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STATE NEWS

Science has discovered several new kinds of mosquitoes but no need for them.

Japan's "Protectorate" over Korea will be exercised firmly, but with the utmost politeness.

London would appreciate it if some one would furnish a job to its army of unemployed workmen.

The announcement that the Chinese emperor intends to travel should be coupled with "if ma is agreeable."

Mrs. Taggart has been interviewed again. Oh, drop the Taggart business. There has been too much of it already.

"Lovely millinery confections" are advertised for only $28. We don't choose any. Plain hats are good enough.

The divinity that doth hedge a king didn't keep King Edward from the pain and inconvenience of a sprained ankle.

Small diamonds are in fashion this season. Hubby hasn't much money left after laying in his supply of black diamonds.

New York's 400 has been reduced to 79, leaving 321 persons whose sole claim to social fame is that they are in the has been class.

It isn't the opportunities you miss that work you harm half so much as it is the opportunities the other fellow grabs ahead of you.

Son, ambition never yet took the place of industry. Ambition is merely the spyglass that lets you see the point to which you must climb.

Japanese counterfeiters in Hawaii are turning out American money, and there is reason to suspect the copy is more artistic than the original.

A judge has decided that a man who has got drunk every Sunday for years is not an habitual drunkard. Just sot in his ways, that's all.

The announcement of a copper lined train shed reminds one of the man with a copper lined stomach. Both are supposed to resist corrosives.

Another American countess has obtained a divorce from a count who failed to support her. So runs the world away. What good does it do to preach?

Hetty Green says if people talked less there would be fewer fools on record. But what is a man to do when he is called before an investigating committee?

"Life is like a game of football," says an enthusiastic Y. M. C. A. worker. Yea, verily. Most of us are at the bottom of the scrimmage and few make a touchdown.

The frank admission comes from Springfield, Ohio, that a child has written a comic opera. We have suspected for some time that something of this sort was going on.

"It was wonderful!" said Prince Louis of the New York horse show. "Such beautiful women and such magnificent gowns!" The prince evidently knew where to look.

The powers are going to give the sultan another naval demonstration. When the sultan gets bored he has a sure relief for ennui. The powers are always willing to oblige.

As viewed by Mrs. Astor's social set the last census returns giving New York a population of 4,000,000 are misleading. The town has a population of 79 persons and 3,999,921 nobodies.

With Prince Louis, the horse show and the insurance investigation all going on at once New York had a strenuous time of it. It will take society quite a while to recover from the strain.

The revival of the story that the king of Spain is going to marry Princess Ena of Battenberg, naturally revives the suggestion that perhaps he picked her out by saying: "Ena, mena, mona, mi."

Brother Rockefeller's income this year will total about $40,000,000. He must be able to afford to buy a new hat and a pair of new shoes the same week. How absurd it is to say he is not a happy man!

The way in which a Boston preacher characterized the trouble of the times: "That centralized fury of money madness that drives every trace of public spirit from the soul." He very nearly got onto the idea.

A New Jersey man who advertised for a wife got thousands of answers from applicants all over the country, and then married somebody else. What a charming honeymoon he must have had while reading all those letters!

In a New York theater the other night a woman in the balcony, in the excitement of the scene in "Oliver Twist," where Bill strikes Nandy, called out in distinct tones: "Now stop that!"—a notable compliment to the realism of the play.

Miss De Forest Anderson, the noted flutist, rigidly adheres to a vow never to kiss anybody—man, woman or child—because of the injury the practice of kissing "inflicts upon the sensitive muscles of the mouth." Think of sacrificing all that for a flute!

Mrs. Astor invited only seventy-nine guests to the dinner which she gave in honor of Prince Louis. New York's "400" must during the past few years have been making rapid headway in the race suicide business.

APPALLING LOSSES.

One hundred and sixty-eight lives have been sacrificed, over 70 ships wrecked and a loss of nearly $7,000,000 has been sustained in three big storms on the great lakes this season. That this is the most disastrous season in the history of shipping on the lakes is beyond doubt. Vessels of all types, from the mighty modern steel freighters to the ancient wooden schooners and old-time steamers, have been swept from the lakes by the terrific gales.

A list of the wrecks in which lives were lost is as follows:

Ira Owen	13
Frank Nye	1
Matanafa	3
Scow Herbert	2
Madeira	1
George Penman	1
Lafayette	8
Edenborn	1
Tasmania	2
Iosco	19
Kaliyuga	7
Seroma	1
J. S. Fay	7
Olive Jeanette	9
Minnedosa	2
Schooner, Mary	6
Sheldon	2
Linden	2
Tuthill	1
Hudson	2
Pretoria	5
W. Jones	1
Ketchum	2
Collingwood	1
Washed overboard	25
Killed by accident	15
Total	164

In 1904 only 49 lives were lost and only two of these in actual shipwreck. Insurance loss amounted to only $1,559,750.

JUVENILE COURT LAW IS INVALID, SAYS THE SUPREME COURT.

THE C., H. & D. AND P. M. ROADS ARE INSOLVENT AND RECEIVER WILL TAKE CHARGE.

The Juvenile Court Out.

The act passed by the last legislature known as the juvenile court law has been declared unconstitutional by the supreme court in a decision written by Judge Ostrander and handed down Monday. The decision was concurred in by all the other justices. That feature of the law which vested circuit court commissioners with judicial powers in cases against juvenile offenders was the section which invalidated the law in the opinion of the court. The test case was brought from Wayne county, where the five circuit judges had unanimously held the law to be invalid. By the terms of the law in counties of over 100,000 population the circuit judges were directed to appoint one of their number to hear juvenile cases.

Mentioning that the constitution vested the judicial power in one supreme court, in circuit courts, in probate courts, and in justices of the peace, Judge Ostrander states that under the contested law jurisdiction would vest in two counties in circuit courts, in 24 counties in probate courts and in 30 counties in circuit court commissioners.

That the law proposed to vest judicial powers in the circuit court commissioners, a body such power was not contemplated by the constitution the court holds is beyond contention.

Regarding the question of making the law applicable in counties where the judicial power is not vested in commissioners, the court says that the act provides for its general application in all territory not especially exempted.

On that point the court says: "Judicial power does not extend to the mutilation or amendment of the act necessary to give it effect in any county."

Roads Insolvent.

The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton and the Pere Marquette railroads on Monday were ordered placed in the hands of a receiver by United States Circuit Judge Lurton, in Cincinnati, and Judson Harmon, formerly United States attorney-general, was appointed receiver, giving bond for $200,000. Application for receiver was made by Attorney Lawrence Maxwell, Jr., on behalf of Walter E. Horn, of New York, a creditor of both roads and was agreed to by the defendants in answers admitting the principal charges of insolvency.

The defendant company was declared to have been solvent prior to July 7, 1904, when it came under a different controlling influence, and assumed large obligations. Since July 7, 1904, the funded debt has been increased more than $25,000,000, carrying an increase in the fixed charges of over $1,000,000 (exclusive of further annual fixed charges of $578,000 on account of the Pere Marquette); and, also the floating debt had been increased until it exceeds $6,000,000.

The defendant was declared to have no property to present as security, to have no credit; to be unable to secure funds while a number of suits by creditors were sure to be started within a short time.

The funded debt of the defendant company and its constituent companies on Dec. 1, 1905, was upwards of $60,000,000. The funded debt of the Pere Marquette and constituent companies was upwards of $54,000,00; that of the Chicago, Cincinnati & Louisville was more than $5,000,000 and that of the Toledo Railway & Terminal Co. was $3,500,000. The floating debt of the defendant company was $6,625,000, exclusive of judgments to the amount of over $50,000.

It was further asserted that the cash assets of the defendant at the close of business on Dec. 2, 1905, including the cash assets of the Pere Marquette, amounted to less than $100,000. On Jan. 1, 1906, there will become due interest on the four per cent Pere Marquette bonds.

Remorse for Evil Deed.

Joseph Doyle, the young man who, while drunk, shot his brother-in-law, Charles Maynard and Arthur Arnold, a cripple, at Cedar Springs, was brought to Grand Rapids in custody of Deputy Sheriff DeCou. After recovering from his drunken stupor he remembered nothing of the shooting. Maynard and Arnold were taken to Butterworth hospital, and the ball was extracted from Arnold's arm and the X-ray used on Maynard, the ball being located in his neck.

With his eyes tightly closed and his lips pressed together and groaning inconsolately, Doyle lies on his cot in the county jail, a prey to remorse.

From the moment of his arrest he has refused to speak a word to anyone, the officers at the jail being compelled to gag him to prevent him from his brother-in-law, James A. Skinner, who remained at the jail all last night, sleeping in the same cell with Doyle, who is apparently almost insane with grief.

J. A. Bradley, formerly a prominent business man of Gladstone, was found dead in a lumber camp near Winters, Mich. Bradley had gone to the camp to spend a day with a friend and it is said showed no symptoms of illness before retiring.

With his skull split from a point above the eyes to the crown of his head, Clarence Lambert was picked up from the ice on Ford river Saturday. The peculiar accident happened when he was skating, his head striking the ice with terrific force in a fall. His condition is critical, there being little hope of his recovery.

Tired of hiding from officers, Lee Walters, Sault Ste. Marie, gave himself up and said he had robbed Sackrider's saloon and Crowe's drug store in Houghton. Walters is a student in the Houghton Mining school, but refuses to give the name of his parents or tell where they live.

Wm. Cosby, released a few days ago from prison after serving 20 years for murder in the second degree in St. Clair county, has become violently insane, and will be sent to the Kalamazoo asylum. He jumped from a second-story window, imagining that he was being attacked on all sides, and wildly flourishing a big knife.

WITTE'S PLANS

THE SITUATION GROWS MORE ALARMING IN RUSSIA.

PREMIER NOW SAID TO FAVOR DRASTIC MEASURES TO BRING ORDER AND QUIET.

A Gloomy Outlook.

With the complete cutting off of St. Petersburg from the outside world, showing the failure of the efforts of Count Witte to bring the telegraphers' strike to an end, the Russian situation becomes more alarming than ever. It is reported that a general strike of all branches of industry has already begun and that the railways may be expected to stop running at any moment. The situation at Sebastopol and Cronstadt is enveloped in deep mystery and reports are steadily coming in from various parts of the spread of the disaffection among the troops at all points and the anger of the people in general at the threat of the government to mobilize another half million Cossacks for general service.

That the premier has changed his attitude in dealing with the threatening internal and political situation is one of the surprising bits of news. Count Witte is said to be opposed to further conciliatory methods and to favor the adoption of drastic measures for the suppression of the troubles in the army and navy, as well as among the city workers and the peasants. This report has amazed those who have been aware of the fact that a military dictatorship was one of the pitfalls which the reactionaries have been constructing in order to bring about the downfall of the premier and the abandonment of the liberal program which he has been engaged in carrying out.

It is also reported in Berlin, from whence the preceding report comes, that the Poles are already taking advantage of the relaxation of the government's watchfulness and that the revolutionists have again taken up their work where it was interrupted by the declaration of martial law. Disturbances were reported from several points today and Warsaw dispatches say that strong bodies of troops are still held in the city in anticipation of another outbreak of rioting and disorder. Several mutinies of troops are also reported, but none on a large scale.

Only vague reports have been received of the peasant uprising. These represent a combination as steadily spreading in the Volga and central provinces. Reports have also been received of minor anti-Jewish demonstrations in the south, but these cannot be verified in the present state of communication.

Dying Murderess.

In solitary confinement in a cell in East Cambridge jail since November 13, 1888, without having had a glimpse of the outside world since her incarceration, Mrs. Sarah Jane Robinson, the notorious murderess, sentenced to imprisonment for life for poisoning her brother-in-law, Prince Arthur Freeman, and indicted for the death of five others, has become a nervous wreck, which, coupled with a recent development of heart failure has caused the jail officials and the prison doctor, Edward Utley, to give up all hope for her recovery and to look for her death at any moment. Mrs. Robinson has not been outside of her room since her recent illness, but previous to this she had been allowed the run of the corridor for about an hour every day after the other prisoners had retired to their cells.

For years Mrs. Robinson has been reading current papers, and magazines in preference to books, and all the jail officials who see her say that she appears contented and cheerful and thoroughly resigned to her fate.

Sultan Must Yield.

The powers after carefully examining the sultan's latest counter proposals have decided to reject them and actively resume the naval demonstrations in Turkish waters and around the islands of Lemnos and Imbros. No consideration has been given to stopping the passage of the Dardanelles owing to the interruption of international commerce which would follow.

After an examination of the sultan's counter proposals all the powers came to the conclusion that the propositions were dilatory and entirely unsatisfactory.

In fulfillment of a promise made to Mrs. McCready, of Kansas City, Mo., Congressman Patrick Murphy, of Kansas City, the best-dressed member of the Missouri delegation in congress, wore to Washington a Missouri homespun, all wool, spun and woven by that woman.

A new kind of "grip" has been discovered in London. It is of the neuralgia type. Attacks of neuralgic headaches and facial pains are now enormously prevalent. A London street specialist says he believes we are in for a repetition of the headaches and neuralgias of the sixties. These followed the outbreaks of influenza of 1849-50, after which, so far as he had been able to research, the disease pursued the same cycle, finishing with an epidemic of neuralgia headache. He expects something of the same sort for a year or two to come.

Cassie Chadwick was a fizzle as a witness in the Cleveland bankruptcy court Monday, where she was called as her own request to make "sensational" disclosures. She had nothing sensational to impart and collapsed with a weak heart after the hearing ended.

Justice Brewer, of the supreme court of the United States, in the case of the state of South Carolina vs. United States, handed down the decision that the national government may properly tax the state liquor dispensaries of the state. The state contended that as they sold liquor with out profit they should not be taxed.

Rev. John Schaeffer, of Deerfield, Portage county, has just celebrated his 100th birthday, and is said to be the oldest living preacher in the world. He began as a Lutheran, but is at present a disciple of the Church of Christ.

Ng Poon Chew, managing editor of the Chung Sai Yta Po, a Chinese daily paper of San Francisco, in a talk at the University of Chicago on the Chicago exclusion law, said: "All these indignities heaped on China will come back. China is growing stronger every day. We are preparing to fight. In ten years we will have 500,000 well armed men, well trained, with every latest munition of war."

A RACE FOR LIFE.

John F. Nester, the millionaire lumberman of Baraga, Mich., who usually spends his winters in Detroit, underwent an abdominal operation in a Chicago hospital Monday morning, made necessary by complications following typhoid fever. The doctors in Baraga did all they could for their patient, and as the case grew worse, a hurried call was sent to Chicago for two distinguished specialists. They decided that an operation was necessary and Mr. Nester was hurried to Chicago on a special train, all the tracks being cleared for a record-breaking run. His wife and sister-in-law accompanied him and they reached Chicago Saturday night. The operation was performed by Drs. John B. Murphy and James H. Hirsch, and a telegram says that Mr. Nester went through the ordeal remarkably well.

Mr. Nester is in business with his brothers, Frank P., of Duluth, and Geo. P., of Detroit. His mother, widow of the late Thomas Nester, lives in Detroit.

The "Sluggers'" Trial.

A jury to try the defendants in the "Gilhooley" dynamite case was completed on the sixty-sixth court day and the seventy-seventh calendar day since the trial was opened. The cost of the proceedings up to date has been approximately $40,000. Hearing of testimony commenced Monday morning, and at least three weeks will be consumed in the presentation of the cases of the state and defense. The state alone expects to examine 40 witnesses. The attorneys for the defense do not anticipate the conclusion until after Christmas.

The defendants are charged with conspiracy to do bodily injury to Chris J. Carlstrom, a wagonmaker who died last April.

Charles Gilhooley, Marcus Looney, and Edward Feeley, who are said to be professional "sluggers," available for the "educational" work done by "wrecking crews" that have been employed by some unions in Chicago, were arrested May 8, charged with deadly assault on Carlstrom. It is said they confessed to Inspector Shea that they had slugged Carlstrom. A few days later Harry Newman, business agent of the Carriage and Wagon Workers' union No. 4; Charles Clark, business agent, and George Miller were arrested, and they also are alleged to have confessed their connection with the affair. Later there was arrested also George Meller, at that time president of the union; John Helden, Frank Novak and Charles Deutsch, of the executive board of the local. Edward Shield was arrested shortly afterward.

The Cuban Election.

President Palma has been re-elected president of Cuba, together with every other candidate on the municipal ticket down to the provincial councilors.

The political agitation which began six months ago with the national convention of the liberal party, and which has dwindled since the withdrawal of Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, the presidential candidate named by that convention, ended Friday in an election that was so quiet and uninteresting as to cause scarcely a ripple of excitement.

The withdrawal of the liberals from all nominations as a protest against alleged injustices by the government and the people in conducting the primaries, left a clear field for the moderates.

The only liberals who will have seats in the new congress, which opens in April, will be hold-overs.

Eighteen Killed.

An explosion Friday night in mine No. 1 at Diamondville, Wyo., resulted in the death of 18 men. The explosion was caused by a "windy shot." The mine officials in Diamondville say that all who were in the mine were killed. Nearly all of these were English miners, who came to the Wyoming mines direct from England.

A "blown" shot was the cause of the disaster. The small shaft of 18 men were working 4,000 feet down in the mine, knocking down coal to be taken out by the day shift. Presumably the men were close together in a bunch when the "blown" shot of giant powder exploded.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Governor La Follette, of Wisconsin, has resigned to enter the United States senate.

Suicide mania is raging in St. Paul and Minneapolis. Nearly 100 persons have killed themselves in the last two months.

President Roosevelt has appointed William C. Bristol United States attorney for the district of Oregon, vice Francis C. Heney, resigned.

Thomas Dancey and wife, of Buffalo, were found dead together of carbolic acid poisoning. Mrs. Dancey's 15-year-old daughter was unconscious, but revived.

Felix O'Neill, formerly sheriff of Denver county, Denver, Col., has been bequeathed $32,000 by a man named Garrity, at one time a vagrant, whom O'Neill has befriended.

J. Geer and wife, of Minneapolis, plan to walk around the world, starting without money and making what they can by the way, pushing a wheelbarrow around the globe.

A calamity howler in London, writing under the pseudonym of "Sea Star," a book entitled "The Collapse of the Old Line Lines," predicts the loss of the white race. The author declares a war will start between Germany and Great Britain and will be participated in by all the powers, with the result that the black and yellow races will dominate the earth.

"King Dodo" was performed by 50 convicts in the Pittsburg penitentiary. "King-Dodo" was a convict not long in. He was down on the program as No. 346. The other characters were known by their numbers. The audience at "King Dodo" had been tampered with. The jokes were prison made and the audience understood and enjoyed. The leader of the orchestra was Walter Donovan. He was caught with the Biddle brothers when they killed Grocer Kahne. He waved the baton like the real thing. The penitentiary also has a brass band composed of 20 life convicts.

The Jamestown exposition, the three hundredth anniversary of America, being in part a national affair, ran by order of the United States postoffice department be advertised on the walls of postoffice buildings.

Two big snakes of the python family, one 18 feet long, the other 10 feet, were found hugging the stone wall in Riverside park in New York by William Peddie, foreman. The larger one, which is a rare specimen, moved little, for it was evidently dying, but the smaller one wriggled around in a lively manner. The serpents are natives of South Africa and are thought to have escaped from a freight car.

LATE NEWS

FIFTY-NINTH CONGRESS NOW IN OFFICIAL EXISTENCE.

A GREAT FLOOD OF BILLS IS POURED INTO THE HOUSE HOPPER AT ONCE.

Open For Business.

For an hour preceding the opening of the fifty-ninth congress on Monday there were scenes of increasing animation on the floor and in the galleries of the house of representatives.

Roll call showed 264 members present. Speaker Cannon was placed in nomination for speaker by Mr. Hepburn (ia.) and Mr. Williams (Miss.) was nominated on behalf of the minority by Mr. Henry (Tex.).

Reps. Denby, of Michigan; Dixon, of Illinois; Beal, Texas, and Weaver, North Carolina, tallied the vote for speaker.

Speaker Cannon received 243 votes and Mr. Williams 128. In accepting the position, Mr. Cannon said: "I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me, particularly as I may be able to consider your action as an indorsement of my services as speaker of the last congress. We are here as representatives of the people. This house is the only place where the voice of the majority of the people without inder as a rule, can make itself directly express itself. Therefore our responsibility being more direct, is the greater."

An index to the business of the session was the industry of members in introducing bills. As many as 100 public bills had been placed in the basket on the clerk's desk before 11 o'clock, these measures all relating affecting the general government.

There were a few strange faces on the floor of the senate when Vice-President Fairbanks called that body to order at noon. Death had taken away Senators Bate, of Tennessee, and Platt, of Connecticut. There were no changes among the senatorial officials.

Chaplain Edward Everett Hale made the opening prayer. He referred briefly to the months since the senate had been in session and to the work before the members. He concluded by asking the senate to join with him in the Lord's prayer.

Sixty-eight senators responded to the roll call and the vice-president announced that the senate was ready to transact business.

Senators Allison and Morgan were appointed a committee to wait on the president together with a committee from the house.

Resolutions in memory of Senator Platt, of Connecticut, were read, after which the senate adjourned as a further mark of respect.

Shot Native Officer.

Lieut. Charles Pendleton, of the Cebu, P. I., constabulary, was ordered four native soldiers into a vehicle in which he was driving. A native policeman stepped him and ordered him to light the lamps of the vehicle, whereupon Pendleton shot him dead, and continued on his way, but returned later and obtained the body, which he delivered to the police, stating that he had found the man dead on the road. The soldiers accompanying him confirmed his story until today, when they broke down. Pendleton had been drinking.

Pendleton's family live in Atlanta, Ga. He was formerly a sergeant in the Seventy-first regiment of New York. He has been held for murder.

The Woman and the Gun.

One lone woman with a gun kept the authorities of the town of Girard, Ks., at bay Sunday. The woman is Mrs. Ina Berry, of Spokane, Wash., who had held possession of a passenger car for two days, shooting at anyone who tried to enter.

The woman, who is violently insane, had been in a toilet room of the car, where she locked herself in after terrorizing the passengers for more than 48 hours. Her endurance is the most amazing feature of her performance, for in all this time she had been without food and had slept but little without heat. It is certain also that she had not closed her eyes in sleep. For the two days and nights she resisted every effort of policemen and railroad officials to capture her by maintaining the most vigilant lookout.

Plans made to inject chloroform into the toilet room were balked by the woman's vigilance. Revolver bullets pattered about the storming party until the attempt to reach the car was given up.

The insane woman's presence in the sidetracked car made Sunday a holiday.

The murder of the five Presbyterian missionaries in Lainchou, China, having been investigated by U. S. Consul Lay, is demanded by him to be punished by the execution of all who participated in it before he leaves the place.

Dr. Hessel Postma, late of Amsterdam, Holland, is courting his sweetheart, Miss Laura May Love, of Toledo, through an interpreter. Miss Love met Herr Postma in Amsterdam last year, and has accepted him, but is unable to get her tongue around the Dutch language. Though she speaks French, German, Spanish and English fluently.

"Eli Smith, who has been carrying the mail from Candle to Point Barrow over the Seward Peninsula trail in Alaska will go from Seattle to New York city by dog team. He expects to reach New York for the opening of the annual sportsman's show the latter part of March.

Frank Hawk Stepp, a 16-year-old Kentucky boy, sentenced to life imprisonment from Harlan county for killing his cousin, stepped off the train alone at Frankfort and asked a bystander the way to the penitentiary. Tom Ward, the deputy in whose charge he was, was found asleep in the train, dead drunk.

Flags, forming a canopy of black waved above the heads of 100,000 Jews, who marched through the streets of New York Monday, in a mourning parade in memory of the victims of Russian massacres.

A poor Russian named Joseph Listonsky was beaten and dragged through the streets of New York's east side by a mob of 2,000, who declared that he was a soldier of the czar and had taken part in the massacre of Odessa. He may die. Listonsky admitted that he was quartered in Odessa during the recent riots, but had deserted during the excitement.

William Alden Prepares.

William Alden Smith is again a candidate for the United States senate. He is not yet ready to announce it, but will do so formally when he gets ready. He has resigned from the committee on foreign affairs in favor of Denby, has resigned from the chairmanship of the Michigan delegation in the house in favor of Bishop, and resigned from the board of directors of the Pere Marquette railroad. He says he sold his railroad holdings in order to feel free from railroad influence in pending legislation and in the campaign for senator.

Wantonly Shot.

While George Hampton, aged 14, and Warden Beebe, aged 12, two Standish lads, were hunting rabbits Hampton told his chum that he was going to see how near he could come without hitting him and then blazed away with both barrels. The charges of No. 4 shot struck young Beebe square in the back as he was running away, tearing away one kidney and shattering his backbone. Dr. E. C. Warren says the boy cannot live.

Grand River mill pond, Jackson's noted death trap, has claimed its first victims of the winter season, Alexander, aged 8 years, and Ella, aged 6 years, children of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Crepka, on Monday.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—The demand for stockers was not quite so good as it has been, but a fair trade was done on hand sold full steady prices with last week. The cow trade for canning was very active at present and some good choice milkers could be disposed of at good prices. Very few veal calves coming. Those offering are of the common order as a rule. Sheep and lambs ruled steady with last week.

Extra dry-fed steers and heifers ..... $4 50@ 5 00
Steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200 ..... 3 75@ 4 25
Steers and heifers, 800 to 1,000 ..... 3 00@ 3 50
Steers and heifers that are less than 800 lbs ..... 2 75@ 3 25
Choice fat cows ..... 3 00@ 3 50
Good fat cows ..... 2 50@ 3 00
Common cows ..... 2 25@ 2 50
Canners ..... 1 75@ 2 25
Choice heavy bulls ..... 2 75@ 3 10
Fair to good bologna, bulls ..... 2 40@ 2 85
Stock bulls ..... 2 25@ 2 50
Choice feeders, steers, 1,000 to 1,100 ..... 2 50@ 4 00
Fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000 ..... 2 00@ 3 50
Choice stockers, 500 to 700 ..... 3 00@ 3 50
Fair stockers, 500 to 700 ..... 2 50@ 3 00
Stock heifers ..... 2 50@ 3 00
Milkers, large, young, medium age ..... $0 00@$0 00
Common milkers ..... 18 00@ 35 00
Spring lambs ..... 7 00@ 8 00
Light and fair veal calves was rather light and prices were steady to 25 cents higher than they were a week ago.

Sheep—Sheep and lambs took a jump upward and closed strong to 25 cents and 50 to 75 cents higher than they were a week ago. A few extra fine grades brought as high as $7.40, but they were choice, and not many went over $7.25.

Best lambs ..... $7 25@ 7 50
Fair to good lambs ..... 7 00@ 7 25
Light to common lambs ..... 6 50@ 6 75
Best yearlings ..... 6 00@ 6 25
Culls and common ..... 3 00@ 4 50
Hogs—The hog trade this week was an agreeable surprise to the shippers and the market yesterday was 5 cents higher than a week ago.

Most of the sales were made at $4.85 per cwt. Range:

Light to good butchers ..... $4 80@ 4 85
Pigs ..... 4 80@ 4 85
Light yorkers ..... 4 80@ 4 85
Roughs ..... 4 30@ 4 50
Stags ..... 3 00@ 4 00

Chicago—Common to prime steers, $2 90@6 75; cows, $2 80@4 50; heifers, $2@5 25; bulls, $2 50@4 50; calves and feeders, $2 15@4 15; calves, $2@7 50.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $4 85@5 05; medium to good, $4 85@5 05; strong weight butchers, $4 95@5 05; packers, $4 85@5 05; pigs, $4 85@5; packing, $4 55@4 85.

Sheep—Sheep, $3 50@5 90; yearlings, $6@6 50; lambs, $4@7 75.

EAST BUFFALO. — Best export steers, $5@5.25; best, 1,200 to 1,300-pound steers, $4.90@5.10; best, 1,100 to 1,160-pound shipping steers, $4.15@4.40; best fat cows, $3.60@3.75; fair to good, $2.50@3; trimmers, $1.75; best fat heifers, $3.50@4; medium heifers, $3@3.25; export bulls, $3.75@4; fair to common, $2.50@2.75; best feeding steers, $4@4.25; best stockers, $3.75@4; fair to common stock steers, $2@3.25; export bulls, $3.75@4; bologna bulls, $2@2.25. Good cows strong and all others barely steady at last week's prices. It is unfortunate for the farmers that this is the case. Good to extra, $4@5; medium to good, $3.50@4; common, $2.50@3.50; pigs, $5.10@5.15; yorkers, $5.05@5.10; pigs, $5.05@5.10; roughs, $4.90@5.05. Closed active.

Sheep—Lower; best lambs, $7.75@7.80; fair to good, $7.25@7.50; culls to common, $6@6.50; best yearlings, $6.75; culls to common, $4@4.50; wethers, $5.75@6; ewes, $5.25@5.75; best calves, $9@9.25; medium to good, $7.50@8.50; heavy, $5.50@4.50.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Sales and prices in this market were as follows: Wheat—No. 1 white, 86½c; No. 2 red, spot, 2 cars at 84½c; 2 cars at 85c; 5,000 bu at 85½c; 5,000 bu at 85¾c, 5,000 bu at 85⅞c, 2,000 bu at 86c; 5,000 bu at 86¼c; 5,000 bu at 86½c, 5,000 bu at 86⅝c, 5,000 bu at 86¾c, 5,000 bu at 87c; 5,000 bu at 87¼c; 5,000 bu at 87½c; 5,000 bu at 87¾c; 5,000 bu at 88c; 5,000 bu at 88¼c; 5,000 bu at 88½c; 2,000 bu at 88¾c; 5,000 bu at 89c; 5,000 bu at 89¼c; 5,000 bu at 89½c; 5,000 bu at 89¾c; No. 3 red, 84¾c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 44¼c; No. 3 yellow, 3 cars at 44¾c; No. 4 yellow, 2 cars at 44¾c; 1 car at 45c; 1 car at 45½c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, spot, 2 cars at 22¾c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 spot, nominal at 70c per bu.

Beans—December, $1.64 asked; January, $1 60 nominal; March, $1 67 bid, $1 68 asked.

Chicago—Cash quotations: No. 2 spring wheat, 80@82c; No. 3, 80@82c; No. 2 red, 87@88½c; No. 2 corn, 46@46½c; No. 2 yellow, 46¾@47c; No. 2 oats, 29¾c; No. 3 white, 29½c; No. 2 white, 30@30¼c; No. 2 rye, 68c; good feeding barley, 47@48c; fair to choice malting, 51@49c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.13@1.14; No. 1 Northwestern, $1.15; timothy seed, $2 30; clover, contract grade, $13@13.25.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.
Week Ending Dec. 9.

TEMPLE THEATER AND WONDERLAND—Afternoon and evening; 15, 10c, 10-30c. Colonial and Johnson.

LYCEUM—Prices: 15-25-50-75-75c. Mats. Wed. and Sat. Hearts of Gold.

WHITNEY—Evenings 10-20 30c; Mats. 10-15-25c. Vaudeville.

LAFAYETTE THEATER—Prices $1.50; $1.00. The and 4th. Mats. Wed. and Saturday. "The Dantes" and "Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde."

About $35,000 more will be added to the assets of the defunct Vicksburg bank by the action of the United States court in declaring Fred and Eva Nesamith and Ella Cooley involuntary bankrupts. They were concerned in the partnership.

Charles Douglas, a farmer, his wife and two children were instantly killed at Weston, W. Va., by an explosion of a gas main running past their home.

John D. Rockefeller will donate a large share of the funds to build in Cleveland a sky-scraper church modeled after the Broadway Tabernacle in New York.

John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, who is ill at Spring Valley, is improving, but it may be a week or more before he can return to his home in Indianapolis. He is suffering from nervousness caused by overwork.

The last Thursday in April has been selected by a committee of the governors of all states and residents of Washington as the date for future inauguration day instead of March 4, as at present, subject to the approval of congress. The change of date is to avoid the unpleasant weather conditions which generally prevail in Washington in March.