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Broken Rails.

Among all the causes of railroad accidents in the United States, none is mentioned with greater frequency than the broken rail. Many causes are assigned, and doubtless many are contributory. An excess of phosphorus, not easily eliminated by the Bessemer process, by which nearly all American rails are made, has been most commonly blamed; but some of the best mechanical engineers now regard this cause as unimportant, improper shape and a lack of pressure in rolling modern heavy rails proportionate to that which was available for the lighter rails of the past are more important faults. An excess of carbon is another. The fault of shape is the thinness of the web or shank of the rail, and the thinness of the base. The disproportion between these parts and the head of the rail tends to a lack of uniformity in texture after cooling. The excess of carbon is not the fault of the rail-makers, but of the railroads. The more carbon, the harder the rail, of course; and the harder it is, the better it will resist frictional wear. The desire of the railroads to minimize the cost of trackage repairs has led to demands for steel of a higher and higher per cent. of carbon, until now American rails are the hardest in the world. Most important of all, says Youth's Companion, is the strain imposed upon rails by the great weight and high speed of modern trains. Mechanical engineers believe that with the present style of rail the limit of safety is reached at an axle load of 45,000 pounds; yet many trains considerably exceed that figure. The American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Ways association and the American Society for Testing Materials have adopted specifications for a standard rail heavier in the web and the base than those now in use; and these specifications have been approved by the American Society of Civil Engineers. Meanwhile the head of one of the greatest railway systems in America has withdrawn his contract from a company whose product has been unsatisfactory to him, and given it to a concern from which he hopes to get better results.

Long before many American universities established summer schools, chautauqua stood for the thrifty use of vacation days in pleasant and profitable study. Like every other movement out of the common methods and largely patronized by women, the chautauqua work was derided by conservative persons. It was the butt of jokes such as are now directed against "correspondence" schools. It was called the "intellectual tea-party," the "playground of culture." But it slowly won respect, enlisted the services of good teachers and gave its brief periods of enlightenment to thousands of teachers too busy in winter to think of much outside of classroom routine. President Roosevelt, who knows the country pretty broadly, calls chautauquas "the most American thing in America." This summer there have been between 300 and 400 assemblies embodying the chautauqua idea, besides the summer schools and educational conventions, which represent the same American principle of diffusing culture and instruction to the greatest possible number of persons.

One of the drawbacks to the use of long-distance electricity has been the liability to breakdowns, caused by accidents, including those due to lightning, which result in shutting off power and often in unpleasant and costly interruption of traffic. Many localities depending on power transmitted over long lines of wire have had such experiences. Syracuse uses for its transit system electricity generated at Niagara Falls, and has had some very annoying occurrences of the sort, and as a consequence the traction company adopted the policy of keeping its local power houses in readiness for use. Now it is announced that the line from Niagara Falls has been duplicated, and that henceforth it will be practically impossible for the current to be shut off completely. It is asserted most positively that neither thunderstorms nor any other influence can put both lines out of commission at once. At any rate the precaution seems to be a wise one. Electric power that is likely to give out when most needed does not command the confidence of the community it serves.

A woman in a Connecticut town attempted to turn on a switch controlling electric lights by using an iron poker. She was found in an unconscious heap on the other side of the room when the electric excitement over the poker interlude was over, but, being made of stern New England stuff, she recovered from the shock. In spite of its advanced civilization there are yet in this twentieth century people who know no better than to monkey with the buzzsaw.

Canada, which has never before used nickel in its coins, is preparing to issue a nickel piece worth about two cents. Maine, which has just discovered some territory rich in nickel, is much pleased with its neighbor's course.

New Zealand has made women eligible as members of its upper legislative house, and the world will wait with interest to see what new reforms they will propose in that land of innovation.

LATEST NEWS OF MICHIGAN

MICHIGAN BRIEFS.

Work begins on Owosso's new postoffice this week.

Survivors of Co. M, First Michigan cavalry, a portion of Custer's brigade, held the 24th annual reunion in Traverse City.

Samuel and Hugh Schafer, aged 2 and 4 years, of Ontonagon, died of banana poisoning, and two others were made ill.

A section of the old state road near Davison has dropped, and though plumbed to a depth of 60 feet no bottom was reached.

In a ball game between local business men, Fred. Luckle collided with another player and several bones in his face were broken.

Cholera has attacked Calhoun county hogs, and farmers have united to employ an expert from the M. A. C. to stamp out the disease.

William Shutts, 65, who was known in Niles as the man who lived his entire life on one farm, is dead in Ontwoko township. He was well-to-do.

Horace Warren, 75, a retired farmer and resident of Three Oaks township for over half a century, is dead. A widow and five daughters survive.

Lawton T. Hemans, of Mason, was nominated for the constitutional convention by the Democratic committee of the Sixth congressional district.

Traces of oil have been discovered in a well sunk 1,300 feet in Ida township by the Strasburg Oil & Gas Co., organized by farmers of the vicinity.

Jay B. Eastman, aged 41, after escaping from the Ionia asylum, went to sleep under a railroad car at Durand and was killed when the train moved.

A reward of $260 has been offered by Fr. Bienowski, of the Isadore Sesich and Lottie Lubanski school, for evidence of either Sister Mary or her dead body.

John Kincaid, a Quaker preacher, who brought his wife and two children from Columbus to Jackson a week ago, has disappeared, leaving them penniless.

William L. Brown, 76 years old, who for many years had driven a stage on different routes about Hastings, was dead as the result of a stroke of paralysis.

A horse owned by Charles Simpson, a farmer living near Port Huron, died while in a field, and remained in a standing position until removed by Simpson.

Walter Mey, a Saginaw boy who disappeared from his home 18 days ago, was located in Toledo. He says a tramp lured him away and compelled him to beg.

Caught in the act of burglarizing a house in Niles, Harry Thompson, a negro, claiming to come from Detroit, is in jail. Three houses were burglarized Friday night.

Sheriff Watson has ordered the removal of all slot machines in Mason county. Frank Polcin, a Ludington saloonist, who was slow in obeying, was arrested.

The Variety fruit farm, a large summer resort north of South Haven, was partially destroyed Thursday morning by a fire caused by lightning. Loss about $6,000.

Dr. Michael Beshear, the last survivor of the class of 1854, University of Michigan, is dead in Trinidad, Col. He founded the two well known newspapers in that state.

Gov. Warner and Rep. Samuel W. Smith will be the speakers at the combined homecoming festival and annual soldiers' and sailors' reunion in Mason September 21.

Carpenters are putting up the frame work for the roof of the new Grand Trunk depot in Pontiac and it will no be many weeks before the building will be ready for occupancy.

Alarmed at the absence of his wife when he came home from his work a noon, Henry Van Wormer, a teamster of Durand, went to the barn and found her dead in an oat bin. She had tied twine to a spike in the bin and wrapped the other end about her throat. Mrs. Van Wormer had been in ill health for some time. One daughter, Mrs. Kate Fuller, survives.

A broken brake rod, as is supposed, opened a switch on the Pere Marquette road at Okemos, and 18 cars of a west bound freight train were piled in a heap. The line was blocked for all day, and trains were detoured via Trowbridge and the Grand Trunk to Durand, thence down the Ann Arbor road to Howell Junction, and there back on the Pere Marquette.

Apples are one crop which has done well in upper Michigan this season. The yield of this fruit is unusually heavy. The biggest orchard in the peninsula is that planted some years ago by Louis Van Winkle, logger, farmer and stock raiser, in the vicinity of Garden, Delta county, and with the other extensive Van Winkle holdings was sold last year to a lumber company. The trees in this great orchard are fairly loaded down this fall with apples of an excellent quality and are selling at $3 a barrel in the orchard.

The "old boys and girls" had a great time Saturday at the home-coming over 100 persons sat down to the banquet. Among the home-coming were Mrs. Ella (Decker) Woodman, of Lansing, and son, Hoyt and wife, and also her son, Fred., of Port Huron; Mr and Mrs. Frank Woodman, of Ypsilanti; Mrs. Rinda Taylor Miller, of Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Wilder, of Pontiac; Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Sibley, of Pontiac; Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Hoyt, of Detroit; Hiram Hoyt, of Muskegon; Dr. Gertrude Banks, of Detroit; Oscar Kelsey, of Detroit.

Capt. A. H. Gansser, of the third regiment, M. N. G., scratched his thumb on a barb wire fence at Camp McGurrin during the maneuvers and blood poisoning has developed. He may lose his hand.

Capt. Jos. Vongtlin, one of Rockland's oldest pioneers, and one of the best known men of Ontonagon county, was gored and torn to death by an angry bull. Will Vongtlin, his son, was attracted by the barking of his father's dog, and upon investigation found the bull standing over the prostrate form of his father. The young man was obliged to shoot the animal several times in order to drive him away.

Notwithstanding the glowing reports sent out by the Grand Rapids dealers that the bean crop is as large as ever, buyers and shippers at Eaton county, the banner bean county of the state, will not show as good a yield as a year ago, and as a result the price will continue to be firm and strong in all sections. The annual output of beans in Eaton county is estimated at 700,000 bushels, or 15 per cent of the yield in Michigan, and with a short crop in this locality the market is certain to be affected.

The state fair association will clean up about $20,000 profit on this year's fair.

THE SEARCH FOR SISTER MARY DELAYED BY STORM, IS ABANDONED.

POSTOFFICE LOOT FOUND

Brakeman Killed on the Way to Visit His Sweetheart—Ran Away, Fearing Murder.

To Remain a Mystery.

Sheriff William Kettle, with a bloodhound and a number of expert woodsmen, were at Isadore Sunday to take up the search for Sister Mary, who disappeared from the convent there, but because of the heavy rain it was given up. During the day the new parochial school was blessed by Bishop Richter, of Grand Rapids. The program for the blessing was arranged by Sister Mary and one of the theories of her disappearance is that her mind was deranged by the work of preparing the program. It is unlikely that any further search will be made for her.

Found Some Plunder.

Word was received from a farmer seven miles from Tekonsha that part of the plunder stolen from the postoffice when the safe was blown up last week had been found on his farm. Postmaster Justin A. Harsh and Deputy Sheriff Failing dug up booty, which was no use to the robbers. The loot was partly covered by rotting boards. The tracks of the men were traced to a dense thicket and then in the direction of Coldwater.

His Last Ride.

On his way to Cassopolis to visit Miss Daisy Shaw, his sweetheart, Edward H. Scott, aged 23, a Grand Trunk brakeman, of Laryille, Ind., fell from a freight train and was mangled under the wheels. His body was found on the tracks Sunday morning. Scott had been in the habit of making weekly trips to see Miss Shaw and usually rode on freight trains to make time.

Fled Too Soon.

Believing that he murdered a man, George Wallace, of Nashville, Tenn., has fled from Battle Creek. Wallace lost his money and jewelry in a card game at the Afro-American club and demanded a refund. It was refused and Wallace then pulled a revolver and fired twice at Charles Wyman, the manager. The bullets only grazed Wyman, but without waiting Wallace ran to his home, told his wife he had killed a man and left the city.

Did Not Know of Murder.

Mrs. Frederick H. Fish, who was murdered in Chicago as is supposed by her husband, a retired broker, who then cut his throat, is a former South Haven girl. Her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Christopher Fisher, reside in that city. Mrs. Perren left for Chicago with the two Fish children who have been visiting her and know nothing of the double crime. The news is critically ill, and it is feared that if he is informed of the tragedy the shock will kill him.

Fish and his wife were heard in a violent altercation late Friday night and it is believed that Fish arose early Saturday morning and after discharging a shotgun into his wife's head for a period of her horrible fashion with a butcher's cleaver. Fish had been in poor health and subject to attacks of despondency since the death of his father.

High Hay.

The prices for hay in the upper peninsula are the highest ever paid at this time of the year. Good hay sells at $18 a ton and is scarce at that. It is predicted that before the winter is over hay will sell for $26 and more. This condition will seriously handicap the work of the loggers in the timber regions of the northwest.

The State Fair.

The State fair held in Detroit closed on Friday. The fair management estimates that $20,000 was lost through bad weather Thursday and Friday, reducing the total profit somewhat. However, between $15,000 and $20,000 has been salted away by the association. Concessionaires all made money and many of them have already applied for space for next year. One man wrote asking for space for the next ten years. The fair was in all respects the best ever held in the state and the work to make next year's show still better has already begun.

The Parke Case.

Letters written by a Kalamazoo man to Miss Inez Parke, of Ithaca, who died in Detroit from an operation, have been obtained by Detective Shepherd, who was sent from Detroit to investigate. The letters contain offers to pay the girl's medical expenses if she would submit to the operation. In Ithaca it was generally supposed that Miss Parke and a certain man were secretly married, but intimate friends of the girl say that the man later jilted her.

While little 6-year-old Lucille Palent, of Menominee, sat playing on the kitchen floor her mother dropped a kettle of boiling water and fatally scalded the child.

Carl Weaver partook of free turtle soup offered by a Marshall saloonkeeper, and it cost him $75 at the U. of M. hospital at Ann Arbor to have a bone which lodged in his throat removed by a specialist.

One of the hardest storms of the season broke over Holland at midnight Wednesday. Hail stones as large as olives fell with terrific violence, followed by cloudbursts. Considerable damage was done to crops.

One of the heaviest hail storms known in that section passed over Rockwood Thursday morning, doing considerable damage to fruit. At no place was over half a mile covered.

Battle Creek clean forgot her annual school election this year. The retiring candidate, Fred. Wells and L. A. Dudley, ran for re-election, but anyone knew it. As near as can be found the election was never commented on in the public press in advance and when the votes were cast, 197 were counted. The board of education remains as it has been for years.

As near as can be estimated about 500 dogs are still running at large in Battle Creek without a license, and the officers are making vigorous search for the owners. A man with nine dogs on Fairview avenue was reported Saturday.

THE STATE IN GENERAL

THE WARD-PRESLEY CASE CAME UP FOR HEARING AND WAS POSTPONED.

CHIEF COUNSEL ABSENT.

The Case Assigned for October and With it the Dr. Fritch Case. Also Went Over.

A Month's Delay.

When the cases of Rep. Charles E. Ward, charged with complicity in the death of Edith Presley, the senate proofreader, and Dr. George A. Fritch, charged with manslaughter in connection with the same tragedy, came up for examination in the Detroit police court Friday morning, both were adjourned for one month.

The case of Ward was adjourned to October 4 at the request of his counsel, because Senator Tuttle, his chief attorney, is in Manchester, Eng.

Prosecutor Robison suggested putting the Fritch case over, Attorney Frank T. Lodge protested. He wanted his client examined immediately.

"I prefer to try Ward first," said the prosecuting attorney. "Ward is the chief conspirator in this case and if his case fails I will myself move to nolle prosequi Dr. Fritch's case."

"I do not know what are Mr. Robison's reasons for desiring to try Ward first," said Justice Jeffries, "but if it is going to aid public justice I will follow his suggestions and let the Fritch case go over."

Prosecutor Robison was of the opinion that a speedy disposition should then be made and no further delays granted.

The case against Dr. Fritch was then called and it was now the prosecutor who asked for further time.

"I want the examination of Mr. Ward to come before that of the doctor," the prosecutor gave as reason.

Attorney Lodge objected strenuously.

"The doctor is suffering from the onus of this criminal charge and wants it determined. We have been ready for months. All delays have come from the prosecution," he said.

Mr. Robison pointed out to the court that both charges grew out of the same alleged offense.

"I'll say this," he continued, "that I want Mr. Ward's examination first and if his case falls through I shall drop the charge against the doctor."

Mr. Lodge again pleaded against the adjournment. He told the court that there was no case against his client as was plainly shown at the inquest.

The court, however, followed the request of the prosecutor and granted the desired postponement.

The Dime Novel Kind.

Through a "tip" given by his mother, the Allegan police arrested a man and obtained a confession from Vern Armstrong, aged 13, connecting him and three other youths with various burglaries in Allegan and the attempt to rob the First National bank. The other prisoners are Henry Albert, aged 16; Charles Moore, aged 20, and Glen Austin, aged 14. Armstrong's mother told the police that he had two revolvers at their home. He was taken into custody and then gave information which led to the arrest of the other boys. A large amount of booty, including cigars, revolvers, watches and other articles were found concealed in their homes. All of the boys are members of respectable families, but are believed to have fallen victims to the dime novel habit.

Townsend Would Like It.

Interviewed by a Courier-Herald reporter in Saginaw, Congressman Charles E. Townsend, of Jackson, in response to the question whether he is a candidate for the United States senate said:

"I do not hesitate to say that I would like to be senator if the people want me."

In response to another question he said:

"I do not know whether or not Senator Burrows intends to be a candidate to succeed himself."

Child Burned to Death.

Running toward his grandmother with his clothes afire from head to foot, Robert Cone, aged 3, son of John B. Cone, a prominent farmer of Fireplains, died shortly after she put out the flames. The child had secured some matches and started a fire. A gust of wind blew the flames against his clothes and instantly he was enveloped. As he was running towards his grandparents' home the flames were fanned by the breeze and literally made a living torch of the boy.

Crushed to Pulp.

Section Foreman Tim Lynch, of Grand Haven, in charge of the yard gang for the G. R. & I., fell beneath the rollers of the turntable this noon and was crushed to death. Lynch's foot was caught, but he had a hold with his hands and tried to draw himself out of danger. The big table turned by steam, rolled slowly on, drawing him in and breaking his hold on safety irons and crushed to a pulp. He had been thirty years with the road. He leaves a family.

Paul P. Bird, a former Kalamazoo man, has been appointed chief smoke inspector of Chicago, with a salary of $4,000 a year.

Eighteen years ago Joseph Parlteau, a Frenchman, deserted his wife in Kalkaska. He was captured and brought back to Michigan to serve a term in Marquette prison. After his release he went west and amassed a snug fortune and owns a large ranch in Montana. Now he has come back and rescued the wife he deserted so long ago from the Wexford county poor house. She had not heard from him in 15 years.

Committed Suicide.

Frank P. Van Horn, late superintendent of carriers in the Jackson postoffice, but who was under arrest on a charge of stealing from the mails and at liberty on $1,000 bail to appear before the federal grand jury at Detroit, September 16, committed suicide by hanging himself in the barn at his residence Wednesday morning. He had been melancholy several days, realizing that imprisonment was staring him in the face, having admitted his crime to the postoffice inspector who arrested him.

BENJAMIN.

The Benton Harbor Flying Roller Has Disappeared.

Under a combined attack from several quarters, the Benton Harbor colony of Flying Rollers, headed by Benjamin Purnell, appears destined to be driven from Michigan. Purnell is now missing, so far as can be learned, and it is believed that he has fled to escape prosecution.

The investigation of the colony was started by Wm. Cleveland, a British subject who was formerly a member, but is now living in Windsor, Ont. Cleveland made charges against Purnell to Assistant Attorney General Chase, who has notified the members of the colony that they are existing as such illegally and must amend their articles of incorporation or abandon the colony.

At the same time the attention of Thomas Erskine, Chicago consul of Great Britain, has been turned to the colony by complaints of British subjects, who say Benjamin has not return the effects which they turned over when they joined the colony.

The Twin City Ministerial association has joined the local ministers in the colony, and for two months, under the direction of Rev. E. A. Hoffman, the president, has been gathering evidence against Benjamin Purnell. Rev. Hoffman says the association now has enough facts to prosecute Benjamin on a felony charge. Several young women of the colony are connected with the charges.

After Many Years, a Murder.

Wexford county's record of having not had one murder in nearly thirty years is broken. C. E. Carrington, of Yuma, who was stabbed by H. O. Miner, or by himself accidentally, died Wednesday night. The men are cousins and had a fight over the payment of a debt due Miner from Cartright. It was found that the knife supposed to have been in the hands of Miner had penetrated Cartright's lung to a considerable depth. Cartright died been unconscious most of the time since he was injured. Cartright refused to make any statement to the officers. Miner declares that while the men were terribly incensed against each other, that the stabbing was wholly accidental and was caused by Cartright falling over on the knife in Miner's hands. Miner had been whittling. In the fracas Miner was thrown to the ground on his back and Cartright was on top when the stabbing took place.

A young boy in the village of Yuma has told an official that he saw the fight, that Miner was uppermost and in the struggle reached up and stabbed Cartright. Justice Benbow, of Yuma, has added weight to this story. He asserts that Miner came to him soon after the stabbing and said Cartright had choked him and that he, Miner, was too old a man to be choked, so he raised his knife against Cartright, intending to pick him enough to make Cartright let him up.

Four Were Drowned.

Following the explosion of gasoline in a launch on the Kalamazoo river Tuesday evening Blanche Potaski, aged 20, and Anna Farmer, aged 16, jumped overboard in a panic and were followed by Frank Potaski, aged 19, and Roman Kent, aged 20, who in an attempt to save them were also drowned.

The party was composed of the four victims and Gertie Sataza, Edwin Cooper, Irene Behn, Grace Parker and George Staves, all children of parents in comfortable circumstances. Just before starting from the Genesee bridge Hale Cooper, owner of the 20-foot launch, filled the gasoline tank. In the darkness some of the oil overflowed and ran to the center of the boat. About a mile from the bridge the gasoline caught fire in some unknown manner.

Fell to Her Death.

Imprisoned in a balloon cannon which failed to discharge in midair and release her with a parachute, Mrs. Pearl Potter, of Big Rapids, fell 500 feet at the Howard City fair grounds and was dead when taken out. The cannon struck the earth near the fair grounds. The body was badly bruised, but there were no serious injuries and it is thought the woman died of fright before the cannon reached the earth.

Attacked by a Bull.

Mrs. William Kirowski, 55 years old, and Mat Kitik, 15, of Woodlawn, were probably fatally injured by the attack of a mad bull. Mrs. Kirpwiki was walking along the road when she was attacked by the animal and threw to the ground. Kitik ran to her assistance from a nearby field and the enraged animal turned on him. Farmers with pitchforks rescued the two.

AROUND THE STATE.

Delos Fall, of Albion, is the third Republican candidate for delegate to the constitutional convention.

J. A. Schirmer, 76 years old, promnent business man and president of Saginaw, died Wednesday of cancer. His father, Dr. Gottlieb Schirmer, was, for fifty years, physician to Emperor Wilhelm, of Germany, grandfather of the present emperor.

While coming to Port Huron on a train, John Shepherd, Jr., aged 31, and Mrs. Angie Kester, aged 40, both of Memphis, made the acquaintance of each other and discovered that they were "affinities." They were married by Police Justice Black and returned to Memphis to announce the ceremony.

Sherman Baldwin, of Jackson, and Patrick Murphy, of Detroit, were bound over to the circuit court for attempting to pass to Jack Blanchard, a prisoner in the Ann Arbor jail, some diluted alcohol through a straw conduit.

William H. Jones, aged 70 years, the oldest Michigan Central engineer, died Thursday morning after a week's illness of pneumonia.

Despondent because her husband was called west on business, Mrs. Clifford Vratt, of South Haven, shot her self in the breast, and a close watch is kept to prevent her from carrying out a threat to make another attempt to end her life.

Another of the anti-house of David meetings was held in Benton Harbor Sunday night. Three former members of Benjamin's Flying Roll colony made speeches, but brought no new startling information regarding the long-haired leader and his followers. Petitions were signed praying that Attorney General Bird refuse to grant the colony a new charter or amended bylaws until the protests of the people of that city be heard at a public meeting.

In a Polish saloon quarrel, Alexander Ryskincz, of Saginaw, was fatally shot, and Anthony Kaugh is held for the shooting. Both are miners.

FRISCO OUTDONE BY CANADIANS

OUTBREAK IN VANCOUVER BY WHICH JAPS AND CHINKS SUFFER.

MORE RIOTING EXPECTED

Raid on the Japanese and Chinese Quarters Was Fierce and Two Thousand Driven Out.

Who Will Japan Fight?

Following a riot Saturday night in Vancouver, in which Chinatown and the Japanese quarters were raided and damage done approximating $15,000, a further demonstration occurred later, in which Kishi Yino ishii, chief of the consulate of foreign commerce and head of the Japanese consular service, and Consul Sabiro Hisamidzu, of Seattle, were the central figures, and in which not a number of people were bruised and injured by broken bottles and flying brickbats in the hands of a frenzied mob.

Baron Ishii and Consul Hisamidzu finally made their escape through the mob, and the affair was immediately cabled to Tokio and to Ambassador Kaneko in London.

Coincident with the riot was the arrival of a steamship having on board at least 500 Japanese. With a common impulse the mob surged to the water front and as soon as the Japanese came down the gang plank they were met by the rioters. Seven or eight of the Japanese were picked up and thrown into the buzzard's bay.

Still further rioting occurred when a crowd of about 4,000 laborers started on the warpath, but were finally quelled by the police after about 20 arrests had been made. Saturday night Chinatown was roped off and the quarters of the orientals guarded by the police.

Baron Ishii said that indemnity from the city to the amount of $25,000 will be claimed.

Mayor Bethune declares the indemnity will not be paid and the affair will be taken up with the Dominion government.

Saturday night's rioting was the worst in the history of western Canada. International complications are looked for. Two thousand Chinese were driven from their homes and Lieut.-Gov. Dunsmuir, of British Columbia, was burned in effigy by 10,000 laboring men.

"The damage done to the Japanese stores is as follows: General stores, 13; butchers, 2; confectionery and shops, 7; bath houses, 2; barber shops, 5; shoemakers, 2; banking office, 1; newspaper office, 1; employment offices, 4; restaurants, 2; rice mill, 1; hatter's shop, 1; tailors, 2; watchmaker, 1. Of these 50 stores all the windows and door glass were smashed. Two Japanese were wounded."

Consul-General Nosse will lay all the facts before Sir Wilfred Laurier, premier of Canada.

If the long and, in the main, highly serious consideration of the part of the Lon don papers on the Vancouver incident and the news space devoted to it may be taken as criteria, the British public have at last awakened to the importance of the Asiatic question and the fact that it is one of the greatest issues confronting their most important colonies. The papers which sneered at the United States for the San Francisco riots occurred have had an awakening. The Telegraph says:

"The sudden rise of Japan to the position of a first-rate power, fully capable of protecting its citizens, and securing the respect due to its flag, has all at once revealed to the world the gravity of a problem too long neglected."

The Express, like most of the other papers, is rather hesitant in attacking the subject but says that the incident "brings into prominence one of the most important problems which the empire must from this time forward face."

The Chinese and Japanese quarters of Vancouver are practically in a state of siege. Hundreds of revolvers and guns were sold Tuesday to orientals until the police prohibited the sale of firearms. Every Chinese merchant goes about with an armed bodyguard and beside the entrance to every Chinese store stands a Mongolian with a rifle.

All the Chinese cooks, mill men and laborers and all the Japanese working in the city and in the country within a radius of 15 miles from Vancouver have been summoned to the oriental quarter and are filling all the houses in the quarter. Besides the firearms, knives, stones, bottles and bricks are in stock, ready for repelling an attack of a mob at any future occasion.

It is understood that Mayor Bethune has received a telegram from Earl Grey, governor-general of Canada, Ottawa, demanding that law and order be preserved in Vancouver at all costs, and that the lives and property of the Japanese residents be given full protection, as guaranteed under the clauses of the treaty between Canada and Japan.

The chief of police has sworn in 100 special constables. The military will be called out if there are signs of further disturbance.

Hardly a house in the city has a domestic servant today, the 2,000 Chinese employed being concentrated in Chinatown, and clubs and restaurants cannot serve meals.

Of 7,267 school districts in the state, about 20 per cent have made illegal use of money from the teachers' funds by spending it for other purposes, and have been told by state officials that the money must be restored to the fund.

Rev. F. G. Ellett, of Mason, without a charge at present, who was given a few Democratic and two Prohibition votes for candidate to the constitutional convention, wants to run on both tickets, claiming the nomination of both parties. The Democrats wish to have Lawton T. Hemans as their only candidate.

Dr. Charles J. Sorsen, of Calumet, died in London, Eng., a few days ago. He left Calumet August 11 for London. There he met his bride, Jenki Lasse, of Finland, and they were married August 25 at the Hotel Cecil. Dr. Sorsen was 37 years old and was one of the most prominent Finns in the copper country.

Henry Young, of Cadillac, has lost his power of speech through the use of a hay fever remedy which contained cocaine.

If a satisfactory bonus is given a Prussian cutlery firm, employing 400 skilled men, says it will locate in Ann Arbor.

EASY MONEY.

The Belding-Hall Co.'s Affairs Are in Bad Shape.

The discovery by the creditors of the Belding-Hall Manufacturing Co., of Belding and Chicago, that Jesse Hall, president of the company, had appropriated at least $215,000 of the company's funds to his private use, led to the appointment of a receiver.

All of this money, as far as can be learned, was invested in mining, real estate and other ventures which made no money, the combined stock of which the creditors are willing to sell for less than $4,000.

The First National bank, of Chicago, which holds notes of the company aggregating $100,000, will start criminal proceedings, it is said, to bring Hall back from Canada, as the creditors believe that he will not return voluntarily.

It is expected that the amount that Hall borrowed and paid $40,000 loaned to others will be a total loss, as he owned nothing except $80,000 worth of stock in the company.

Frank A. Jones, secretary of the American Trust and Savings bank, of Chicago, has gone to Belding to take charge of the factory in an effort to pay the creditors of the company as large an amount as possible. It is estimated by Jacob Newman, attorney for the receiver, that the company will be able to pay 65 cents on the dollar to creditors after paying expenses of the factory are paid. The liabilities of the company are estimated at $700,000 and the assets at $450,000.

The missing man's two children are living at his home in Winnetka in charge of a housekeeper, and it is said that they have scarcely enough money with which to meet household expenses.

Mrs. Isabella Munro, aged 71, of Jackson, fell down the cellar stairs and was killed.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—Extra, dry fed steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, $4@4 25; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, $4@4 10; general grade of steers and heifers that are fat, 800 to 1,000, $4@4 75; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700, $3 25@3 75; choice cows, $3 75@4; fair to good cows, $2 50@3; common cows, $2 1@2 50; canners, $1 50@2; bulls, $2 25; choice heavy bulls, $3 50; fair to good bologna bulls, $3@3 25; stock bulls, $2 50@3; choice feeding steers, 900 to 1,000, $3 75@4; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, $3 50@3 75; choice stockers, 500 to 700, $3@3 50; fair stockers, 500 to 700, $2 75@3 25; stock heifers, $2; milkers, large, young, medium age, $25@45; common milkers, $25@35.

Veal calves—Market steady at last week; prices, best, $7@7 75; others, $4@6 50. Milch cows and springers, steady.

Sheep and lambs—Market opened steady at last week's prices; close, close lower. Best lambs, $7; fair to good lambs, $6@6 50; culls and common lambs, $5 50@6; yearlings, $5@5 50; fair to good butcher sheep, $4@5; culls and common, $3@3 50.

Hogs—Market 20c lower than last week. Quality of trade very dull. Range of prices: Light to good butchers, $6 30@6 50; pigs, $6@6 25; light yorkers, $6 30@6 50; roughs, $4 50@5 25; stags, 1-3 off.

East Buffalo.—Cattle—Export steers, $6.50@6.75; best medium steers, $5.75@6; best 1,000 to 1,100-lb, $4.60@5; fair butchers' weighing 1,000 to 1,050 lbs, $4.40@4.60; best fat cows, $4.50@5; fair to good, $3@3.25; trimmers, $1.75@2; canners, $1@1.50; best fat bulls, $4@4.25; medium, $3.25@3.50; common stock steers, $2.75@3; best stock heifers, $3.25@3.50; bologna bulls, $3.25@3.50; stock bulls, $2.75@3; extras, $3.25. The cow market was active and 25c higher than last strictly choice, $4@4.57; good, $3.8@4.15; medium, $3.25@3.75; common, $2@3.25.

Hogs—Market lower; choice corn yorkers, $6.60@6.65; mostly 10; good to fair Michigan yorkers, $6.75@6.90; pigs, $6.70@6.80; mostly $6.75; corn-fed mixed, $6.90@7; heavy, $6.75@6.85; roughs, $6.50@6.75; roughs, $5.60.

Sheep—Market steady; top lambs, $7.75@7 85; culls, $5.50@6; yearlings, $5.75@6; culls, $4.50@5; wethers, $5.50 @5.75; culls, $4@4.50; ewes, $5@5.25.

Calves—Active; best, $8.75@9; medium to good, $6@8.50; heavy, $4@5.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit—Wheat—Cash No 2 red, 1 car at 98c; 3 cars at 93 1-2c; September opened at an advance of 1-4c, lost 1-2c and advanced 3-4c, closing at 95 1-4c; December opened at 94c, declined 1-2c and advanced to $1 01 1-2 at the close; May opened at $1 03, declined to $1 05 1-2 and advanced to $1 07 1-2, closing at $1 07 1-2; No 3 red, 1 car at 92c; No 2 white, 94 1-2c; sample, 1 car at 93 1-4c; No 3 white, 1 car at 91 1-4c; No 2 yellow, 1 car at 65 1-2c, 1 car at 66c, 1 car at 66 1-2c, 1 car at 67c; No 3 yellow, 1 car at 64 1-4c, 1 car at 65 1-2c, 1 car at 66c.

Oats—Cash No 2 white, 2 cars at 52c, 1 car at 53c, 2 cars at 54c, closing at 54c; September, 2,000 bu at 54c; September, 2,000 bu at 54c, closing at 55c; No 4 white, 1 car at 52c; rejected, 1 car at 49c, 2 cars at 50c, 1 car at 50 1-2c, 2 cars at 50 1-2c, 2 cars at 51c.

Rye—Cash No 2, 83c bid.

Beans—Cash, $1 65 bid; October, $1 65 bid; November, $1 68 asked.

Cloverseed—Prime spot and October, $9 25; December, $9; March, $9 10; sample, 7 bags at $8 75, 10 bags at $8 50, 2 bags at $8 25, 2 bags at $9; sample alsike, 6 bags at $8 50, 6 bags at $8, 12 bags at $8 25.

Timothy seed—Prime spot, 40 bags at $2 10.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT

Week Ending September 21, 1907.

TEMPLE THEATER AND WONDERLAND—Afternoon 25c, 15c to 25c; Evenings 25c, 15c, 10c. Vaudeville, Moving Pictures, Street King, and his Company of Ten People.

WHITNEY OPERA HOUSE—Matinee daily at 2:30. Evenings at 8:15. 10c, 20c, 30c. A Race Across the Continent.

LYCEUM THEATER—Every Night. Mats. Sun., Wed., Sat. 15c, 25c, 50c. Dockstader's Minstrels.

STEAMERS LEAVING DETROIT

D. & C. for Cleveland daily at 10:30 p. m. Week End Excursions every Saturday night. Detroit & Buffalo Line.

D. & H. for Buffalo, week days at 5:00 p. m. Sundays at 4:00 p. m. Week End Excursions to Buffalo every Saturday. $2.50 round trip.

WHITE STAR LINE.—For PORT HURON way ports daily, 8:30 a. m., 2:30 and 5:30 p. m.; Sundays 9 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. TOLEDO daily 5 p. m., Sundays 9 a. m. and 5 p. m.

A regular army officer has informed military headquarters that Michigan has the best signal corps in the National guard.

While in a walnut tree in Nashville, Ralph Roberts, 13, of Flint, grasped a live electric wire and the loss of his fingers has to be amputated.

During one of the fiercest electrical storms in Lapeer during the summer, lighting struck the unusually large barn of the late Judge Stickney and burned it to the ground. The loss is $4,000, with insurance at $2,000. The barn was stocked with grain. It was the biggest barn in the county.

The continual vibration of passing trains has caused Dora Harris, 15, daughter of Grand Trunk Agent Harris, of Lenox, to have an attack of acute meningitis. This is the second time that meningitis has entered the Harris household within a few months.

Through the treachery of a Mexican who cut the girths of his saddle, to prevent him from winning a race, Jesse Goode, a former newspaper reporter of Jackson, was thrown to the ground and killed. Goode was employed on an Arizona newspaper.

Poisoned by "Christmas candy," the 5-year-old daughter of Edward Honkala, of Ishpeming, is dead.