

Residents of Hartford who have friends or relatives buried in the city cemeteries are registering a vigorous kick against the vandals who enter the cemeteries and steal every flower placed on the graves.

The Dupont Powder Co., the trust, has purchased 40 acres of land on the northern city limits for the storage of powder, dynamite and other high explosives, making Monroe a distributing point for three states.

Ralph Fitzpatrick, aged 20, for taking the fare of another passenger on a Lake Shore train, was arrested and fined $31.50, including costs. He cannot pay and goes to the Detroit house of correction for 45 days.

A new trial has been granted to Frank E. Hutchings, of Detroit, by the supreme court. Hutchings was convicted of securing $187.31 from the Wayne County Savings bank on a draft made payable to Mrs. C. E. Price.

Julius Buchholtz, of Chicago, visiting at Benton Harbor, recently went hunting. He got on the track of what he supposed was a badger, and shot the animal. It proved to be a monster woodchuck, and weighed 20 pounds.

Saginaw Arbeiters have made the city a proposition in the way of providing an auditorium to be used for large conventions and large public gatherings. They offer to enlarge their hall sufficiently to accommodate any crowd.

At camp S. near Deward, Tuesday morning, Harry Long, a young man from Gladwin, employed in loading logs, was struck by a chain and almost instantly killed, his skull being fractured. The remains were taken to Frederick.

Charlotte and Hastings have put manual training departments in the fifth, sixth and seventh grades of their schools. The two towns hire one teacher on a co-operative plan, she spending part of the week at one place and part at the other.

Swindlers have been at work in the vicinity of Galesburg the past few days trying to work the old game of getting a farmer to sign a contract which later turns up at a bank as a promissory note. None of those approached, so far as known, "fell."

John Huston, Durand's only policeman, is now the proud possessor of a brand new policeman's suit. "Uncle" John, as he is familiarly known, feels that he must be respected, as he is "there with the goods," to use his own phrase.

The village of Tekonsha has gained three inhabitants, according to the last census, and owing to the great demand for houses it would seem as though the place had gained at least 300. Several families are unable to obtain shelter.

Joseph England is dead at Pontiac, aged 66 years. He was born in England and came to this country when a boy. He acquired considerable property in Waterford township and held several township offices. He is survived by a widow.

Durand was an exceedingly busy town last week on account of the state fair at Detroit. Thousands of people headed for the fair, changed cars at Durand, and sometimes several hundred were sidetracked for hours at a time, unable to get trains.

The price of peppermint oil has reached the $3.60 a pound mark, says the Bangor Advance. The past few weeks one man drew a load to the station containing 2,800 pounds of the oil, for which he received $9,603. This is without doubt one of the most valuable loads of produce ever marketed in Michigan.

Levi Rivers, of Escanaba, recently celebrated his 100th birthday. He is still active, and is at present visiting his granddaughter in Manistique. He clearly remembers the war of 1812, in which he was drafted into the British army and taken to Canada. He secured his freedom and returned to this country, where he has since made his home.

George Witten, of Saginaw, a councilman, is happy over the prospect of receiving a legacy of $4,000,000 as his share of his grandfather's estate in London. The latter was a banking and tea trade, as his grandfather gave another man a life lease of the property. The man recently died and his son is managing the business and using the revenues.

Great damage from floods is reported along the Rio Grande river in Texas. The river is up 21 feet at Laredo, and many thousands of acres of irrigated farms are inundated between that place and Hidalgo, a distance of 200 miles. The towns of Ignacio, Roma and other small settlements on both sides of the river are said to be badly undated and many houses are washed away. Parts of the towns of Carrizo and Rio Grande City are under water. It is feared that many lives have been lost.

A Chicago firm which recently purchased the Sherwood farm of 105 acres, west of Kalamazoo, has commenced laying out the land and building streets. A portion of the land will be given over to a park, and landscape gardeners have been engaged to install flower beds and beautify the whole terrifory. There will be a wide boulevard on the north and south sides of the grave which will also be used as a park. The natural rivercourse through the property, and the ditches will be one of the prettiest in the vicinity of Kalamazoo.

While Mrs. Marion Nichols, of Lima, Ind., was visiting in Toledo she discovered a bicycle in front of a meat market that looked strangely familiar. Upon closer examination and inquiries she found that it was her own wheel, which had been stolen from in front of a store in Lima several weeks ago. A boy had been offering the bike for sale at bargain, but learning that the owner was up on the scene he made tracks before the officers could lay hands on him.

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THE NEWS OF THE WORLD.

JAPS ADVANCING ON MUKDEN

Russians Will Retreat to Tie Pass and Give Battle.

The war office admits that while Kuropatkin has sufficient troops to fight at Mukden, he will not make a stand there. When the Japanese advance Mukden will be abandoned and the battle fought at the Pass, which is now held by the bulk of the Russian forces and is strongly fortified.

The Japanese are advancing slowly with a broad front, the left resting on the Liao river, and the right on the mountains, probably the Fushun coal mines, 27 miles eastward. The Russian troops have improved their spirits. Chinese officials are suspected of secretly aiding the Japanese.

It is rumored that a sudden call has been issued to officers of the guard regiments, stationed at St. Petersburg, to report for service at the front. According to report the order directs that eight out of a total of 56 officers of each regiment should be chosen by lot and drafted to serve with regiments now in the far east. It is stated that the order has aroused great discontent. Whole regiments are anxious to go to the theater of war; but the officers intensely dislike the prospect of the organizations being split up.

STARVATION.

Japs Will Abandon Asshuit and Starve Port Arthur.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister in London, is quoted as saying: Before the war we demanded that Russia recognize China's sovereignty over Manchuria. Today, after our victories and expenses, we are no longer content with our demand. After the fall of Port Arthur our conditions will be still more extreme, and after taking Vladivostok they will be yet more extreme.

The next battle will be at Tie Pass. We shall continue hostilities throughout the winter. We have given up the plan of taking Port Arthur by assault and will compel its capitulation by famine. Its fall would free 30,000 men and enable them to reinforce our northern army, but we do not need them just now.

Japs Moving Again.

Advices from Mukden and an official report to St. Petersburg indicate that the Japanese forces are again on the move. Gen. Kuropatkin's reconnaissance establishes the fact that they are massing on his east flank and bodies of Japanese are moving up the Liao river valley. St. Petersburg, however, believes that a serious Japanese movement is not immediately at hand, but that it will require some weeks for Marshal Oyama to be in shape for another attack.

In the meantime the Russians continue to fortify Tie Pass, and statements that Kuropatkin will not abandon Mukden are received in St. Petersburg with some skepticism.

St. Petersburg expects the Japanese to now redouble their efforts before Port Arthur and another sortie of the fleet is expected.

Emperor Orders Second Army.

Acting upon the advice of his military advisers, Emperor Nicholas has decided to form a second Manchurian army. It will be formed of the corps which are being sent to the far east and Liao-Yang. Limevitch probably will be given the command of the second army. Gen. Kuropatkin will become chief of both armies, but probably without the title of commander-in-chief.

It is this impending reorganization which seems to have led to the countless rumors and reports afloat here of Kuropatkin's supersession. Viceroy Alexieff as commander-in-chief of the army, the latter's resignation, etc., but the Associated Press investigations indicate that the above is the real situation.

Exact Russian Losses in Liao Yang Fight.

Exact figures of Russian losses in killed, wounded and missing in operations before Liao Yang from August 13 to August 26 have been received by the general staff, according to the Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent. These amount to two generals, 256 officers and 21,800 soldiers. In addition 133 guns were lost. The material losses include fortifications costing $30,000,000.

They Must Remain.

The request of the Russian government that the officers and crew of the dismantled Russian cruiser Lena be allowed to return to Russia was refused by President Roosevelt.

"A Long, Long Walk."

Louis Madrigal, a 19-year-old boy, who started from Lima, Peru, Sept. 15, 1902, has arrived at St. Louis after a walk of 7,000 miles, believed to be the longest journey ever made on foot. Madrigal is a deaf mute. He carries as a witness to his remarkable journey a set of books, which contain the certificates of the mayors, postmasters, railroad agents and officials in more than 500 cities and towns through which he has passed on the trip. In the collection are the autographs of four presidents of Central and South American republics, the seals of several governors of the United States, and the signatures of numerous minor officials.

CONDENSED.

William Schneider's shoe and furnishing goods store in Hurley was completely cleaned out by burglars Wednesday night.

Emperor William's interest in and partiality for Americans is shown by the dispatch of a number of large signed portraits of his majesty to sending as personal gifts to Americans with whom he has had social relations. The emperor has also paid especial courtesies to American military officers who have been attending the maneuvers at Altona.

The immense Pullman car works at Pullman, Ill., are shut down and practically everything at the company's 7,000 employes is idle. The workmen were told to take their tools with them when they left the works, and from this fact that a considerable period of idleness confronts them.

Capt. Berlinsky, commanding the Russian ship Lena, at San Francisco, has informed Rear-Admiral Goodrich that he desires to dismantle his ship and has asked as to the extent to which this dismantlement should be made.

Six thousand people sleep in the open air in London every night.

MARCH TO HARBIN BEGUN.

Kuropatkin's Pain to Winter There to Be Carried Out.

Paris, September —The correspondent of the Matin at Che Foo says he learns from an official source that the Japanese are preparing for a decisive attack upon Port Arthur and that troops are daily being landed at Dalny with powerful cannon.

Simmintin, September 17.—A report has reached here to the effect that the Russians have already begun to retire toward Harbin, and have been carrying out this move for several days. The report comes from Chinese sources, and while it cannot be confirmed, nevertheless is accorded some credit. Military men here say the report is plausible, and would merely indicate that Gen. Kuropatkin is carrying out the plan he has claimed to have had in view since the beginning of the war, but which instructions from St. Petersburg prevent him from carrying out.

By retiring to Harbin, it is pointed out, the Russian commander would increase the distance between the Japanese front and base to such an extent as greatly to lessen the advantages which they have hitherto gained by the shortness of their line of communications, and the ease with which supplies and reinforcements could be sent from Japan to lower Manchurian points. If a winter campaign is to be fought, the difficulties will, of course, be still greater and will greatly accrue to Kuropatkin's advantage, and increase his chances of success.

Japanese Tobacco.

Field Marshal Oyama, commanding the Japanese forces in Manchuria, telegraphed today as follows:

An investigation of the trophies captured by us, made since my last report, shows the number of Russian bullion bags occupied by us in the neighborhood of Liao Yang station to be 363 thousand yen and 214 wagonloads, covering an area of 38,000 square yards. We also seized 20,300 bushels of barley, rice, wheat and millet, 1,300 cases of provisions, 1,800 cases of ammunition, 100 loads of coal and much cordwood. The amount of coal captured by Gen. Kuroki will be reported later.

French Shrapnel Shells' Deadly Effect.

The grand maneuvers just concluded at Dijon have shown the development of scientific warfare since the Franco-German war. The guns used throw shells which burst into 240 deadly fragments, whereas the shells used in the war of 1870-71 only broke into 30 fragments. The present French shrapnel shells are calculated to scatter 400 deadly particles, whereas the former shrapnel shells only scattered 37 particles.

Orthodox Jews Mob Socialists.

A riot of enormous proportions was marked in London by serious rioting in the Jewish quarter of the east end. Over 2,000 Jews engaged in a disturbance that nearly 200 police had to be called out before the disorder was quelled.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Emil Thomas, formerly one of the most artistic comedians on the German stage, is dead in Berlin, aged 65. He made a tour of the United States in 1882-83.

The attendance at the St. Louis exposition last week for the first time exceeded one million; the exact figures were 1,027,918. Total attendance to date, 11,022,430.

The dearest wish of Queen Helen and King Victor Emmanuel of Italy has been granted and there is rejoicing in the royal boudoir over the safe arrival of the tiny heir to the throne.

Seventy-five members of the Ninth Michigan infantry attended the thirty-first annual reunion of the regiment at Howell. Gen. H. M. Duffield, of Detroit, presided at the meetings.

Mrs. Mary T. Thatcher, 45 years old, wife of George Thatcher, the minstrel, committed suicide at her home in West One Hundred and Sixth street, New York, Saturday night, by inhaling gas. She was said to have suffered from a nervous trouble, and this is thought to have caused her to take her life. Mrs. Thatcher inherited $50,000 only a few months ago from an uncle in Philadelphia.

During a band concert at the corner of Fairmount and Frank streets, Cleveland, Sunday evening, a lead pipe loaded with powder and dynamite was exploded with malicious intent, the police believe, and Pasquale Ferrito, of 53 Hudson street, and Walter Cox, 13 years old, of 1464 Columbus street, probably fatally injured. Pasquale's back was torn away and Cox had a leg blown off. Rivalry between two families in the district is said to be the cause of much ill-feeling.

As the result of the jealousy of a rival lover, John Harris, of Martinsburg, W. Va., a well-known negro, is in custody charged with the murder of Miss Hattie Hollins, a white girl. Miss Hollins is so severely cut that she may not recover. The house in which they had gathered for a dance was blown to pieces by dynamite, and Miss Hollins and John Thomson are in jail charged with murder. Hollins and Harris were rivals for the hand of the Smith woman, and it is supposed that in helping Hollins to steal the dynamite and place it under the house.

Gov. Terrell, of Georgia, has ordered a regular martial to decide as to whether or not Capt. Mitch, Lieut. Meil, Lieut. Griner, Lieut. Cone and Lieut. Morrison were derelict in their duty during the recent lynching at Statesboro. The court martial will convene at Savannah Sept. 29. The report of the court of inquiry amounts practically to an indictment of the officers in charge of the troops at Statesboro.

The German government will ask the reichstag this year to increase the strength of the army, probably by 20,000 or 30,000 men, so that part of the 100,000 young men of the empire, who have been rejected each year, can be trained.

John Ware, a negro, was lynched in Franklin county, Georgia, Sunday, for fatally shooting Chief of Police Young Daniel and the negro had some words over a trivial matter. It is said the negro, becoming greatly enraged, and swearing that no white man should run over him, drew a pistol and shot Daniel, inflicting a wound that will prove fatal. Many people left church to join in the pursuit for the negro, who, when caught, was placed astride a horse, the noose fitted about his neck and the other end of the rope thrown over a limb. The horse was then struck a sharp blow and galloped away, leaving the negro dangling in midair.

New York and Colorado.

Lieut.-Gov. Frank W. Higgins, the man backed in the governorship race by Gov. Odell, was unanimously nominated Wednesday afternoon by the Republican state convention at Saratoga, N. Y. His opponent was Mr. Woodruff, who was backed by Senator Platt. The platform is a strong indorsement of Roosevelt.

By their nomination by acclamation of Gov. James H. Peabody, and the adoption of a positive platform, Republicans of Colorado have given indorsement to the governor's acts during the recent strikes in the mining camps of the state. They platform says:

"We indorse and approve the administration of Gov. James H. Peabody. We urge all good citizens, regardless of vocation, and irrespective of party affiliations, to join in supporting him for reelection, thus sternly rebuking the spirit of lawlessness which would turn popular government into irresponsible despotism and through unprincipled agitators keep alive the fires of class hatred, lawlessness and treason.

"We affirm the right of every person, whether union or non-union, to labor when, where and for such wages as he deems best, and to enter freely into whatever contract he may choose. We recognize the right of laboring men to organize and to combine into associations and to organize into lawful unions for the accomplishment of lawful objects by lawful methods. We affirm the right of either to exceed such bounds."

The Elixir of Life.

A special cable from London says: According to an interview with Prof. Elie Metchnikoff, of the Pasteur institute, the nearest approach to an elixir of life is sour milk. Anyone desiring to attain ripe old age is recommended by the professor to follow the example of the Bulgarians, who are noted for their longevity and who consume large quantities of this beverage.

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

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, $4 50@4 75; good steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs., $3 75@4 50; good to choice heifers that are fat, 800 to 1,000 lbs. $3 60@3 85; fair to good, $3 25@3 50; best fat cows, $2 50@3 25; common cows, $1 75@2 25; canners, $1 25@1 75; choice heavy bulls, $3@3 50; fair to good bologna bulls, $2 50@2 75; stock bulls, $2 25@2 50; feeding steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs, $3@3 50; fair feeding steers, 800 to 900 lbs, $2 75@3; best stockers, 500 to 700 lbs, $2 75@3; fair stockers, $2 50@2 75; best stock heifers, $2 15@2 30; milkers, large, young, medium age, $35@45; common milkers, $20@30.

Veal calves—Good grades strong; common, 50@75c lower; tops 30 fragments. The present French shrapnel shells are calculated to scatter 400 deadly particles, whereas the former shrapnel shells only scattered 37 particles.

Hogs—Mixed and heavy butchers, $5 45@5 50; yorkers, $5 20@5 30; pigs, $5 45@5 60; rough heavy, $5 20@5 30; right, $5 45@5 60; stags, one-third off.

Sheep—Best lambs, $5 50@5 65; fair to good, $5 25@5 50; best yearling wethers, $4 @4 25; yearlings $4@4 75; fair to good butchers' sheep, $2 75@3 25; culls and common, $1 50@2 50.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5 40@6 25; fancy export steers, $6 25@6 75; common to good steers, $3@5; cows, $1 25@4; heifers, $2 25@5; calves, $1 25@6; bulls, $2@4 10; calves, $6 75; Texas feed steers, $4 50@5 50; western steers, $3 50@4 75.

Hogs—Mixed and heavy butchers, $5 45@5 60; rough heavy, $5 20@5 30; right, $5 45@5 60; pigs, $5 50@5 60; bulk of sales at $5 40@5 50.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $3 50@4 25; fair to choice mixed, $2 50@3 50; native lambs, $4@6 20.

East Buffalo—Cattle: Best export steers, $4 60@5 25; best 1,200 to 1,350-lb. shipping steers, $4 30@4 75; good 1,050 to 1,150-lb. butcher steers, $3 75@4 20; 900 to 1,000-lb. butcher steers, $3 50@4; best fat cows, $3@3 50; good to fair to good, $2 75@3; best fat heifers, $3 25@3 50; good to fair, $2 75@3 25; best fat heifers, grassers, $2 50@2 75; common stock heifers, $2 25@2 50; best feeding steers, $3 50@3 75; best yearling steers, $2 75@3; common yearlings, $2 50@2 75; best stockers, $2 50@2 75; export bulls, $3 75@4; bologna bulls, $3@3 50; common bulls, $2 50@2 75; fresh cows and springers dull; good to extra, $38@45; medium to good, $28@35; common, $17@25.

Hogs: Yorkers, common to good, $6 10@6 15; mixed, $6 10@6 15; heavy, $6@6 30; pigs, $5 90@6; closed steady.

Sheep: Best lambs, $6 10@6 15; fair to good, $5 75@6; culls, common, $4@5; best wethers, $4 25@4 50; fair to good, $3 50@3 75; culls, bucks, $2 50@3; yearlings, $4 50@4 75.

Calves: Choice to extra, $7 75@8; good to choice, $7 50@7 75; fair to good, $6 50@7.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, $1.20; No. 2 red, spot, $1.20; No. 2 red, September, $1 03 bid; November, $1 07 nominal.

Chicago—Wheat, September, $1.18@1 20; December, $1 17@1 18; May, 1907, $1 15@1 17¾.

Toledo—No. 2, 33½c; No. 2 yellow, 34¾@35c.

Duluth—No. 2, 31¾@32c; No. 2 white, 32½@33c; No. 3 white, 27½@28c.

Rye—No. 2, 74¾.

STEAMERS LEAVING DETROIT.

Standard Time.

WHITE STAR LINE—Foot of Griswold st.; Buffalo for Cleveland and Buffalo, daily at 7:30 p. m. and 2:30 p. m. For Toledo at 4:30 p. m. Leave Port Huron for Detroit and Cleveland, 3:15 p. m. DETROIT & BUFFALO STEAMBOAT CO.—Foot of Wayne Street; for Buffalo daily at 4:40 p. m. For Cleveland, daily at 4:40 p. m. CITY OF ERIE—Foot of Wayne St.; for Cleveland daily 4:30 p. m. and 10:30 p. m. For Mackinac, Duluth and Superior, daily 5:00 p. m. Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a. m.

Prof. L. A. McDiarmid, principal of the Owosso high school for several years, has accepted the position of science teacher in the Albion high school. He is one of the best teachers in his line in Michigan.

Adolph Roo, aged 22, and George McGrath, aged 16, were killed and five others were seriously injured by the explosion of a dynamite bomb on the bridge across Lake St. Croix, at Stillwater, Minn., Thursday, during a fire which threatened to destroy the ancient structure. The men who were on the span were precipitated into the water 20 feet below.

According to the treaty between the British and the Tibetans, signed Sept. 7, practically all the Indo Alden were released at Lhasa. The occasion afforded a picturesque ceremony. Some of those released by the Tibetans had been in captivity more than four years. The one who had been kept in a dark dungeon had gone blind. He at first refused to credit the fact that he was being given his freedom and thought he was being led out for torture.

The Breakers Hotel, Long Beach, Washington, one of the finest summer hotels on the north Pacific coast, has been destroyed by fire. Loss $67,000. There were no guests in the hotel.