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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, DEC 20.

The army needs more dentists. Even a soldier's teeth have to be drilled.

West Point is shy 73 cadets, but the country is yet to behold a West Pointer shy.

People who want to get fat cannot afford to pay what the butcher charges for it.

More than 200,000,000 corsets are turned out every year in this country. Surely enough to go around.

A shelter home for cats may be all right, but supposing the cats prefer the comforts of the back fence.

A Jersey miser was found to be an illicit distiller of applejack. He was consistently determined to be tight.

The woman who rushed into the burning building to rescue her false teeth also escaped by the skin of them.

The manner of the man will prove his meanness or nobility, poverty and riches making little difference to the soul.

It will take more gold than that turned out by the Philadelphia mint to develop anything like a yellow streak.

The optimist has a great advantage over the pessimist by looking on the bright side of life even when it seems the darkest.

Naturally the Utes feel aggrieved at the president for being so specific in his manifesto against those too lazy to work.

An Oklahoma newspaper runs a matrimonial department. Some editors are absolutely without dread of the enemies they make.

Washington sends out statistics to show that America is second in naval strength. It might have added that Japan is a long way from being first.

In addition to the weight of his 66 years King Edward is burdened now with the responsibility of having to own and look after a $750,000 diamond.

A man who paid $95,000 for a seat on the New York stock exchange not long ago has just sold it for $42,000. He was lucky not to have bought it on a margin.

A woman in doing housework is said to cover seven miles a day, a fact which may be of service to her if she is trying to get her husband to buy an automobile.

Now it is decided that the Panama canal is to be 110 feet wide. From the way vessels are increasing in size and speed, it might be a good idea to make the thing square.

A tract entitled "Good Newes from New England" sold for $1,250 in London, which shows that some one in the world can be interested both in religion and in Massachusetts.

The way Glidden is going in for ballooning arouses the suspicion that he has wearied of appearing in court every time some one is run over by one of his automobile racers.

Prof. Percival Lowell says he has conclusive evidence that Mars is inhabited, but he does not go so far as to furnish any data concerning the present price of turkeys on the planet.

Notwithstanding the common check restrictions the cashier of an Oklahoma bank drew $50,000 just before departing for parts unknown. Just think what a good thing a $10 limit would have been!

Lord Avebury says that the financial trouble in the United States is due to the nation's great prosperity. Gentlemen who have been too prosperous should hasten to plead guilty and throw themselves on the mercy of the court.

A New York man has just coughed up a nail which has been in his lungs for 18 months. Incidentally, he coughed up in the interval much more than a nail for bronchitis bills, as that is how the doctors diagnosed his trouble. Now he is taking iron in his system in the regular way.

A controversy is now on as to whether Americans appreciate real musical art. They appreciate it quite as much as the musical artists appreciate American dollars, for they all come over here when they feel the necessity of placing high art on a substantial basis.

In England the greatest possible phenomenon has happened. In the case of the threatened railway strike a precedent has been established by which both sides are satisfied. To establish a precedent is a wrench to the British mind in itself, but to satisfy everybody in doing so is so unprecedented as to redouble the shock.

In these days it requires big quantities and a great variety to satisfy the requirements of "jack at sea." The outfitting of the battleship fleet which is going to the Pacific ocean for a practice cruise includes 48,000 cigarettes, 1,000 pounds of navy plug tobacco, 30,000 cigars and 15,000 pounds of candy. Of course, all this is in addition to the ordinary stores of flour, meat and other "chuck" which are indispensable. It is clear that Uncle Sam means that his blue jackets shall lack for none of the necessities of life.

A man was caught under the bed in a New York house. He ought to be put in an iron cage and kept at the zoo or some other public place, so that timid women could be assured by seeing him that the dread of every feminine life—the man-under-the-bed—was caught at last.

Through the execution of a bad elephant at Bridgeport, Conn., one day last week a quantity of elephant meat, estimated at 9,000 pounds, was thrown on the market, but without any visible effect on prevailing prices.

THE LATEST NEWS OF MICHIGAN

McCOMB GOES TO JACKSON FOR LIFE WITH HARD LABOR INCLUDED.

FEELS HE IS DISGRACED.

Views of Matters and Things in Various Parts of the State of More or Less Interest.

Is Not Sorry.

Robert McComb goes to the state prison at Jackson for life with no regret for the killing of John Irwin, whom he shot down on August 12, while the latter was returning home after his day's work.

From the testimony of the accused himself, the murder was carefully planned and committed with deliberation.

His last words on the witness stand were "I'm not sorry that I did it." The jury deliberated twenty minutes and returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.

Immediately after the verdict had been announced Judge Wisner sentenced the prisoner to life imprisonment at hard labor and in solitary confinement.

McComb's only comment on the verdict and sentence was to the effect that he was satisfied.

Enjoys the Notoriety.

George Mack, the Cheboygan man, who was engaged to two girls at the same time and who was under arrest in Bay City on the charge of stealing a ring belonging to Miss Leah Harris, one of his victims, appeared to enjoy the notoriety in the crowded court room.

Mack's parents refused to furnish him the funds with which to hire an attorney and Mack will plead his own case next Tuesday.

Flossie Brashaw sticks by her husband and daily visits him in the jail.

Mack has issued the following statement in which he maintains his innocence:

"I have only one wife and that is Flossie Brashaw, and what has been said about me has been a disgrace to both me and my wife, and I have stood it as long as I wish to, and unless the persons who have accused me of being a bigamist produce those many wives of mine, whom they claim me to have, I shall prosecute them on my discharge, for slander. I will not stand for any more disgrace on myself and young wife, who is a respectable girl and has respectable parents."

A Strange Disease.

Gustave Albrecht died at his home Sunday of purpura hemorrhagica, one of the rarest and most peculiar diseases known to medical science. His case has attracted a great deal of interest among physicians.

The victim bled for the most part profusely through the mucus membranes until exhausted. In many aggravated cases the blood actually seeps through the pores of the skin. Albrecht had been suffering off and on from the disease for over a year and his case was one of few ever heard of in this state.

Deserted Baby.

Crying bitterly, a week-old baby was found on a table in the office of A. E. Sutterle's feed barn, in Owosso. Sutterle took the infant to his home for temporary care.

Two weeks ago Saturday night a woman giving the name of Persons alighted from a train at Laingsburg and went to the room of a traveling photographer, where she gave birth to a child. The woman came to Owosso and is believed to have left the babe in the barn. She cannot be found.

Miserable Life Ended.

Despondent because her paramour threatened to desert her because of her fondness for drink, Mrs. Ida Wentworth, who has a husband living somewhere in Maine, committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid at her squalid home in West Houghton. When the lover returned several hours later he stumbled over the cold body of the woman who gave up a happy home and husband to join him in his wanderings throughout the country.

Married Step-Grandmother.

Fred A. Shotwell, aged 30, of Potterville, was married to his step-grandmother. Mrs. Emma Shotwell, aged 71, nearly a month ago, but the marriage was kept secret. The couple live on a farm three miles from town. Mrs. Shotwell was the fourth wife of the groom's grandfather. He has been married once before, but was divorced.

STATE BRIEFS.

The East Jordan Electric Light & Power Co. dam gave way, carrying with it the E. J. & S. railway bridge.

The coroner's jury called Gust. Nelson, of Manistique, a burglar and exonerated Herman Quick, the youth who killed him.

With remarkable deliberation, Milan Reynolds, of Franklin, tied a string to the trigger of his shotgun, then pointing the gun at himself, pulled until the charge exploded, killing him instantly.

All efforts to find any trace of William Robb, supposed to have been drowned near Benton Harbor, have proved fruitless.

Because the teacher, E. Campbell, took him by the ear, Schuyler Kindner left the school building, and his father had a warrant sworn out for the teacher, charging assault and battery.

A Lete, of New Haven township, Gratiot county, received word Thursday of the death of his daughter, Mrs. Belma Failing, at Rattan, N. M. She died in a hospital after six weeks' illness from typhoid. Mrs. Failing was 29 years old and a graduate of the Ithaca Normal.

Judge Wiest has handed down a decision in the Ingham circuit court in favor of the Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee railroad in the case of the state against the railroad, to settle the question of taxation. The road claims that under the original charter which makes it exempt from taxation, the section of the road between Detroit and Pontiac is not liable to taxes, and Judge Wiest's decision makes the whole road exempt under the old charter. The case will be appealed.

Nine cattle were killed by a Michigan Central train near Ceresco Tuesday night.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Six hundred "co-eds" attended the freshmen spread of the U. of M.

William Bailey, aged 22, a Grand Trunk brakeman of Goodells, fell under the wheels and lost an arm.

Elbridge W. White has been commissioned a major and chaplain of the First regiment, M. N. G.

Reinhardt Piegosls, living in Midland, pierced an artery while pitching hay and died from blood poisoning.

Struck by a baseball last summer, Harold Hobenstein, aged 16, of Muskegon, died fro ma blood clot on the brain.

Insane over the arrest of her 18-year-old son, Mrs. Emma McComb, of Mason, was sent to the Kalamazoo asylum.

Joseph Carter, arrested on suspicion in connection with the murder of Horace S. Davis, of Kalamazoo, was released.

W. R. Baker, a New York traveling man, ordered a 75-cent meal at a Saginaw hotel and found a $50 pearl in an oyster.

Bert Smith, formerly of Grand Rapids, was murdered by robbers at the Irving Golf club in Chicago, where he was steward.

Pennsylvania miners who paid $3 to a Pittsburg employment agency for Bay City jobs, arrived to find they had been deceived.

William Satterlee, who has lived in Troy township all his life, died on the farm where he was born. He was 81 years old.

The Eureka mine, three miles east of Bessemer, has closed down. About 100 men are out of employment by the suspension.

Melvin Thompson, of Bagnall, attacked his wife and the hook of a poker she used in her defense penetrated his skull.

Due to the small demand for ore, the force of the Marquette steel corporation will be reduced 25 per cent, releasing 400 men.

The 1-year-old child of Fred Barnette, of Crystal Falls, tried to swallow the detached knob of a stove door and choked to death.

James Wilson, of Calumet, is reported to have killed an aged man in Paris with his automobile in which he was touring Europe.

In spite of the fact that Friday was the thirteenth of the month, over 200 Thrashermen met in Lansing and organized a state association.

The Dow chemical plant, in Mt. Pleasant, has resumed work again with a force of 20 men and prospects of taking on a full quota shortly.

After having been dumb for the past six years, Henry Haack, of Battle Creek, had his speech restored when he was struck by an auto.

Burglars blew the safe in William Back's general store in Hudsonville and stole $50. About $10 was taken from the cash drawer of Edson & Coy.

Frank Green, of Bay City, had his hand nearly blown off Wednesday, when his shotgun discharged with the young man's hand over the end of the barrel.

Tony Duly, of East Tawas, who shot and killed John Ferris, a steamboat agent in a dock office at Oscoda, was sentenced to life imprisonment in Marquette.

Joseph Narrowitz, a Muskegon tailor, was discovered digging his own grave in the same plot where his wife is buried. He was arrested on an insanity charge.

William Bennett, a lineman in the employ of the Michigan State Telephone Co., fell from a pole near Iron Mountain and crushed his skull, dying almost instantly.

Judge Minor ordered Dr. David Austin to pay Dr. Robb, of Flushing, $350 or quit practicing in Laingsburg. The case grew out of Dr. Austin's purchase of Dr. Robb's residence and business.

The first of the cases resulting from the wreck of the circus train at Durand, has been finished in Laporte, Ind., with the result that the victim, Rose Kelley, secured a verdict of $2,000.

The American Express Co. filed articles of incorporation Wednesday, naming its capital stock at $106,000, but the company paid a franchise fee on only a small portion of this amount.

Clara Connelly, of Grand Rapids, who shot and killed her husband, Joseph, whom she accused of causing her downfall, was sentenced to from 2 to 15 years in the Detroit house of correction.

Emiliano DeGala, who was graduated from the law department of the U. of M. a year ago, has been elected a member of the legislature of the Philippines, representing Manila and adjacent territory.

It transpired that Winnie Miller, arrested in connection with the Olivet postoffice safe robbery, bought a safe, and selling it, is alleged to have remarked that he only bought it for examination purposes.

The Republican and Democratic committees will try to arrange a voluntary primary to take the place of the legal primary, which the anti-administration leaders refused to restore to Grand Rapids.

The two McDonald boys, Guy and Cassius, have been arrested again on a charge of having a deer hide illegally in their possession at their camp at Bear lake. This time the action is before Justice Shea, at Ironwood. Trial was put over till January 10. This is the fourth proceeding of this nature the previous three at Bessemer having been thrown out of court.

Patrick Lynch, of Memphis, started suit against the Pere Marquette railway for overtime work pay on work done as a switchman from 1900 to 1905 in Bay Cit. He is an old man and while in the employ of the company, he claims he lost an eye by being struck with a piece of coal from a passing engine.

Mabel Molitor, aged 16, was perhaps fatally injured while playing basket ball in the girls' department of Hackley gymnasium, Muskegon. Miss Molitor was playing center and fell in a scrimmage, striking her head on her forehead. She was taken to her home. Doctors fear concussion of the brain.

Martin P. Birdsall, a Grand Rapids dealer, accused of selling adulterated milk and acquitted, has filed suit for $5,000 for alleged malicious prosecution. A verdict for the plaintiff would have hampered the dairy and food department work.

Brooding because he accidentally shot and killed a young daughter nine years ago, John G. Snell, a Novi farmer, cut his throat on his 45th birthday anniversary and died.

Congressman George A. Loud is working to have Petoskey made a port of entry, so that the local tanneries may secure rebates on exports made from imported hides.

From the State Capital

Information and Gossip Furnished by Special Correspondent at Lansing.

Lansing.—Nearly 200 delegates to the State Farmers' Club association were present at the annual meeting of the organization, which was held in the senate chamber. President L. Whitney Watkins, of Manchester, in his address to the association, touched upon the recent financial flurry, and said it was due to the era of high prices and prosperity and plunging by speculators and others. "If some of the railroads would use the excess water in their stocks for laundry purposes," said Railroad Commissioner C. L. Glasgow, in a talk to the association, "they would find it easier and pay a reasonable dividend." The commissioner talked nearly an hour to the farmers. Gov. Warner addressed the association. He went over his differences with the "boxers," and described his position on primary election and other bills, saying there is no reason why telephone and telegraph companies should not pay taxes on the same basis as other property.

Discuss Michigan Child Labor.

The child labor situation in Michigan was reviewed in an address to the state charity superintendents by State Labor Commissioner M. J. McLeod, of Detroit, who ably analyzed the causes and results of child labor. He blamed greedy parents and employers for most of the evil of the practice. In part his address was as follows: "The laws restricting child labor in Michigan are considered among the most efficient of any of the states, and it is the constant endeavor of the officials charged with their execution to see that they are firmly, judiciously and effectively administered. No effort is too great to accomplish the desired end, and no employer is exempt from the operation of the law. Factory inspectors, in their several jurisdictions, are held responsible in the performance of their duties."

Oil Inspection Paying.

During one month the deputy oil inspectors inspected 1,984,252 gallons of kerosene oil. Besides paying all expenses, including the salaries of the state inspector and deputies, there was a net profit which Mr. Neal has to turn over to the state of $1,250. A later inspection was considerably more than that, and the revenue will be proportionately greater. The number of districts have been changed so that the expense for the oil inspection is considerably less and deputies are enabled to make their inspection with considerable more promptness. The fee of one-fifth of a cent per gallon is paid by the oil companies, and nets the state upwards of $10,000 a year.

Successful Session of Grange.

Four hundred delegates, representing 51,000 members of the Michigan State Grange, held one of the most successful annual sessions in history at Saginaw. Much political talk was indulged in. Immediately following the address of Grand Master Horton, Chaplain Mrs. O. J. C. Woodman introduced a resolution for the appointment of a committee to go to Lansing and appear before the Con-Con advocating the incorporation of an absolute prohibition clause, barring all liquors from the state, in the constitution. It was unanimously carried.

Hill in Receptive Mood.

Arthur Hill, in a speech to the Michigan Implement & Vehicle dealers, was introduced as "the man who will some day become United States senator." Hill made no denial of the impeachment, but showed he was still in politics by calling attention to the treatment he received at the hands of Congress and appear before the Con-Con advocating the incorporation of an absolute prohibition clause, barring all liquors from the state, in the constitution. It was unanimously carried.

Work of the Convention.

In the Michigan constitutional convention things are moving along quietly.

George W. Clapperton, of Grand Rapids, appeared before the committee on finance and taxation as an advocate of advanced methods of taxation. He urged the destruction of the uniform rule, the separation of state and county taxes and advised that the widest latitude be given the legislature in the way of taxation powers.

The judiciary committee listened to arguments against the fellow servants' contributory negligence acts, it being contended that the last named should be left for the jury to decide.

The committee on phraseology and arrangement has offered some amendments and radical suggestions relating to proposals which have passed the committee of the whole on the first reading.

Some people of the college towns are against the proposal which will exclude the sale of liquor in those cities in the state.

The committee on cities and villages is divided on the subject of home rule and municipal ownership and there is going to be a spirited fight in the convention on this subject.

Representatives of the trainmen were on the floor of the convention opposing the railroads being released from liability for accidents.

The committee on elections has reported out a proposal which does not make it mandatory on the legislature to enact any kind of primary measures.

Delegate Hally of Wayne introduced two proposals of considerable interest. The first declares: No law shall establish, protect and enforce by lien the rights of mechanics and others for the erecting or alteration of any building or structure, except for labor performed.

The committee on public service corporations of the constitutional convention now in session here adopted a recommendation that in the revised constitution all state officers, including members of the legislature and judges, be prohibited from accepting passes.

The state grange, with membership of 57,000, at its annual meeting here adopted a resolution calling upon the constitutional convention now in session at Lansing to insert a prohibition clause in the new constitution.

Home rule and municipal ownership proposals have been agreed on by the committee on cities and villages. There is no likelihood that the convention will pass the propositions as they now stand. Many flaws are picked in the propositions.

Two proposals relative to the state funds were introduced. One by Delegate Read, prohibiting the depositing of such funds in any bank in which an elective state officer may be a stockholder and limiting the amount to 25 per cent. of the capital stock of each bank.

Delegate Adams proposes that the legislature shall provide by law for deposit with the state by banks organized under the laws of the state.

Company E May Be Disbanded.

Inspector General Wagner, of Port Huron, and Gov. Warner are expected in Pontiac to inspect company E of the Michigan National Guard. While here they will ask the council if it can make a donation of a piece of ground for the purpose of erecting thereon a new armory. It is declared the present armory is insufficient and that should the council refuse to make the donation the company will be mustered out.

Replace Blackboards.

Secretary Crampton, of the railroad commission, has sent out to the railroads a notice calling their attention to act 142 of the public acts of 1895, which provides for maintaining blackboards in railway stations. The commissioners are determined that the convenience of the public demands that this statute be observed better than it has been and have also asked the roads to request their agents to date each bulletin every day.

Wheat Condition Is Good.

Wheat sowed this fall has made a good start, according to the monthly crop report. Its condition is reported at 88 per cent. The condition of rye is 86 per cent. and fall pastures 83 per cent. Live stock is reported in good condition, the per cent. being 94 for horses, cattle and swine and 96 for sheep. Hog cholera is reported in Kalamazoo, Lenawee, Montcalm and St. Joseph counties.

Have Much Cash on Hand.

The Saginaw bank statements are believed to show a better financial condition locally than can be found in almost any other city in the country, population considered. They show upwards of $8,000,000 on deposit, with practically no withdrawals of any kind. For six weeks Saginaw banks business throughout the financial crisis, kept on a strictly cash basis. They have supplied all their customers with cash for some of the heaviest pay rolls in the state, including $500,000 for the sugar beet companies.

Hold First Session.

The first annual convention of Michigan threshermen was held here. The threshers were on hand early. The meeting was called to order by E. S. Porter, president of the Lansing Business Men's association. Temporary officers were elected and Mayor Hugh Lyons welcomed the threshermen to the capital city. The band discoursed music and State Highway Commissioner Horatio S. Earle welcomed the delegates on behalf of the state of Michigan.

MEET, IN DENVER.

Democratic National Convention to Be Held July 7.

After deciding to hold the next Democratic national convention at Denver and fixing the date of the meeting for July 7, 1908, the Democratic national committee entered upon a spirited debate on the propriety of accepting the use of the $100,000 offered by Denver for the convention than actually needed to pay the convention expenses in that city.

The opposition to the acceptance of the contribution took the form of a resolution by Representative Clayton, of Alabama, declining money not actually needed for convention purposes, but after a long debate the resolution was laid on the table by a vote of 31 to 14.

Mr. Clayton, Representative John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, and Governor Hoke Smith, of Georgia, all spoke in favor of the passage of the resolution. Mr. Smith was especially emphatic in saying that the $100,000 which had been offered to secure the Republican convention and refused by the Republican national committee had been offered to and was about to be accepted by the Democratic committee. He said the Republicans had turned down the money because it was regarded in the nature of a bribe and that Democrats, in view of that circumstance, could not afford to accept it.

Mr. Williams spoke in similar vein, as also did Mr. Clayton. Mr. Taggart advocated the acceptance of the $100,000, saying it would be needed now even worse than money was needed in 1904 and that at that time it would have been practically impossible to have opened headquarters for Judge Parker if they had not had the extra money secured from St. Louis, where the convention was held.

A Rough Deal.

"I have had a d—n rough deal from the White House."

This statement was made by Secretary Cortelyou to an old friend. The friend, in repeating it, said: "It almost took me off my feet. It was the talk among all my acquaintance with George Cortelyou that I ever heard him use the word."

Cortelyou's remark was made in connection with a conversation brought on by the mention of the president's statement that he would not take another term, but after the first mention of the secretary's use of profanity his friend would not go into details regarding the secretary's talk.

The Japs Were Slow.

Gen Kuropatkin, who was the star witness Thursday in the Stoessel trial, gave evidence that amounted to a showing that Stoessel was not to blame for the fall of Port Arthur. He made the interesting statement that the Japanese could have taken Port Arthur by assault in the early days of the war. The defenses were then so incomplete that the fortress must have fallen at the first vigorous attack; but the slowness of the Japanese and the resistance made by the army in the field gave the Russians time to improvise defense works which had withstood the Japanese for months.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.—Cattle—There is very little demand for fair to choice steers and heifers at present. Milch cows and springers were steady for good grades and $3 to $5 per head lower for common. A few extra good ones brought $50. Extra dry-fed steers and heifers, 1,400 to 1,500, $4@4 60; extra good heifers that are fat, 500 to 700, $3@3 50; choice fat cows, $3 25@3 50; good cows, $2@2 25; common cows, $2@2 50; canners, $1 50@2; choice heavy bulls, $3@3 25; fair to good bologna bulls, $2 75@3 25; stock bulls, $2 50@2 75; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, $3 50@3 75; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, $3 30@3 75; choice stockers, 500 to 700, $3 50@3; fair stockers, 500 to 700, $2 25@2 75; milkers—large young, fancy, $45@50; common milkers, $18@30.

The veal trade was about the same as last week, but the quality was not so good. Best grades, $7 50@7 75; mediums, $6@7; common and heavy, $5 75@5.

Sheep active and good grades of lambs strong and 25c higher. Sheep and common lambs steady. Best lambs, $6 25; fair to good lambs, $5@5 50; light to common lambs, $3 50@5; fair to good sheep, $4 75@5; culls and common, $2@3 50.

Hogs—Prices had were 10c to 25c lower than last week. Light to good butchers, $4 75@4 90; pigs, $4 75; yorkers $4 75@4 80; roughs, $4@4 25; stags, third off.

East Buffalo—Cattle—Best export steers, $5 50@5 85; best 1,200 to 1,300-lb. shipping steers, $4 90@5 50; best 1,000 to 1,100-lb. steers, $4@4 65; best fat cows, $3 25@3 75; fair to good, $2@3 25; trimmers, $1 50@2; best heifers, $3 90@4 15; medium, $3@3 25; common, $2 40@2 50; best feeders, $3 75@4; best stockers, $2 50@3 25; fair to good bulls, $4@4 25; bologna bulls, $3@3 25; stock bulls, $2@2 25. The sheep market was from $5 to $5 per head lower; strictly choice, $4@4 50; ewes, $3@4 25; medium, $2@3 25; common, $2@2 25.

Hogs—Market 10c lower; heavy, $4 90; yorkers, $4 75@4 80; pigs, $4 50; roughs, $4 25@4 40.

Sheep—Best lambs, $6 25; culls, $5@5 50; yearlings, $4 75@5; wethers, $4 50@4 75; ewes, $4@4 25.

Best calves, $8 75@9; medium to good, $6@8 50; heavy, $4@5 50.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, 98¾c; December opened with a loss of ½c at 98¾c, declined to 98½c and advanced to 99c and closed at 98¾c; May opened at 93¾c and advanced to $1 04 and closed at $1 03¾; No. 1 red, 95¾c; No. 1 white, 95¾c.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 64½c; No. 3 yellow, 65½c; sample, 1 car at 56c, 1 at 57c, 1 at 59c; 4 bu at 65c; No. 2 yellow, 61c bid.

Oats—Cash No. 3, 54½c; sample, 1 car at 49c; May, No. 3 white, 55¾c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, 81½@82c.

Beans—Cash, $2; December, $1 90; January, $1 90 bid.

Cloverseed—Prime spot and December, $9 80; March, $10; sample, 45 bags at $9 25, 15 at $9 50, 5 at $9 75, 5 at $10 alike, 10 sample alike, 15 bags at $8 25, 5 at $8.

Timothy Seed—Prime spot, $2 40 nominal.

Deranged by the death of her 11-year-old son, who was killed on a hunting trip, Mrs. L. E. Trimble took poison and died.

The directors of the Boyne City State bank have decided to change their institution into a national bank. It will be known as The First National Bank of Boyne City.

Frances Titus Newton, the young woman whose baby, Dorothy, was thrown in the river at Grand Rapids by its father, who later committed suicide, was released by the police and has gone to the home of her parents in Cloverdale.

For years Col. Hiram F. Hale, Battle Creek, and A. R. Timbey, New York, have supposed each other to be dead. Now having learned the difference, Col. Hale has gone to the home of his counsellor-friend for a union. Timbey is famous as the man who invented the revolving turret for battleships, the first one of which was used on the Monitor. Col. Hale is one of the city's most honored men of wealth.

The Cummer-Diggins Co., of Cadillac, whose plant burned Thursday night, have announced that they will commence operations to rebuild immediately.

THE TREASURER TO BE REMOVED

GLAZIER REFUSES GOVERNOR'S REQUEST TO RESIGN OFFICE.

HE IS NEAR TO DEATH NOW

Governor Makes a Plain Statement of the Case and His Intentions in the Matter.

State Treasurer Frank P. Glazier, broken in health because of the financial crash which wrecked his bank and seriously involved his stove company, lies at the point of death and Dr. J. T. Woods, the attending physician, holds out but little hope of recovery.

The family has been prepared for the worst, and its members are constantly by the bedside.

Dr. Woods on Tuesday declared that the physical condition of Mr. Glazier has not been exaggerated. He added that such a "statement" was never made by me. Mr. Glazier's condition has not been exaggerated in the slightest degree. It could not be exaggerated, unless it was said that he was dead."

"Mr. Glazier passed a poor night, but his heart action is better this morning," added the state treasurer's attending physician this morning. "It will be some days before the crisis is reached."

Mr. Glazier's determination not to resign has not been changed since the governor's interview with him.

Atty.-Gen. Bird will be ready with the papers in the removal proceedings against State Treasurer Glazier this week. The charges will then be signed by Gov. Warner and a date for the hearing set. Until the charges have been submitted to the governor there will not be given out for publication, but it is understood that the attorney-general's department does not propose to have the papers fail for lack of attention.

W. J. Hagerman, receiver for the Stockbridge Commercial bank, which closed as a result of the failure of Frank P. Glazier, who was a partner, will be able to make a report to the circuit court this week. It is said the bank does not have a piece of poor paper except that which Glazier placed in it, but as Glazier's loans and those of his family are about one-fourth of the deposits of the bank, the assets are expected to shrink considerably.

Suit for $3,359.04, alleged to be due for installing a heating and power plant at a cost of $29,489.54, has been started against the Glazier Stove Co., of Chelsea, by the Evans-Almond Co., of New York. The suit, it is believed, may be the basis of a request for a receiver.

Directors of the Glazier Stove Co. held a meeting last week, but declined to tell what action was taken. Glazier is still confined to his house and, under orders from his physician, talks as little of business as possible.

W. W. Wedemeyer, receiver for the Chelsea Savings bank, has filed his bonds in the United States Court. He takes $100,000 out in the Bankers' Surety Co., of Cleveland, $200,000 in the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co., of Baltimore, and $200,000 in the Title Guaranty Co., of Scranton, Pa.

Wreck of the Lawson.

During a fierce gale Thursday night the American two-mast schooner, Thomas W. Lawson, was wrecked in the Broad Sound, Scilly Islands, only the captain and two sailors being rescued. The big schooner it seems turned turtle and the storm was too fierce for the life saving crews to render assistance. She had encountered prolonged bad weather and lost all boats on the trip out from Philadelphia.

MICHIGAN ITEMS.

Fourteen inches of snow fell at Gladwin Monday.

Traverse City's last smallpox patient has been liberated. There were 12 cases.

George Hensman, aged 26, of Glenwood, was killed by a sewer cave-in at Dowagiac.

Mrs. Charles Thoedy, wife of a Port Huron grocery dealer, has been missing for three weeks.

James Taylor, a farmer living in Green township, while pruning trees, fell in such a way as to sever one of his ears with the pruning knife.

Despondent, O. R. Olen, 58, of Ishpeming, committed suicide by hanging himself from a steam pipe in the engine room, where he was employed.

Menominee county and city officials are against the proposition now before the constitutional convention of inserting a prohibition clause in the convention and claim that this city will suffer from the effects of such a measure as long as the liquor trade of Wisconsin is prohibited. Marinette, Wis., on the other side of the Menominee river, separated by a bridge, would reap a harvest from such a law which would be a dead letter as far as Menominee is concerned.

Mrs. Fred. Lounsbury, of South Haven, is under quarantine for smallpox. She contracted the disease at Paraboo, Wis., where she visited, but arrived home Saturday evening. The nature of her illness was discovered Monday and prompt action taken by the health authorities will likely prevent a spread of the disease.

The mystery in the disappearance of Gustave Brown, a well known Pentwater business man, was cleared up when his body was found frozen in a cake of ice near Pentwater. He was 35 years old and unmarried. He had a sum of money with him when he vanished.

James Russell Lowell on Reading.

Have you ever rightly considered what the mere ability to read means? That it is the key that admits us to the whole world of thought and fancy and imagination; to the company of sage and saint, of the wisest and the wittiest at their wisest and wittiest moment? That it enables us to see with the keenest eyes, hear with the finest ears, and listen to the sweetest voices of all time?—James Russell Lowell.