

Scientists have found microbes in snowballs. Hoff found using in the future.

A Chicago judge is about to make it almost impossible to secure a jury in that city by barring lawyers from service.

St. Louis man throws away gold to save his life. Many shorten their earthly existence by profligate spending.

GOVERNOR SENDS MESSAGE IN WHICH HE DEMANDS TWO-CENT FARES.

A SQUARE DEAL FOR ALL

Lower Fares Mean More Business and More Earnings—Cites the P. M. Opposition

Gov. Warner sent a special message to the legislature Tuesday urging immediate action on the new fare bill, and again insisting that all roads earning more than \$1,000 a mile should charge no more than two cents a mile. He insists that other states' experiences and previous fare reductions in this state showed that this would not injure railroad business.

From the State Capital

Information and Gossip Furnished by Special Correspondent at Lansing.

Warner Will Not Support Bill.

Gov. Warner will not support the proposed law which would change the present shape and the railroad committee will allow it to rest until the two-cent fare bill is disposed of. There is no doubt that the committee will have the rate question out of the hands of the legislature. The very large clause in the bill which amends section 53 of the compiled laws of 1917, gives the proposed committee power "to regulate the time and manner in which passengers and property shall be transported and the tolls and compensation to be paid therefor." It is doubtful whether under the constitution the committee has the power to fix rates, and if this were done it would keep the railroad operation out of the hands of the courts and tie up the law proposition for several years. "It strikes me," said the governor, "that the committee can regulate rates from a two-cent standpoint as well as from three cents. I shall oppose any such tactics and believe that it is the duty of the legislature to pass the two-cent fare bill without any unnecessary delay."

Death Rate is Large.

The total number of deaths reported to the department of state for February was 2,521, compared with an annual death rate of 17.3 per 1,000 estimated population. This number exceeds that for the month of January, 1919, and is the highest since the number returned for February, 1906, by 775. This number is, in fact, the greatest number of deaths returned since February, 1913, since the registration law went into effect, with the exception of February, 1899, in which 3,777 deaths were returned. The considerable increase shown in the number of deaths returned from tuberculosis, typhoid fever, scarlet fever, measles, whooping cough, pneumonia, influenza and influenza pneumonia, the greatest increase being in deaths from tuberculosis, pneumonia and influenza, which are distinctly winter diseases and influenza which returns in waves. The number of deaths returned for the month of February, corresponding to an annual birth rate of 17.9 per 1,000 estimated population. This is a slight decrease from the month of January, 2,527 being returned for that month.

Wanted State Fire Warden.

Representatives of 23 Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance companies were in attendance on the meeting of the state board of fire wardens. The members seem to favor the creation of a new class of state fire wardens, whose duty will be to examine into the cause of fires, and to make complaints against any one who may be responsible for causing such fires. Ohio has a similar law.

Is After Earle's Scalp.

Representative Colby is drafting a bill which is intended to get under the skin of State Highway Commissioner Earle. He wants to abolish the office and provide a commission of three, who will serve without salary. The bill will provide for the employment of a road engineer, and will also limit the number of miles of road that can be built under the state bounty system.

Old Soldiers Must be Qualified.

Senator Moriarty had the house bill giving preference to union soldiers in the purchase of public lands, and positions sent back to committee for revision. He made the point that if soldiers had to be given positions in the purchase of public lands, it is only fair that officials to whom they are responsible, should be exempted from responsibility for any acts of soldiers so employed.

Blind Men's Fight.

John Bell, aged 78, one of the oldest blind men in northern Michigan, is dead at his home in Caro, Mich.

Water Fillet, ex-Lake City, has been appointed supervisor of the Calumet & Hecla mine.

Mr. Warner received his commission as postmaster of Adrian and takes possession April 1.

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The annual statement of Omers shows a balance on hand of \$1,572,511 in the treasury.

With a very short crop of corn, the dried grass has sold at \$1 per ton, the dried grass has sold at \$1 per ton, the dried grass has sold at \$1 per ton.

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War. Soule has been arrested in Ann Arbor on a charge of bigamy. Soule is married to a woman named Mrs. W. Soule, and wife No. 2 shows a wedding certificate, and claims she was never divorced.

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Joseph Anthony, an inmate of the Kalamazoo county poor farm, has run away. He objected to too much water being poured on his bed, and ran away. Half a dozen people were necessary to give Anthony a bath.

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The removal of the freight division from the Michigan Central, from New Buffalo to Benton Harbor, means the removal of a large number of families from the city of Benton Harbor. This move has already been felt.

No lands will be sold for delinquent taxes until the 1st of April. An account of an error which was discovered just as the list was about to be published, will be published on the dates of publishing and day of sale.

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A special election to vote on raising money for a new Ionia poor house, to replace the one which is now probably being held. The supervisors have met and considered plans, it is expected to hold the next one nearer the city.

John Harrison, of Battle Creek, was killed by two men, who tried to rob him. The men were shot and killed. Harrison is now wondering how the thieves got the best of the bargain.

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Sheriff Johnson is investigating the case of the man who was killed at Interlochen. It is claimed that Charles Cook shot up a saloon there, and was killed. The man who was killed and incidentally putting a name on a man named Garrison.

Trouble Lake citizens are anxious for the removal of the dam. The dam is a nuisance, and is a danger to the lives of the citizens. The dam is a nuisance, and is a danger to the lives of the citizens.

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Contrary to the general opinion, Hassan, the Moroccan, is a well-educated gentleman, tracing his ancestry through Mulal Dir, who founded the empire of Morocco, to the prophet. He is said to be tall and handsome, with an unusually white skin and with features rather Grecian than Semitic—altogether a fascinating person, with knowledge of languages and gift as a storyteller and his consciousness of exalted birth.

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It is 60 years this year since the United States began to issue postage stamps. The first regular issue consisted of five-cent stamps bearing the portrait of Franklin and ten-cent stamps having a likeness of Washington. Both Washington and Franklin have appeared on every issue since. Franklin's head is on the one-cent stamp to-day and Washington's on the two-cent, thus preserving the order of relative values with which they began.

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A scientist has discovered an ant spot which he describes as the biggest and most beautiful of record, extending an eighth of the way across the junimary, and its approximate size being that of a 5,000 mile wide area. The entire area being 3,500,000 square miles. That certainly indicates a remarkable disturbance in the center of our solar system. The scientist predicts some striking electrical phenomena as a result of the agitation in the sun's midst.

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The only known survivor of the battle of Shiloh, which took place Oct. 20, 1862, is still living. He is now 92 years of age, and is still in good health. He is now 92 years of age, and is still in good health.

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Dr. Hans Richter, the famous musical conductor, is a thorough believer in comfort in dress, and not infrequently sets fashion at defiance. One brooding evening in Paris he led the orchestra wearing the regulation dress coat and a pair of cricketer trousers, and dreaming that he would have come into full view of the audience.

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Henry James insists that American women are poor talkers. The fact that Henry is not of the ladies only when he was on the platform and they had paid for the privilege of listening.

It should be carefully explained that although the army is going to build the canal, neither regular nor volunteers of the service will be put on the job.

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King Leopold of Belgium is reckoned as the richest man in Europe, so far as real estate is concerned.

The United States produces 10,912,922 pounds of the 16,901,487 pounds of tobacco that is produced in the world, according to a report made by Consul General Skinner.

A big seed of antracite coal has been discovered in Russia, and if things are properly organized over there it should mean graft to burn.

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