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What an opportunity for another set of war paintings Verestchagin has missed!

With Japan and Russia holding a gun at each ear, how can China help being neutral?

If you want to retain your faith in a critic you ought never to see the things he criticises.

Judging from the way the czar is acting, there is nothing in that story of its being a borrowed boy.

There is a shortage of 40,000 servant girls in New York. Verily the policeman's lot is an unhappy one.

Now that he has a son and heir, the czar will be affectionately referred to by his faithful subjects as the old Nick.

The New York World says that "the poor consumer can never strike." Down this way he strikes many a snag.

How these flying machine inventors must wish that they could hitch their aerial wagons to the soaring price of wheat.

The man who is fool enough to hunt trouble is scarcely man enough to face it after his search has been rewarded.

One of the leaders of Newport society has just given a "bal blanc." It is now up to her hated rival to give a colored dance.

It is quite evident that there is no meat strike in China, for we read that the dowager empress is reducing her household expenses.

The prehistoric animal whose tracks have been found leading out of New Jersey was probably trekking away from the mosquitoes.

During a fire in a New York hotel a woman dressed herself in less than fifteen minutes. The record will doubtless stand for eternity.

If the report that credits the sultan of Turkey with the ambition to outlive all his predecessors is justified, it may explain some things.

And now Mr. Charles M. Schwab comes forward with a declaration that he wants to die poor with significant and emphatic emphasis upon the "poor."

Realizing that a woman climber set upon a mountain top cannot be hid, Miss Peck of Boston shows no disposition to hide her light beneath a bushel.

Now that he has taken up smoking, it is up to Edward Atkinson to invent a tobacco consumer that will give three times the smoke with half the material.

It was kind of the kaiser to give his American-built yacht Meteor, of which he is tired, to the crown prince; but will she be fast enough for such a speedy youth?

Venezuela has entered suit against an asphalt company for 50,000,000 bolivars. The exact value of a "bolivar" is unknown to us, but we are always willing to learn.

A deaf and dumb man wants to be Mayor of St. Paul. It might be a good thing for St. Paul to have such a mayor. The grafters would have to put their demands in writing.

In New Jersey a young woman is suing her guardian because he has not bought her a new hat in three years. It's certainly scandalous to keep a girl from going to church all that time.

King Edward would doubtless feel flattered if he could know what wide attention his double-breasted trousers are attracting in the editorial columns of the newspapers of the United States.

A man has been discovered in the south of France who remembers seeing Napoleon cross the Alps. Somebody will turn up some day who remembers seeing old Russell Sage "come across."

Hazel Belle Melvin of Hudson, N. H., boasts of a hydrangea which was planted the day she was born and which now has 129 blossoms. But that doesn't give away the secret of Miss Hazel's age.

The Newport society leaders who are setting the fashion of short skirts for fall suits are probably indifferent to the fact that at last they are doing something that will meet with general popular approval.

The young Count von Arnim, just killed in battle with the natives of South Africa, once threatened Bismarck with a challenge to a duel, but as Bismarck was sensible the young man lived to die in the battle with the Hamakari.

Still, the action of the czar in issuing the manifesto providing that in case of his death before the czarevitch attains his majority, the Grand Duke Michael shall become regent, does not prove conclusively that the emperor is going to the front.

Lillian Russell's pet spaniel has been presented with an $1,800 collar by one of the lady's admirers. Curiously enough the dispatch fails to give the name of Miss Russell's new piece.

Another indubitable evidence of the hygienic properties of pure whisky is the discovery that the oldest man in the United States lives in Kentucky.

Hungary is becoming suspicious of the American prune. The hungry boarder has looked askance at it since boardinghouses were established.

THE NEWS OF MICHIGAN.

SUGAR BEETS.

New Scale of Prices and Division of Territory.

The Michigan Beet Sugar Manufacturers' association has determined to take the last step toward meeting the demands of farmers in an effort to induce the planting of sufficient acreage to supply the factories of the state and will for next season offer three forms of contracts. The action has been under consideration for months and was not agreed upon until after the Sanilac Sugar Co. insisted upon being permitted to put out a flat rate contract. The company insisted that without it it could not get sufficient beets to make it worth while to start the factory. The other factories, after four months of discussion, agreed on condition that the association adopt the new plan as a whole. As a consequence farmers will be given the choice of a contract paying $5 per ton flat for beets delivered on cars, factories paying the freight, or the old contract at $4 50 per ton for 12 per cent beets and 33 1-3 cents additional for each additional per cent of sugar. It is claimed by the factories that the flat rate will appeal to only such farmers as do not care to improve crops and wish only to be sure of money; that it will benefit the big factories, as bigger acreage will be grown at the expense of sugar percentage, while farmers accepting the sliding scale will naturally pay attention to culture to secure the largest proportion of acreage with the largest percentage of sugar.

The division of territory has also been decided upon for both this and next year and it is announced that there will be no cutting into each other's territory by factories.

BLACK BART.

Now Holzkey, the Bandit, Is Taought to Be Good.

Among the petitions for clemency now under consideration by the state board of pardons are a number presented in behalf of Raymond Holzkey, formerly known as "Black Bart," the highwayman, who is serving a life term in the Marquette penitentiary for the murder of a Wisconsin banker during the hold-up of a stage coach in Gogebic county about 15 years ago. Since the man's incarceration his character has entirely changed and there is reason to believe that his case will at least be given serious consideration.

Totally friendless when first imprisoned and popularly regarded as the most desperate outlaw in the Michigan, Holzkey has gained the esteem and active good will of many of the leading men in the upper peninsula who are now engaged in a concerted effort to secure his release on parole. It is contended that the man acted the part of a criminal while in an unbalanced state of mind; that he has already served more years in prison than the average life sentence usually amounts to; that his behavior in prison since his recovery has been irreproachable, and, finally, that through his persistent efforts for self-education, the man's thoughts and ambitions have become markedly anticriminal, a fact to which his writings of late years give ample testimony.

Both Were Killed

While on their way to visit a sick brother, who lives about a mile west of Gallen, near the Michigan Central railroad, Sunday morning, Mrs. Geo. W. Chase and Mrs. Henry Smith, of that village, two sisters, were struck by flyer No. 11 and were instantly killed. The accident happened at a cattle guard crossing, and it is thought that one of the women had caught her shoe in the narrow irons and the sister was trying to extricate her when they were struck by the engine. The ladies were hurled high in the air and horribly mutilated. Both ladies were prominent, having been residents of this section over 50 years. Mrs. Chase was 64 years of age, and Mrs. Smith, 70 years old.

Killed By Excitement

The store of John Hyde & Son, of Eaton, caught fire and only for the timely arrival of help the entire business portion of the village would have been wiped out. Mr. Hyde's loss consists chiefly of goods damaged by smoke and water.

Neighbors being alarmed at the non-appearance of Miss Theresa O'Mera, broke into her home at noon and found her lying on the floor dead. The deceased owned property and rented rooms adjacent to John Hyde & Son's store and it is thought the shock of the fire killed her as she has always been a very healthy person.

Game Warden's Work

State Game Warden Chapman's monthly report shows record-breaking activity, judging from the figures given. He reports 66 arrests the past month, 103 complaints investigated, convictions 56, fines amounting to $815, and the seizure of over 3,000 pounds of fish, all of which went to state and charitable institutions, the report says.

F C. Andrews's Latest Plunge.

Frank C. Andrews, of Detroit City Savings bank fame, has gone into business on Walk street with Russell Sage —not the Russell Sage of unquotable wealth, but his reputed nephew and nearest heir-at-law.

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

Two men were killed and another knocked down a shaft in a Calumet mine Thursday, the third man miraculously escaping death. Falling ground caused the accident.

There were five suicides in Detroit last week. Maj. Francis E. Eltonhead, shooting; James Gosling, hanging; Miss Florence B. Edwards, drowning; James B. Hawley, strychnine; Emil Neumann, cutting throat.

The street fair craze in Michigan is evidently on the wane. This summer a number of towns have held carnivals, and when the expenses were paid up nothing was left.

Prof. L. A. McMarmid, 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.

A peculiar accident occurred in Cadillac. Isaac Van Kersten of Kalamazoo, was running to board a train and fell in a cement walk, breaking both bones in his left leg below the knee although they had been crushed.

BURGLARS' WORK.

Several Towns Are Scenes of Bold Robberies.

A series of burglaries occurred in the vicinity of Traverse City Thursday night covering a wide stretch of territory. The safe of Jerry Sullivan, mill owner and logging baldman, both of Cedar, Mich., was blown open and over $40 secured. The safe in the mill office of George E. Habbeler, at Lake Ann, was blown open and nearly $50 taken. The Manistee Northwestern station at Solon was entered and Station Agent Alvin Smith's property ransacked; a number of things were taken and the safe opened, but the burglars secured only about $7. At Traverse City a number of business houses were entered, tills tapped and small amounts secured.

One of the most complete cleanups ever made by burglars in Genesee county occurred Thursday night at the village of Linden. Seven stores were entered, besides the postoffice. The thieves forced an entrance with a crowbar and cold chisel. At the postoffice they took all the mail belonging to the Bank of Linden, took all the letters sorted out by the rural delivery carriers, cleaned up the postmaster and business letters from the private boxes of the office and appropriated some stamps. The mail was later found, opened. The thieves had thrown the envelopes and whatever else they did not want into the river. The stuff was found this morning in the apron of the dam. Sheriff Bust and Postoffice Inspector Parcell, of this city, are working on the case. Local talent is suspected.

Honor Victims of Historic Massacre.

Two states united at Monroe in doing honor to the memory of the heroic soldiers who fell a costly sacrifice at the massacre of the River Raisin. The monument erected by the legislature's act and with the assistance of the Ladies' Impement association to the victims of the slaughter 91 years ago was unveiled with appropriate ceremonies and in the presence of the greatest audience Monroe has ever seen.

STATE NEWS NOTES.

In most cities of the state Labor day was appropriately celebrated on Monday.

Lexington village hall was struck by lightning and slightly damaged during a storm.

For the first time in almost forty years there will be no "Old Settlers' picnic" in Kalamazoo county this year.

Monumineee is to have a new daily paper, to be called the Daily News, the first issue being dated September 1.

Detroit has been selected as the place for the next national gathering of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, in 1905.

The new Portland cement plant at Marquette, which cost $200,000, is built of Portage red sandstone and Marquette raindrop stone.

John J. Schairer, aged about 50 years, ran in front of a train at Lakeland Monday evening and was instantly killed.

Wheat in Ionia county averages about ten bushels to the acre, while the average of oats is in some cases as high as fifty bushels.

The decomposed body of a man was found one mile south of Grayling Wednesday. Nothing was found by which it could be identified.

One of the largest barns in southern Michigan is being erected near Leonidas, the dimensions being 68x408 feet. The estimated cost is $10,000.

St. Joseph is to have a new industry in the shape of a plant in which concrete posts, curbing, stepping stones and similar articles are manufactured.

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.

Livingston county Republicans, at their county convention Monday, kept carefully away from state issues. Chas. A. Kenyon was nominated for the state legislature.

J. J. Forcier, of Bay City, is dredging out and constructing a dike around 2,000 acres of sugar beet land in Shiawassee county. The property will be the finest beet farm in Michigan.

Herman Loonan, while assisting with a threshing machine near Holland, slid down the side of a straw stack and landed squarely on a pitchfork, the tines penetrating his thigh.

The 3-year-old son of Jay P. Stevens, of New Haven, underwent a difficult operation at the Children's hospital at Detroit, and Dr. Talley, who performed the operation, thinks the little fellow will recover.

There is liable to be a shortage in the "canned salmon" market. Fifty tons of German carp being kept in durance near Monroe escaped through a hole in the wall of the pond, and are now at liberty in Lake Erie. The loss to the carp farming concern is about $5,000.

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 bud rot, but the quality is good. Probably from 700 to 900 carloads will be shipped from the grape belt.

Mrs. Alvin J. Russell was instantly killed and her husband probably fatally injured by a fast train on the Grand Trunk Western crossing five miles west of Battle Creek Sunday night. The team was driven to cover the buggy after the accident was Frank Russell, a son of the victims.

In a recent collision at Traverse City a Pere Marquette switch engine was smashed to bits, and the fireman other engine was sent to take its place. The first thing the engine did after arriving at Traverse City was to jump the track, being derailed several hours. The locomotive was somewhat damaged by the accident.

The drowned man whose body was recovered at Erie and who had been known at the farm where he was spending the summer as Charles Barry, proves to have been Edwin Davis, an actor and singer, well known in the eastern states. His body will be reinterred from the little country cemetery and shipped to Pittsburg.

Otsego merchants have a new idea to attract a throng on Saturday. They have arranged for a cat fair, in which prizes will be given for the cat with the most kittens; cat with prettiest kittens; the blackest cat; the whitest cat; the prettiest mother cat; the cat with shortest tail; the homeliest cat.

A Church of Christ with 40 members has been organized at Saranac by Rev. J. A. Lord, of Cincinnati. A Sunday school with an attendance of 150 and a Christian Endeavor society with 40 members were also launched.

Ontonagon has prospects for another railroad. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul is extending its line from Star Lake, Wis., a few miles in the direction of Ontonagon, and may cross the boundary into this state.

Preparations are complete for laying the corner stone of the Macedonia temple and headquarters of the Great Camp, and it is expected that there will be 200,000 visitors in Port Huron on the date set, September 8.

The Michigan Methodist Episcopal conference will hold its 60th annual session at Grand Rapids, beginning September 14. Its membership is 341, with 23 probationers. Besides these, 436 other clergymen will be present.

Rev. George F. Abel, Ph. D., of Providence, R. I., has accepted a call to Orchard Lake, where he will begin his new duties September 15 as professor of history and commercial law and chaplain at the Michigan Military academy.

A scratch from the claw of a hen may cause the death of Mrs. William Wanless, of Port Huron. She is in a hospital critically ill of blood poisoning. The hen struck Mrs. Wanless on the hand while she was removing it from a nest.

During an auction in his store John O. Anderson, of Petoskey, assaulted Edward J. Gowdy, a traveling salesman, of Detroit, and was himself badly beaten. A jury convicted Anderson of assault. He has appealed to the circuit court.

Coldwater's school census shows a decrease in the number of school children from last year. This year the rolls give the loss as 133, and since 1900 the number has sunk 340. The state census shows a decrease of only nine people in four years.

Judge Benjamin F. Fish, of Niles, has in his possession the first safe used by the Michigan Central Railroad Co. The safe was used as early as 1837 in the company's offices in Detroit, and was brought to Niles in 1849. It stands 28 inches high.

Mrs. C. Dillon, a Hartford restaurant keeper, while trying to empty garbage, when a man seized her, held his hand over her mouth and relieved her of her money, which she carried in a satchel. She had about $10. The thief escaped.

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.

A reckless fire started in Lamarre's lumber shop, Alpena, and spread rapidly, destroying John Blanchard's residence, the store owned by Charles Cook, and the drug store of E. J. Labonde, which had just been completed. The total loss was $4,000.

Richard Beck deliberately walked out of the jail at Charlotte, where he was doing 30 days for skipping a board bill. He had been granted certain freedom and took advantage of it. He was recaptured at Potterville. Beck travels for a Birmingham, N. Y., house.

A little daughter of Wesley Lowe, a paperhanger in a Standish factory here, was bitten by a rattlesnake at the bay while at a picnic. By prompt use of whisky and sucking the poison from the wound her life will probably be saved. She was brought to town in a hurry to see a doctor.

Etta Farmer, the 3-year-old daughter of Detective Farmer, of Menominee, took 15 strychnine tablets which her father used as a tonic, and had left in a bottle within the reach of the child. There is hope of saving her life. This is the second case of child poisoning in the town during a week.

Another link uniting Michigan and Wisconsin has been forged to the chain. It is a steel bridge spanning the Menominee river at a point south of Norway and erected by the counties of Dickinson, Mich., and Marinette, Wis. The span itself is 175 feet in length and weighs approximately 100 tons.

A Cadago man is agitating a plan for the beautification of highways in Michigan, and suggests the planting of fruit trees along the highways, the profits from the fruit to be divided between the man who furnishes the trees and the property owners who take care of them. The system is in force in Europe.

About 100 local Italians are on a strike at Sault Ste. Marie on account of their employers' refusal to comply with a demand for an increase in wages from $1 50 to $1 75 per day. The Italians are employed on the new river channel being made through the West Neebish river. Those who remained at work were stoned and attacked by the strikers.

Farmer Lewis D. Fox, of Charlotte, went to see George Tulip, a neighbor, about some cattle belonging to Fox which Tulip had impounded, alleging they broke into his fields. He took a gun along, it is alleged, and in the course of the joint debate that ensued Tulip received a shot into Tulip's leg. Fox is in jail.

The largest fruit shipment ever made in a single night from Benton Harbor went out Monday night, fourteen cars of Elbertas leaving thousands of packages behind. The steamer City of Benton Harbor carried the heaviest load of fruit ever taken by any boat, the shipment including peaches, apples, pears, plums, grapes and melons. The total amount taken was nearly 190,000 packages.

The first annual assembly of the Congregationalists of the Mississippi valley has been called to Frankfort. A tract of 125 acres bordering on Crystal Lake, near there, has been deeded to the Congregational Summer assembly by the Ann Arbor Railroad Co., for future meetings. The meeting was a great success for the first meeting of the kind in the history of the church, ministers from 19 states being present, and a much larger number is looked for next season.

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

Capt. Wm. E. English was elected commander-in-chief of the United Spanish War Veterans, at Indianapolis, succeeding Harold Segerow, under the agreement signed April 18 when the amalgamation of Spanish war veterans was completed. Indianapolis was selected as headquarters.

Fourteen persons were killed and nearly a score injured in a fire in a five-story double tenement in Attorney-street, New York, at an early hour Sunday morning. It was one of the worst fires in the loss of human lives that has occurred on the east side in several years, although the property loss was slight.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

RUSSIANS RETREATED.

Liao Yang Falls and the Russians Flee Pursued by the Japs.

The Japanese left began pressing the Russians toward Tatsho at dawn this (Friday) morning. The Japanese right is engaged in the neighborhood of Heiyingtai.

The news that the city of Liao Yang has fallen and the Russian army retreated to the right bank of the Taitse river reached only a small section of the people of St. Petersburg at a late hour and caused intense excitement and disappointment.

Thursday's dispatches indicated that the tide of battle around Liao Yang had turned appreciably in favor of the Japanese. With a tremendous and sustained assault on his right and center and threatened his rear by a heavy force, which had crossed the Taitse river, Kuropatkin was forced to abandon Liao Yang and cross the Taitse river.

A St. Petersburg dispatch says his order was given last night after the Russians had withstood an artillery and infantry attack from dawn to midnight, but that the Japanese pressure was too great to permit its being executed, Kuropatkin probably fearing that a retrograde movement at that time might result in a rout. A dispatch from Mukden says:

Liao Yang Falls and the Siberian Corps Escapes.

The only direct news from the seat of war bearing South Manchuria is by way of Tolo in a report from Field Marshal Oyama, saying that Liao Yang fell into the hands of the Japanese at 9 o'clock that morning; that the Japanese casualties were believed to be heavy and that nothing was known by the Japanese concerning conditions on the right bank of the Taitse river.

The only comfort for the Russians at home was the news conveyed in a report from Gen. Kuropatkin, dated Saturday afternoon, that Gen. Stakelberg's First Siberian army corps of 25,000 men, reported Saturday as having been cut off in the westward of Liao Yang, had been safely extricated and that they had succeeded in rejoining the main Russian body on the right bank of the river, but no details of the escape of Stakelberg are known. Gen. Kuropatkin also reported that the greater portion of his army was at the time of filing the report south of Ventai (ten miles northeast of Liao Yang), and a few miles from the Yentai mines, where fierce fighting had been in progress.

It is indicated that there has been a cessation of the fiercer fighting. Kuropatkin reporting that his men were not being much interfered with by the Japanese in the neighborhood of the army.

In St. Petersburg the absence of news is looked upon as lightening the gravity of the situation for the Russians.

It was reported in St. Petersburg Sunday night that Kuropatkin had arrived at Tieling, which is ten miles north of Yentai and eighteen miles south of Mukden.

Five men were drowned in Lake Erie last night as the result of the capsizing of a 32-foot naphtha launch, in which they were en route from Cleveland to Vermillion to attend yacht races.

KUROPATKINS MAD FLIGHT.

Russians Go Through Mukden, Pursued by the Japanese.

London, September 6.—Russia's plans, which are being carried out in Manchuria, seem to be thoroughly beaten and in full retreat before the victorious Japanese under Field Marshal Oyama. Not only have the Russians fled from Liao Yang, finally leaving Port Arthur to its fate, but it looks now as if they must abandon Mukden too. According to advices from Mukden received last night and this morning, the authorities say that point would not be likely to prove tenable and the evacuation has been planned and will begin within a day or so.

The evacuation of Mukden means the abandonment of the whole of southern Manchuria and the retirement of the Russians to their final Manchurian base, Harbin, 400 miles north of Mukden. Such a move might readily prove disastrous as the Russian soldiers are in no condition to make such a march except in the easiest of stages, and according to reports from Mukden they would be compelled to conduct the retreat fighting rear guard battles the greater part of the way. As a result it is generally believed that should Kuropatkin be able to make Mukden without another serious reverse, but a shattered remnant of his magnificent force should ever reach Harbin. So far as the Japanese are concerned the evacuation of Mukden would mean commodious winter quarters for them, the control of a double track railway and with everything in favor of strengthening their position by reinforcements and supplies, and the most thorough preparation for the reopening of the campaign when the hard weather is past.

Record Crop of Apples.

Reports of the apple crop received at New York by large dealers indicate that the American yield will be about 30 per cent larger than last year and 14 per cent above the average for the last 10 years. Some dealers estimate the output at 20,000,000 barrels.

New York state is among the largest apple producers in the east. It is estimated its crop will be 17 per cent larger than that of last year. Exports of apples last year were valued at $8,237,894, but crop conditions in Europe this season are reported good and the demand possibly will be less.

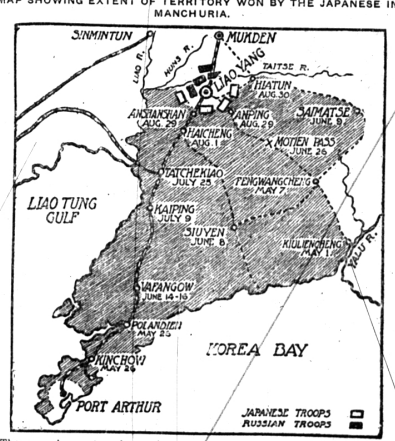
Butchers Go Back to Work.

The beginning of the end of the Chicago stockyards strike came early Tuesday morning when, according to the packers, more than 1,000 of the strikers applied for their old jobs and were taken back. Men began to seek work a few hours before the time set for a meeting of the allied trade conference board which, representing 22 trades involved in the strike, was, as seemed to be the general impression, to consider the question of submitting to the unions whether the strike should be called off or not.

Five are dead and an equal number seriously injured as the result of a premature explosion of a quantity of nitro-glycerine near Upper Sandusky Sunday.

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.

MAP SHOWING EXTENT OF TERRITORY WON BY THE JAPANESE IN MANCHURIA.



The map shows at a glance the extent of territory in Manchuria won by the Japanese since the battle of the Yalu on May 1. All the shaded region from the mouth of the Yalu in the east down to Port Arthur and eastward of the Liao river to a point opposite Liaoyang has been conquered since the war began. The location of the towns and places at which the principal battles have been fought and the dates of the engagements also are given. The second army (Oku's command) was partly landed at Pitsewo May 5 and 6 and another division at Kinchow May 25, while Nodzu's force, known as the third or Takushan army, began landing on Manchurian soil on the 19th of May.

The capture of Villa Asuncion and 400 government troops by Paraguayan insurgents is reported. An attack on the capital is imminent.

Fire has swept the entire business portion of Gem, Idaho, and a large part of the residence district entailing a loss of $150,000, destroying 100 houses and rendering scores of people homeless.

Henry Larberg, of Cincinnati, recently saw Ingle Adams stabbed to death in a Spokane brawl. The sight unnerved him, and his health, already delicate, declined from that hour until he died.

Dr. R. J. Lightle, who was supposed to have been burned in his barn at Searcy, Ark., May 22, and on whose death insurance companies paid $10,000 on policies, returned to Searcy and surrendered to a deputy sheriff.

Gen. Corbin has fixed Sept. 10 as the date for holding the final review of the 25,000 troops in battle line in the annual maneuvers of the army, and Wellington, Va., as the place for holding the review.

Edwin Clark, aged 62, his wife, their daughter and the three children of Alfred Jewett were burned to death near Fredericton, N. B., Sunday in a fire which destroyed the Jewett home.

Embezzling $12,000 is the charge against Nathan A. Frye, for eight years treasurer of the Watertown, Miss., Savings bank. The bank is protected by a $20,000 bond. Frye is 65 years old and has a large family. He is said to have made a written confession.

The total enrollment of Sunday school pupils in the world is 23,442,908, according to the figures of Chief Secretary W. J. Semelroth, of St. Louis. The world's Sunday school convention at Jerusalem last April showed 209,095 Protestant Sunday schools and 2,414,757 teachers.

Magnificent Parisian gowns valued at $200,000 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 Eden, acting commissioner-general of France, who has investigated the havoc wrought by the water.

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, the minister of the interior in the northern Transvaal. The government will take one-half of the treasure.

A Meat Famine.

Famine in meat is declared by the Chicago strikers to be the probable result of their new move in the strike against the packers. Orders have been issued for a general strike of all butcher workmen throughout the country. They are expected to go out tomorrow. The order will affect in all about 2,000 men in Chicago, including the independent plants. The order, if observed, will also affect independent plants of large capacity in the following cities: East St. Louis, Omaha, St. Louis, Kansas City, Sioux City, New York, Milwaukee, Syracuse, Stickney, Ill., and hundreds of small plants throughout the country which employ from 10 to 20 men.

Although union officials assert that 15,000 men will go out, and the meat supply will be seriously crippled, leaving as the only supply the output of the big packers by their non-union help.

Princess Fled With Her Lover.

Princess Louise, of Coburg, daughter of the king of Belgium, whose relations with Kegievich Mattsitch, a cavalry officer of the Austrian army, caused a great scandal in European royal circles seven years ago, and who has since been kept under the closest restraint, has vanished from Bad Ischel, where she has been taking the cure. It is believed that the princess is in the company of Mattsitch and is seeking to gain an asylum where she will be safe from recapture.

CONDENSED NEWS.

The City of Binang, in Laguna province, island of Luzon, has been destroyed by fire and 2,000 inhabited persons perished in the flames and 5,000 were rendered homeless.

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

A balky auto, driven by George H. Damon, a wealthy Pittsburger, plunged through a guard rail on a bridge in Central Park, New York, and dropped 20 feet. Damon was badly hurt, but managed to avoid being brought under the machine as it turned over.

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.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $4 50@5; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs, $3 75@4 50; heifers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $3 25@3 75; grass steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs, well fat, 500 to 700 lbs, $2 25@3; common cows, $1 75@2 25; veal calves, light grade, $5 50@6; choice heavy bulls, $3@3 50; fair to good bolognas, bulls, $2 50@2 75; stock bulls, $2 25@2 50; milkers and springers, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $2 75@3 25; choice stockers, 600 to 700 lbs, $2 50@3; fair stockers, 500 to 700, $2 40@2 65; stock heifers, $2 15@2 30; pickings, large, young, medium age, $3 40@3 50; common milkers, $25@30.

Milch cows and springers—Steady for good grades; best cows, $45@50.

Veal calves—Market is strong; best, $6@7; others, $4 50@5 75.

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

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

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5 40@6 10; poor to medium, $3 75@5 30; stockers and feeders, $2@3 75; cows and heifers, $2 50@5 60; canners, $1 85@2 25; bulls, $2@4; calves, $3 50@6 25; Texas-fed steers, $2 50@3 50; western steers, $2 50@5 60.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5 10@5 55; good to choice heavy, $5 25@5 50; rough heavy, $4 80@5; light, $5 20@5 45; bulk of sales, $5 25@5 45.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $2 50@4; fair to choice mixed, $3@3 40; native lambs, $4@5 75.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, $1 13; No. 2 red, spot, and September, 5,000 bu at $1 11; 5,000 bu at $1 12; 5,000 bu at $1 12½, closing nominal at $1 14; December, 5,000 bu at $1 15; 5,000 bu at $1 15, 5,000 bu at $1 15½, 10,000 bu at $1 15¾, 10,000 bu at $1 15¾, 2,000 bu at $1 16; May, 5,000 bu at $1 15, 5,000 bu at $1 16¼, 10,000 bu at $1 17, 10,000 bu at $1 17½, closing nominal at $1 17½; No. 3 red, $1 09 per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 54½c; No. 3 yellow, 57 cents.

Oats—No. 3 white spot 6 cars at 33½c; September, 15 bu at 34c per bu, with 33½c asked on cash.

Rye—No. 2 spot, 2 cars at 76c per bu, December, 1,000 bu at 71; November, $1 65, both nominal.

Chicago—No. 2 spring wheat, $1 10@1 10¾; No. 3, $1 02@1 10; No. 2 red, $1 08@1 09; No. 3, $1 05@1 08; No. 2 yellow, 55¾@56c; No. 2 oats, 32¾c; No. 2 white, 36c; No. 3 white, 32¾@34c; No. 2 rye, 71c; good feeding barley, 37@38½c; fair to choice malting, 43@52c.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending Sept. 10.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—"A Trip to Egypt." Mat. Wed. and Sat. Evenings, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c.

LAFAYETTE THEATRE.—"Nell Gwynn."—Prices, 15c, 25c, 50c and $1. Matinees Monday Wednesday, Saturday; best seats 25c.

TEMPLE THEATRE AND WONDERLAND.—Afternoons 2:15, 10c to 25c; evenings 7:15, 10c to 50c.

AVENUE THEATRE.—Vaudeville.—Afternoons, 15, 25, and 50c; evenings, 15, 25, 50c and $1.

WHITNEY THEATER.—"Her First False Step" Matinee, 10c, 15c, 2 c. Evenings 10, 20 and 30c.

STEAMERS LEAVING DETROIT.

Standard Time.

WHITE STAR LINE—Foot of Griswold st; Boats for Port Huron and Sarnia, 7:00 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. For Toledo at 4:30 p. m. Lower Cal Direct for Detroit 6:30 a. m.; 2:15 p. m.

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

DETROIT & CLEVELAND NAV. CO.—Foot of Brush 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.

Picknickers are causing Judge Parker much annoyance at Assenagon, because of the way they litter up his premises with their leavings. One party recently stripped several of the apple trees in the orchard and committed other depredations.

State Treasurer Wickser, of New York, has received a check for $300 from a firm of New York attorneys, with a note stating that it is for the "conscience fund," having been placed in their hands by Attorney John T. Doyle, of San Francisco, acting for a client. The check is drawn on the First National bank, of San Francisco.

CAMPFIRE ENDS THE REUNION

Soldiers and Sailors Are Paid a Tribute by Senator Quarles.

Elkhorn, Wis., special:. A soldiers' and sailors' reunion was held here Wednesday, closing with a grand campfire. Senator J. Y. Quarles, who was one of the speakers, said he had only come for an informal talk with the soldiers and not for an annual address as announced, but then gave a glowing tribute to the soldiers and sailors of Walworth county.