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STATE NEWS

Paul de Lourede is the latest French pretender, but he prudently lives in Austria.

A Butte man spent $1,000 for a tree. That's nothing. A tree cost Adam all his real estate.

Senator Clark of Montana is in the hands of doctors, but they will find him tough and strenuous.

A Buffalo girl has been awarded $41.20 for a stolen kiss. It must have been marked down from $41.25.

The Emperor of Japan eats a twenty-course dinner every day. He isn't going to have an indemnity to raise.

A Philadelphia paper refers to a "semi-millionheiress." That doesn't look much like being blind to the rich.

Maryland claims that her mosquitoes are bigger than New Jersey's. We suspect that Maryland is ringing in blackbirds.

Scotty created a continental sensation at any rate, and he did it on $25,000. He knows how to make money go a long ways.

There must be some limit to the size of new battleships. The quantity of available ocean room is fixed within prescribed limits.

Boston reports that a fisherman found a valuable diamond ring in a flounder. One must have some excuse for fishing for flounders.

Airships are becoming commoner and commoner, but aeronauts who maneuver over lakes or the sea continue to wear cork jackets.

Japan's champion heavyweight wrestler was introduced to Secretary Taft, but prudently refrained from opening professional negotiations.

J. Pierpont Morgan has returned from Europe with 127 suits of clothes. Russell Sage will be losing confidence in Mr. Morgan if he doesn't watch out.

Maryland is suffering from the ravages of a new variety of kissing bug. Or it may be that the seventeen year locust is developing a new form of attack.

Mrs. Langtry is going into vaudeville, principally because she needs the money. Still, she never did much twanging on the art-for-art's-sake string.

A new plot against the sultan of Turkey has been discovered at Kustenji, Roumania. The sultan can't complain that he is being neglected, anyway.

The dry weather is playing havoc with the New Jersey peach crop, but as long as the applejack crop promises to be all right, New Jersey isn't fretting much.

Pennsylvania produces more cherries than any other state in the Union. Statistics show, much to our surprise, however, that it is not the leading plum state.

A Philadelphia man was killed for kicking another Philadelphia man's dog. Since the awakening there the inhabitants of Philadelphia are just like other people.

The professional baseball player is described by a magazine writer as a morose, melancholy and suspicious being. Most umpires probably will corroborate this view.

There's comfort for the poorly-paid in the assertion made by Arnold White, the English writer, that "You cannot always judge a man's brains by the amount of his salary."

It is not true that Gov. Pennypacker of Pennsylvania is going to sell his noted collection of 15,000 historical books because he doesn't have time now to read anything besides the newspapers.

The only strange thing about it is that the price of "Fads and Fancies" wasn't fixed at $10,000 a copy. The people who subscribed for it don't seem to have stopped to consider the value of good money.

One hundred year old Mr. Warner of New York explains his case by the statement that he eats only two meals a day. He might live another 100 years by eating only one meal a day, but would it be worth it?

A woman in Orange, N. J., who wouldn't pay her rent because painters, driven away by bees, had not finished painting her house, found 300 pounds of honey between the walls. And now the painters must feel weary.

At Middletown, N. Y., a bride and groom were arrested because they displayed their affection for each other while in one of the principal streets. Let Middletown hereafter be merely a way station on the honeymoon route.

By an odd coincidence, Fraulein Heaven, who arrived in New York from the Mediterranean the other day, had Marie Hell as a fellow voyager from Genoa to Gibraltar. The obvious comment we positively decline to make.

Mrs. Sarah Lockwood of Stamford, Conn., who at the age of 100 years had her first ride in an automobile a few days ago, says she will now die happy if she can only have a ride in an air ship. Evidently she is what is known as a spry old lady.

The white shoe fad has caused such a demand for white stockings that the supply bids fair to be exhausted, and the manufacturers are raving about their orders. This will be a great surprise to men who do not notice what is going on around the streets.

NAOMI ALDRIDGE LIKELY TO SECURE HER FREEDOM.

UNKNOWN MAN STARVES TO DEATH IN THE WOODS.

LITTLE DETROIT GIRL DECAPITATED BY STREET CAR.

The Frederic Case.

Mrs. Aldridge, who is in the Crawford county jail charged with poisoning her two boys, had a conference with her attorney, Mr. Harris, Tuesday, seems hopeful of her release. He said:

"I am confident that every circumstance that might seem to point to guilt in her case can be explained, and explained in such a way as to prove her innocence."

"Is there another party in the case?" he was asked.

"Not so far as I know now."

"Is it your impression that the children died as a result of accidental poisoning?"

"That is a question I cannot answer."

"Do you think the testimony that the children often tasted or ate things they found in the fields or alleys will have weight?"

"I think that may enter into the case."

Prosecuting Attorney Palmer and Mr. Harris agreed to set August 24 as the date for the examination. This will be no mere formality, but will do much to decide whether Mrs. Aldridge will go free or to prison. Every effort will be made by her attorneys to free her on this examination.

Prosecutor Palmer has held from the first that until Mrs. Aldridge's attorneys arrived the prosecutor was her attorney, and should protect her.

There are not many convictions for serious offenses in Crawford county and it is becoming the general opinion that Mrs. Aldridge will not be convicted.

What her friends most fear is not the evidence in the case itself, but the current report of the woman herself. A jury of honest farmers, taught and teaching that a departure from the narrow way is monstrous, might more readily believe a monstrous act of a woman who has violated convention. But the question now is, will a jury ever hear this case? If it goes to a jury, a change of venue is probable.

Mrs. Aldridge is very quiet in jail, so quiet that her cell door is often left open and she is relieved of much of the outward show of restraint. But she is not defiant or grim—she fears and trembles. When the sheriff called at her house to arrest her she went into hysterics and for nearly two hours could not be controlled.

Since then she has been slowly rallying, but eating little and showing in every way the distaste, shame and all the natural feelings of any woman who might by chance be taken from her home and thrust into a county jail. If by chance anyone passes in the hall she turns away shrinking. Sewing, her one art, is now her only occupation.

Child Decapitated.

Wishing to be just as brave as the other children in the neighborhood, Ruth Henderson, not quite 2 years old, lay down in an excavation between the street car rails at Myrtle street and Wabash avenue, Detroit, and when the first car came along she raised her head in time to be decapitated. When the crew found her her body and curly head were several feet apart. The street car company has been repairing the tracks along Myrtle street. The children have dared each other to lie down in one of the excavations and allow a car to pass over them. Several children did just as the little girl did, so Ruth today died out on the tracks and lay down in the hole as she had seen the boys do, and the motorman did not see her. She lay close to the ground, crouching to the very bottom of the two-foot excavation. The roar of the big car as it approached frightened her, and she raised her head when it was a few feet away, the horrible accident occurring an instant later.

Died Alone.

Sick, starving and alone a man supposed to have been Louis Stanzia, of Chicago, from a bit of paper found by his side, was discovered dying on a bed of leaves between two dogs in the woods two miles north of Escanaba. Before the woodsman who found him could return with a physician the man was dead. A post mortem showed that the unknown was an invalid and that he had not eaten for several days. He had evidently become too weak to go farther and had made a bed in the leaves for sometime. A smoldering fire nearby showed that he had been unconscious but a short time when found.

A. J. Baker, of Jonesville, a pioneer, once greenback candidate for congress, and 87 years old, is dead. He married 61 years ago and his consort survives him.

A small child of Mrs. Fred Coon, of Benton Harbor, is in a critical condition from eating washing powder from a sample package that an agent left at the house.

Frank Miller, a farmer in Huron township near Ypsilanti, of 16 children, has committed suicide by hanging. He had mental troubles but not on account of his family.

South Haven was a wide open town Sunday and thousands of visitors from Chicago and other places came to help the liberal citizens celebrate. It is said that an appeal has been made to Gov. Warner for troops to enforce the laws.

The postoffice at Wolverine, Mich., was burglarized at an early hour Tuesday morning. The burglars secured an entrance by taking out the window. Two separate charges of dynamite were used upon a large office safe, wrecking it completely and the building, too. The burglars secured about $300 in cash and $200 in stamps.

Mrs. Julia S. Hackley, widow of Charles H. Hackley, who in his lifetime was Muskegon's foremost philanthropist, and who has been very seriously ill, has discarded the faith cure treatment and is now in care of a regular practitioner.

Remarkable Explosion.

A recent fatality at the Ludington mine at Iron Moutain was one of the most remarkable chronicled in the Lake Superior mining district. Three men were working at the bottom of the new shaft, which is about 1,000 feet deep. A crew of miners had just finished drilling nine holes and filling them with dynamite. The three—Anton Erickson, William Anderson and Charles Anderson—were connecting the leading wire to the charges of dynamite, preparatory to exploding, when lightning struck the shaft house, ran 1,000 feet down the steel cable attached to the skip, which was resting at the bottom, and exploded the charges. Erickson was instantly killed and his companions severely hurt.

STATE BRIEFS.

The trolley road from Lansing to Pine Lake is finished and regular car service began Sunday.

Henry Hoffman, an old citizen, of Mesz, has been killed by failing to see a train coming upon him.

The Pere Marquette round house at New Buffalo, with three engines, was destroyed by fire Saturday.

Wm. Roberts, aged 40, of Pellston, drank carbolic acid and died in a short time. He leaves a widow and two children.

Five cases of typhoid have been reported in Kalamazoo within the past week, and the health board is looking for the cause.

Angus McMullen, a young farmer near Emmett, has been fatally hurt by a load of hay capsizing on which he was riding.

The fire which started in the Cambria mine, Negaunee, a week ago is now so far as surface indications show, extinguished.

The Ionia county pioneers have had their annual reunion and swapped reminiscences dating back to 1833, when the county was organized.

Capt. Frederick W. Fuger, of the Thirteenth regular infantry, has been detailed as military instructor at the State Agricultural college.

While taking the mail from the letter box, Mrs. John Sebold, two miles south of Bay City, was killed by lightning Saturday evening.

Frank Allcott, a Toledo business man camping on the Au Sable, near Grayling, has been fined $10 and costs for killing a deer out of season.

Gen. James Carnahan, major-general of the Uniform rank, Knights of Pythias, died Thursday at his home in Woodruff place after an illness of two weeks.

While at work on the tents of the Sun Bros.' circus in Hillsdale Sunday, William Hamilton, aged 24, of Midland, Mich., was struck by a pole falling upon him and he died later from his injuries.

Matt Pennanen, of Spur 459, on the Soo line, was killed instantly, killed William Wiles several miles back in the woods. Sheriff Lipsett and Coroner Shepley have gone to the place to investigate.

Resorters near Muskegon found the body of Mathew Wilson, an aged resident, floating in the surf, and two hours were spent by life savers trying to resuscitate him, but with no avail. He was unmarried.

A coroner's jury decides that Olive Templeton, who disappeared from St. Joseph last fall, and whose body was recently found in the St. Joseph river, was accidentally drowned. The girl's home was at Berrien Springs.

Max Zietek, No. 7763, died at the state's prison Monday of heart failure. He was sent there June 26, 1901, from the recorder's court, Detroit, for 15 years for the murder in the second degree of Charles E. Brockl, of Detroit.

The 2-year-old babe of Christopher Vince, of Battle Creek, died from the effects of a dog's bite. While the canine was gnawing a bone the little tot approached it, when, without warning, the animal snapped and caused a flesh wound.

Sylvester Pierce fell from a drainer at the Vicksburg Paper mill into a sewer and was dead when taken out. He struck somewhat on his head and drowned while unconscious in a few inches of water. He leaves a widow and one child.

Charley Cushman, 9 years, and Frank and Van Duesen, aged 11, of Bay City, played with a small bit of gunpowder and matches Saturday and the usual explosion followed. Charley will probably be blind and Frankie is surely disfigured.

Deputy Highway Commissioner, Frank F. Rogers, of Lansing, after examining the roads of Menominee county, has recommended that one section of the county road receive a state bounty of $1,000 and another section a bounty of $500 per mile.

Of the 2,241 men who were on the muster rolls of the Third Michigan cavalry from 1861 to '65 about 600 are still alive, and their average age is 63. The addresses are known of 495 and they will have a royal two days' reunion in Kalamazoo Sept. 14 and 15.

State dairy inspectors visited about 300 farm barnyards about Battle Creek during the past four weeks, and report many of them in bad condition. The farmers are in a pretty mood, and say the inspections are the result of certain Battle Creek parties.

A stray bullet fired by a man supposed to have been slightly drunk in Three Rivers shooting gallery hit Gaie, the 10-year-old son of Mrs. Cox, while the two were walking along Main street. The ball entered his intestines and there is small chance of his recovery.

Not only do Judges Beach and Gage, of Saginaw, sitting en banc, refuse a habeas corpus writ in the case of Harris, the Chicago boss street car strike breaker, charged with shooting from a car June 7, last, and killing Harry Wilder, a 15-year-old lad, but decline to admit him to bail.

George Gage had been out of work a long time at Decatur, Ill., when his home and contents were burned, his wife barely escaping with a tiny babe in her arms. He came to Battle Creek six months ago and secured work at at Advance Thresher Works. Saturday evening he suddenly dropped dead.

The funeral of Lewis C. Goodrich, grand lecturer of the grand lodge of Masons, was held in Ann Arbor Thursday afternoon with Knights Templar honors. Masonic orders from various parts of the state attended and the floral emblems were most elaborate.

Dwight, the 13-year-old son of E. O. Wood, of Flint, while riding his wheel, was run down by a fire department wagon while responding to an alarm, and was so badly injured that he died three hours later. Both wheels passed over his body and one of the animals stepped upon his stomach.

PEACE NEWS

PROGRESS MADE THUS FAR ARE HOPEFUL SIGNS.

FOUR ARTICLES IN THE JAP DEMANDS ARE AGREED UPON.

THE INTEGRITY OF CHINA IS NOW ASSURED BY THE ENVOYS.

Article four of the peace conditions under consideration by the Russian and Japanese plenipotentiaries was agreed upon during the forenoon sitting of the peace conference Tuesday. Consideration also was given to article five, but in the course of discussion difference of views developed and it was decided to take note of the opposing opinions and proceed to the consideration of other articles. The following is the official announcement of the morning's session:

"In the morning sitting of August 15 the conference has discussed articles four and five. Article four was unanimously agreed upon. Not being able to arrive at a unanimous decision on article five, the plenipotentiaries have decided to take note of the divergence of views and to proceed to the discussion of the other articles. The conference will be resumed at 3 o'clock."

This statement was made by Mr. Sibert, of the Russian embassy.

Article four reads: "The surrender of Russian leases on the Liao Tung peninsula, and article 5, which was passed over on account of differences, to the cession of Sakhalin Island to Japan. The points thus far decided are:

Article I—Japan to have protectorate over Korea.

Article II—Both countries to evacuate Manchuria simultaneously, restore it to China, and recognize the "open door."

Article III—Restoration in Manchuria of Chinese civil administration.

Article IV—Cession to Japan of Liao Tung leases held by Russia. This does not include Port Arthur and Dalny.

That making peace is a strenuous life is illustrated by the daily program of work of the peace envoys and their suites. Eight sessions of the conference have been held since the arrival of the missions at Portsmouth, one week ago, and all but one of these has been long at six hours. Outside the sessions everyone connected with the work has continuous and taxing occupation, with but few hours for sleep and practically none for recreation.

The envoys have breakfast before 9 o'clock; they are in the navy yard before 10, and with the exception of a brief space for luncheon, served in the conference building, they stay in session until evening. After this a hurried dinner is served at the hotel and the work of the evening and night begins.

An idea of the volume of cables which are daily sent to Europe and the far east may be gained from the statement that Sunday one cable company handled $19,000 worth of business, including dispatches from both the Russian and Japanese peacemakers, from its headquarters in Portsmouth.

Every day the envoys sit, it is agreed by all, increases the chance of a peaceful outcome, as they are becoming more friendly and their mutual assertions of a desire for peace are certain to bear fruit in the long run.

Witte is said to have scored a point in regard to the evacuation of Manchuria by having it agreed to that both Russia and Japan would evacuate simultaneously. Japan is said to have wanted to remain in Manchuria for some time and put the country in shape before turning it over to China. It is for this reason Russia gave after the Boxer revolution, and as she did not leave at all after getting a foothold the war resulted.

The outcome settles the question of the integrity of China, and one great problem has thus been settled to the satisfaction of the world.

Root Quits Corporations.

Secretary of State Elihu Root has severed all connections with financial institutions of which he was a director. These include the Morton Trust Co., the National Bank of Commerce, the Continental Fire Insurance Co., the Title Guaranty & Trust Co. and several other corporations.

This action was taken in order that he might assume the secretaryship of state without being in any way allied with corporate interests. Mr. Root has been director of some of these institutions for a number of years, including the period when he was secretary of war. His reason for differentiating between the two positions in the cabinet, so far as they affected his personal business affairs, is not revealed.

CONDENSED NEWS.

E. H. Harriman will spend $10,000,000 in railroad building in Oregon, Washington and Idaho within the next year.

Norway is to take a vote soon on the dissolution of the union with Sweden and attempts are being made to secure a unanimous vote. Railroads and steamship companies will carry voters free on the day of balloting.

Bishop Van De Vyver, of Richmond, Va., will probably succeed Archbishop Chapelle, who died from yellow fever in New Orleans. Bishop Van De Vyver is now in Rome. He speaks French fluently.

H. P. Mallan, a Boer colonel, who served in the South African war, is a conductor on a street car line in Kansas City.

Several prominent white citizens of Lake Park, Ga., are charged with the whitecapping of William Pierce, a negro of that place. The warrants charge them with assault with intent to murder, and were sworn out by the negro under the advice of a number of white citizens.

Antonio Maceo, son of the Cuban general and a Cornell student, is running one of the six elevators in the University block, in Syracuse, N. Y.

David R. Francis, ex-governor of Missouri, and ex-boss of the St. Louis fair, would the democratic nomination for president, if Bryan gets out of the way.

CAMP WARNER.

MICHIGAN MILITIA NOW ON LUDLINGTON HEIGHTS.

A heavy rain furnished reminders of real army life to the soldiers of the Michigan national guard, their first night in camp. Nearly 3,000 men had arrived by sundown. Wednesday the tents were all pitched and the routine of the ten days of the encampment is begun. It is the second annual encampment at Ludlington Heights on the 300-acre farm overlooking Lake Michigan and adjoining the Epworth League's reservation. The appointments of the camp and arrangements for handling and caring for the troops are fine. Both officers and men are delighted with the excellent appointments and declare Camp Warner the best the troops have ever had.

Gov. Warner's first official visit to the camp of the Michigan soldier boys was the first event of the 1905 encampment to detract from the hard work the boys have had. The governor became for a time one of a trooper and when escorted to camp by Col. Lino's cavalry and the brigade staff was a conspicuous figure in citizen's clothes amidst a sea of gold lace and cavalry uniforms.

Both Plead Not Guilty.

Harry Parker and Harry Johnson, the two men charged with the murder of Joseph Moyer, the Detroit pawnbroker, were taken into the recorder's court Saturday morning and arraigned on a charge of murder, to which both pleaded "not guilty." Both men denying having made a confession of the murder to the police and Parker puts on a defense of alibi, which he claims is the public gaze. His air of tragadocio is almost disgusting. There was some bickering over the appointment by the court of an attorney to defend the men, but the selection of Thomas O'Hara resulted. While Johnson is phlegmatic, Parker plays to the grand stand at every opportunity.

"I must be a great drawing card," he said. "This is the first time in my life that I was shown so much attention. I am glad that the people want to see me. Pretty soon I am going to sell tickets on the outside. I think I could make some money that way."

Laughingly he returned to his cell and refused to discuss any other feature of his case. The next move in the case will be to fix a day for the trial.

A Woman's Prophesy.

Hundreds of families are leaving Marion, Ohio, rapidly, on account of a prediction by Mrs. Wilkins, of Kansas, that the city is soon to be visited by a disaster, the full extent of which she does not know, or exactly in what form it is to manifest itself. Some time ago, however, she prophesied that all evil places would be uprooted and that much of the worst element of the city would be scattered. Since that time 40 of the 108 saloons and all the pool rooms have been closed and all the gamblers have been run out of the place.

The fulfillment of this prediction has been so remarkable that there is implicit reliance in what she says and many are fleeing from the wrath to come. Mrs. Poe, her husband, is a fanatic, but a modest, retiring woman, the mother of four children, and domestic in her tastes. The people that are leaving are not all ignorant or uneducated, but many of them are intelligent and some of them engaged in business.

Typhoid in Washington.

Twenty-nine new cases of typhoid fever and two deaths from the disease were reported to the health office in Washington, D. C., Tuesday. The outbreak has passed in severity that of 1903, when the greatest number of persons under treatment for the disease at any one time was 224 and it spread rapidly. The officials are bending every effort to fight the disease, including a house-to-house inspection of back yards and cellars with a view to remedying unsanitary conditions.

Parliament Prorogued.

England's parliament was prorogued Friday amid a mass of legislation, which will long be remembered for the unprecedented numbers of votes of censure and motions for adjournment moved with a view to the embarrassment of the government. Only two lords and 50 commons members attended.

The king's speech referred to the efforts of President Roosevelt to bring about peace in the far east, and expressed an earnest hope of their success.

Higgins is Broken.

John Higgins, lifer, trusty, former publisher of the prison paper, "The Typhlmist," is a sick man, broken in health and spirit. The investigation of the charges made by Deputy Warden Foote placed him in the limelight and his deposition from the positions of trust he occupied and his return to an ordinary cell has made such a change that he is said to be on the verge of collapse.

A Rich Cook.

The marriage here of Mrs. Mary Bates, widow of John D. Bates, to Capt. Henry F. Fitzgerald, until lately a British army officer, has called attention to the bride's strange career. She came to Boston from Ireland 12 years ago and became a cook in the household of Mr. Bates, who eventually married her. When Bates died five years ago he left her a fortune of $8,000,000.

Two hours after his wedding, and while the festivities were at their height, Stephana Pitre, aged 30, of Brooklyn, dropped dead from heart disease.

Orders from Washington have been received at the Philadelphia mint to cease operations and dispense with the services of the 600 employes. There is no money left to be coined.

While deranged temporarily Mrs. Chester Winstanley of New Albany, Ind., drowned her 8-year-old daughter in a bath tub, shot her husband, but only slightly wounded him, and then killed herself with carbolic acid.

The Standard Oil Co. group, together with a few other New York capitalists, practically have formed a new corporation under the laws of the Republic of Nicaragua in Central America. They have organized a $20,000,000 development company and have concessions to 10,000,000 acres of land, nearly the whole country. Under the concessions they have the exclusive right to dig mines, explore for gold, silver and other minerals and precious stones, oil and coal, the use of all the water and timber, exclusive railroad, steamship, telephone, telegraph, wharfage and customs rights. The octopus is supreme.

LATE NEWS

NEW ORLEANS BATTLING TO STOP SPREAD OF FEVER.

PLOT TO BLOW UP THE PRESIDENT'S TRAIN WAS FOILED BY OFFICIALS.

CHINA WARNED TO KEEP TREATY CONDITIONS WITH UNITED STATES.

Record-breaking numbers of new yellow fever cases, 105, and of new fever deaths 24, were reported in New Orleans Saturday through the efforts of Marine hospital inspectors. The day's death list of nine yellow fever victims equals Friday's record, which surpassed previous records for the present visitation.

With the exception of a few squares, all of New Orleans below Canal street is now practically infected with yellow fever. While most havoc has been caused in this portion of New Orleans, where foreigners live, the disease has spread to many places in what is known as the American quarter, above Canal street. Most cases in the American quarter are isolated, however. Health officers are still unable to assert whether the high water mark of daily new cases has been reached. About 15 per cent of all those thus far stricken with yellow fever have recovered, the death being about one in every six persons infected.

Didn't Frighten the President.

The Erie railroad officials were alarmed for the safety of President Roosevelt on his way from Chautauqua to Jersey City, Saturday, is shown by the fact made known that the president's train did not come to over the main line. Instead, the Chautauqua special was broken in two at Buffalo, N. Y., and the presidential party was brought in by a roundabout way over two small branch roads.

President Roosevelt was said to have objected to the unusual precautions taken but acquiesced when positive orders from Chauncey M. Depew, of the Erie, were shown to him. These orders were issued as a result of a letter received by the Paterson police which said there was a plot to blow up the president's train near Ridgewood, N. J.

Slow time was made over the Piermont branch and the Northern railroad and extra men guarded every part of both roads. This explains the fact that the president reached New York at 8 a. m. instead of 2 a. m. It was said at first that the train had gone very slowly to allow the presidential party time to get a good rest.

Warns China.

Alarm regarding the impending financial crisis in consequence of the Chinese boycott of American goods is intensified by President Roosevelt has instructed Minister Rockhill to warn China that the United States will insist on the full observance of article 7 of the Tien Tsin treaty of 1858, which provides that "at each of the ports open to commerce, citizens of the United States shall be permitted to import from abroad, and sell, purchase and transport in all parts of China, which the importation or exportation is not prohibited by the laws of the empire."

John D. to Give Millions.

The Cleveland World-News says: At conferences now taking place at Forest Hill between John D. Rockefeller and President William R. Harper, of Chicago University, plans are being formulated for the further endowment of that institution by Mr. Rockefeller.

President and Mrs. Harper are in Cleveland. Their visit to the home of Mr. Rockefeller is said to be one of a social character, but it is known that plans involving the expenditure of $50,000,000 are under consideration by Mr. Rockefeller, who designs to make the University of Chicago the greatest seat of learning in the world.

It is believed the final steps in the matter will have been taken before President Harper leaves Forrest Hill; and that his return to Chicago will be followed by the announcement that the work of enlarging the scope of the university will be begun immediately.

Sound Advice.

When President Roosevelt addressed the coal miners at Wilkesbarre last week he scolded the brawny men, but laugh'd as he did so. The men enjoyed his castigation to the last they, too, laughed until he told them that he was very serious indeed. When the applause was loudest he said: "If any of you here are applauding the sentiments of virtue and then go home to your family in such a way that the family will wish that you had stayed away, I do not think much of such a person."

There was laughter and much applause at this. "In these troubles we call labor troubles," said he; "you are right I will stand by you; but I want to tell you that if you are wrong I will not stand by you."

He warned the miners that if they were unfair in trying to enforce their demands they would not have his sympathy, and when he made it plain he was for the principle that every man had the right to work for what he pleased, and that those without the unions should not be harmed by those within it, even this radical sentiment was warmly applauded.

There was no attempt to hide the fact that the president had come as much on account of the miners' union as for the benefit of the society. Mr. Roosevelt referred more than once to the fact that he was the guest of the union.

A boom movement is on in Battle Creek, one object is to boom and boost until the town gets 50,000 population.

Percy Pembroke, a 16-year-old San Francisco boy, has confessed that he held up, murdered and robbed Thomas Cook, a neighbor, all because he wanted a little spending money.

After talking two hours with a life insurance agent Henry Pault, of Appleton, Wis., said he couldn't afford to take out any insurance. Turning his back he fell dead from heart failure.

Ten thousand harvest hands are wanted in the northwest for the wheat harvest, about to begin. Wages range from $1.75 to $2.50 a day. Grand Forks, N. D., wants 3,000; Fargo, 1,000; and a number of others anywhere from 50 to 1,000.

LATE NEWS

THE PHILIPPINES.

SECRETARY TAFT TELLS THE FILIPINOS THE U. S. POLICY.

Secretary Taft outlined the Philippine policy of the administration at a dinner tendered by Manila Filipinos. There has been much unrest in the islands of late owing to fear that the McKinley policy was being deviated from. Secretary Taft assured his auditors that, "the great majority of Americans, whose exponent President Roosevelt is, "believe that it is the duty of the United States to prepare the Filipinos for self-government. This will require a generation and probably longer. The president desires me to say to the Filipinos that he feels charged with the duty of maintaining the sovereignty of the United States here as an instrument of the gradual education and elevation of the whole Filipino people to a self-governing community."

The secretary affirmed that a popular assembly would be formed, if no insurrection existed, in April, 1907.

"The administration's policy, he said, was the Philippines for the Filipinos. If the American officers were not in sympathy with this policy, and with the natives they would be recalled.

Eight Lives Lost.

Four men, Anson Drooping, Nelse Oleson, John Holden and Seber Hunt, went cruising in a sailboat in Lake Michigan near Traverse City Sunday. A puff capsized their boat and Drooping and Oleson were drowned. Hunt and Holden clung to the boat and were washed ashore.

George Fraunrider and Eddie Rockinger, lads of 12 and 10 respectively, went bathing along with their afternoon in the Kalamazoo river. Eddie got tangled in the weeds in deep water, and Georgie went to help him. Both then drowned.

John Gilbert, a Chicago book and newspaper illustrator, who has been in Three Rivers summers for two years with his family, was drowned at Corey Lake Sunday. He was in a small boat with his wife, family and friends, and when within a few rods from the shore jumped into the water with his swim shore. He swam a few strokes and then went down in 30 feet of water, presumably from a cramp.

Sylvester Pierce, an employe of the Lee Paper Co., Vicksburg, was drowned Saturday afternoon by falling into an open sewer. He was stunned when he struck.

Matthew Wilson, an old Muskegon citizen, was drowned Saturday afternoon while swimming in the lake. A cramp seized him.

Sam Emberly, of Cleveland, who has been employed at the Port Edward docks testing Cleveland boats, has been in the act of crossing to Port Huron in a small boat according to a Cleveland paper. He tried it Monday on a flat boat, capsized and was drowned. He was 30 years old.

Burglars looted Jonas Brown's house in Hillsdale Wednesday afternoon and got about $400 worth of booty.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—The cattle market was not in any way satisfactory, as trade was dull, common grades of butchers' 400 and all grades of cattle 10 to 25c lower than they were a week ago. There was very little demand for stockers and feeders from the country. Milch cows and springers sold at about steady prices; best grades, $35@45; common, $15@25. The veal calves trade was also dull, but at the close were about 75c lower than the week before. Good to choice grades, $6@6.25; medium, $5@5.50; common to skips, $2.50@4.50.

Hogs—Light to good butchers, $6.10@6.15; pigs, $6; light yorkers, $5@5.05.

Sheep—Lambs, $6@6.25; fair to good lambs, $5@5.50; light to common lambs, $4.50@5.25; fair to good butcher sheep, $3.75@4.50.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, $5.25@5.85; poor to medium, $3.90@5; stockers and feeders, $2.25@4.25; cows, $2.50@4.40; heifers, $2.50@4.75; canners, $1.25@2.40; bulls, $2.40@3.80; calves, $3@6.75; Texas fed steers, $3.60@4.60; western steers, $3.50@4.75.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $5.55@6.20; good to choice heavy, $6.05@6.20; rough heavy, $5.65@5.90; light, $5.55@6.25; bulk of sales, $5.85@6.15.

Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $4.60@5; fair to choice mixed, $4@4.50; native lambs, $5.25@7.25.

Grain, Etc.

Chicago—Cash, 1 car red wheat, $1@82½c; No. 2 corn, 55c; No. 2 yellow, 56c; No. 2 oats, 26½c; No. 2 rye, 78c; No. 2 barley, 44c; No. 3 white, 26¾@28c; No. 2 rye, 28c; fair to choice malting barley, 40@43c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.14; No. 1 northwestern, $1.17; prime timothy seed, $3.30; prime, contract grade, $12.50@12.75.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 2 red, spot, 2 cars at 83¾c, 3 cars at 83½c, 2 cars at 83¼c; September, 10,000 bu at 84¼c, 15,000 bu at 84¾c, 5,000 bu at 84½c, 5,000 bu at 83¾c, 8,000 bu at 83¾c; December, 10,000 bu at 86c, 5,000 bu at 86¼c, 6,000 bu at 86c, 8,000 bu at 85¾c, closing nominal at 85¼c; No. 3 red, 79½c; No. 1 white, 83¾c; No. 2 white, 1 car at 78½c, 1 car at 80c, 1 car at 81½c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed at 57¼c; No. 3 yellow, 2 cars at 58c per bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, old, 1 car at 29c; new, 4 cars at 27¾c; September, 5,000 bu at 28c; No. 4 white, 1 car at 27½c; by sample, 1 car at 26¾c per bu.

Rye—No. 2 spot, 6 cars at 61c; August, 2,000 bu at 61c per bu.

Clover seed—Prime October, 100 bags at $5.85; December, 100 bags at $5.82½; sample alsike, 20 bags at $5.50, 5 at $6, 7 at $5.75; sample, 10 bags at $5.

Timothy seed—Prime spot, 10 bags at $1.50 per bu.

STEAMERS LEAVING DETROIT.

DETROIT & CLEVELAND NAV. CO.—Foot Wayne St.—Ft Cleveland daily at 10:00 p.m. Mackinaw, "Soo" and Chicago, Monday and Saturday 5 pm; Wednesday and Friday 4:30 pm.

Saturday Excursions to Cleveland, $2 round trip.

DETROIT & BUFFALO STEAMBOAT CO.—Foot of Wayne St.—For Buffalo, Tuesday and Friday 4 pm; Sunday 4 pm. Saturday Excursions $2.50.

WHITE STAR LINE—Foot of Newark St. For Port Huron and way ports daily 8:30 am and 2:30 pm. Sun 8 am. For Toledo, daily 4:30 pm. Sunday 5 pm.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending Aug. 19.

TEMPLE THEATRE—WAGNER MATINEE DAILY—Afternoons 2:15, 15c to 75c; Evenings 8:15, 10c to 50.

"The world owes us nothing," said "Bluebeard" Hoch in a short address to his fellow prisoners. "We owe the world all we have. We are all victims of circumstances, but we must learn to be cheerful and make the best of our position in life. Yes, every person who serves one day in jail should be taught a lesson that he will remember to his dying day. Imprisonment, whether you are guilty or innocent, should not make you bitter against the world; it should teach you a lesson. Do good, it does not pay to be bad. That is my advice to you, boys."

Back from Europe, where he saw how many American consuls live, Assistant Secretary of State Loomis says consuls ought to have longer terms of office and higher salaries.

Upward of 9,000 operatives in the Heywood, England, cotton mills have given one week's notice of their intention to quit unless their demand for an increase of 5 per cent in wages is complied with.

Lightning having killed one of his mules, Perry Campbell, who is travelling from Albany, Ind., to Vincennes, stripped into harness with the other beast and hauled his wife and household goods for several days.