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To Avoid Cold.

Eminent medical authorities maintain that the sudden change from an overwarmed room to the cold air outside has more to do with the productions of "colds" than all the other supposed agencies combined. The air-passages, after having been dried, and, so to speak, baked in our too much heated living-rooms, are not only peculiarly sensitive to cold, but are in a condition least liable to resist the influence of the change. The same principle might apply to overheating the body by too much clothing and enfeebling the skin by confined perspiration. The exact contrary condition results from inurement to low temperature and the creation of a habit of natural resistance. The man who is accustomed to bare his throat to the blast rarely suffers from tonsilitis, and the one who is used to the cold morning plunge never knows a shiver, even in zero weather. The real moral is to face the cold with a bold front, to conquer rather than to shirk from it and be overcome in the end. The hardened man makes his skin an ever-ready adjuster to all variations of temperature. The feebler one can approach such a state of protection and may in the end equal it. The worst of all is that a "cold" taken in early winter is apt to linger and thus prepare the system for even more distressing ailments, says the New York Weekly. The very lack of vital resistance that invites the first attack of catarrh is apt to intensify the predisposition to subsequent colds. This in a great measure explains the prevalence of pneumonia during the inclement season. The microbe never attacks a healthy membrane, but lies in wait for the local debilitation which furnishes the soil for the seed. No more forcible argument could be used in favor of preventive measures against the slightest respiratory trouble that may show itself at this time. Nothing lowers the vital resistance against all throat and lung diseases more than the initiative and apparently insignificant "cold."

Marshal Your Forces.

No mind, no intellect is powerful or great enough to attract wealth while the mental attitude is turned away from it, facing in the other direction. One of the greatest problems of modern science is to discover means by which the great energies of forces which are going to waste all about us may be utilized, says Orison Swett Marden in Success Magazine. It is a well-known fact that the finest locomotive yet made has succeeded in utilizing only about fifteen per cent. of the energy of its fuel. Eighty-five per cent. of the sun's force stored up in the coal is lost. Great forces of nature are everywhere going to waste because man does not know how to control them, to marshal them, to harness them to his uses. On every hand we see great human ability doing the work of mediocrity or running to waste; splendid possibilities in rags and hovels; men of quality and talent living shiftlessly in narrowness and squalor; thousands of men and women, who have reached their gray-hair period, having still 75, 80 or 90 per cent. of their ability undeveloped, untouched. They are small, mean and pinched, when, had they discovered themselves and demanded the best of themselves, they might have been large, broad, full and complete.

Santo Domingo is finding American supervision of the finances an excellent and profitable thing. A letter from W. E. Pulliam, United States receiver of customs at Santo Domingo, to the bureau of insular affairs at Washington, gives interestng information as to the changed condition of affairs. An immense improvement in the financial condition of the republic is seen. Mr. Pulliam states that the income for the present fiscal year is estimated at $3,948,000, the largest in the history of the country. After deducting the $1,200,000 which according to the terms of the agreement will be set aside this year to apply to the foreign bond payments, a handsome sum will be left for home use. One of the best results of the honest and effective collection and application of the revenue, under American supervision is the toning up imparted to the public service generally. The United States of course has nothing to do with the interior administration of Santo Domingo, but appreciative native officials are looking on and learning how.

Disinterested individuals setting on one side authentic statements that they are the biggest crops ever known, and on the other positive reports that the northwest is burned up with the heat, may arrive at the final conclusion that crop reports have a faint resemblance to loaded dice.

The marks of esteem exchanged between the sultan and his subjects are regarded with more mutual suspicion than ever since the attempted assassination.

The Young Turks demand that the sultan give up his harem. If everybody in Turkey should follow such counsel, there wouldn't be any young Turks.

In Alaska the drought has been broken, so the chance for a large gold crop this year is improved.

A Denver woman hid her money in her rat. Well, shouldn't money be kept under locks?

LATEST NEWS OF MICHIGAN

HILLSDALE TEACHER SAYS SHE WAS ATTACKED BY A HIRED THUG.

MADE IT A RECEPTION.

Various Bits of News Gathered Here and There About the State and Briefly Told.

Hillsdale officers are investigating the story told by Miss Louise Schwatrz, a teacher and Hillsdale college student, who says she was attacked late at night on her way home from the depot. Miss Schwartz says that while passing the Hillsdale college church a man rushed out and threw her to the ground.

He placed a gag in her mouth, but she pulled it out and pleaded hard for mercy, she says. The man relented, according to her story, and then told her that he had been hired by an enemy to chloroform her and place her in a conveyance waiting near, the driver of which was to take her to a designated spot, where the enemy would be waiting. The man then told her to go home, she says, but instead she went to the house of friends near by.

Shortly after a man came to the house where Miss Schwartz lives and handed in her purse and umbrella which she had dropped. He made no explanation but simply said they were the teacher's property. The stranger did not seem at all agitated.

Miss Schwartz says that after she had left the scene of the attack she heard the tramp of horses' feet and saw a carriage driven up to the place where she lives. She gave a good description of the alleged assailant, but the authorities have not been able to locate him. Neither can they find that a carriage was hired to drive to that vicinity.

Miss Schwartz thinks that perhaps an incident which occurred nearly a year ago had something to do with the attack. At that time, she says, she tore an obscene picture which she saw hanging in the caboose of a way freight train, which carried passengers. A brakeman at the time became angry and threatened to get revenge on her, she declares.

Dr. Bradley at Home.

Owing to the uncertainty of the outcome of the Republican gubernatorial primary election the celebration which the friends of Dr. James B. Bradley had planned for Thursday night over his supposed victory was changed, into a reception in honor of the doctor. Dr. Bradley has expressed a wish that the affair might be called off altogether, but it had been so widely advertised that this was impossible.

Nearly 5,000 people assembled at McCauley island. A big delegation came from Charlotte, accompanied by the Charlotte band and all the county officials. Addresses were made by Justice Robert M. Montgomery, of the state supreme court; Clyde Webster, J. M. C. Smith, chairman of the Republican county committee, and other prominent local Republicans. Dr. Bradley responded briefly. He declared that he had not yet given up hope and mentioned some of the reforms that he intended inaugurating if he was elected. An elaborate display of fireworks closed the festivities.

Husband Vanished.

Harvey Parker, 22 years old, smooth shaven and with unlimited nerve and an automobile, is in no danger of being arrested for leaving a week-old bride and a heavy board bill at a Detroit hotel without notice. His father-in-law at Saginaw has settled the hotel account. Also Ida Schmidtke, the bride of a week, was taken back home to mother by her brother. Parker's disappearance brought to a premature and rather tragic close a honeymoon that started auspiciously a week before when Miss Schmidtke came from her home in Saginaw and Mr. Parker came from his home in Conneaut, O., and they were married by a Detroit justice of the peace. They naively admitted to the justice that they were broke, but said their hopes were bright.

Pastor Once More.

Found guilty of improper conduct while pastor of the Third Reformed church in Muskegon, Rev. John Van Der Valk returned to Holland, and is now in charge of an successful independent church there. When Rev. Mr. Van Der Valk returned to his native land he was reinstated in the church there and given a charge. He had difficulties with his wife and after obtaining a divorce married a 17-year-old girl in London. He then returned to Rotterdam and started the independent church.

Fought a Mad Dog.

In a desperate battle with a mad dog, Frank Anson, prominent farmer of Prairieville township, was badly bitten. Hearing a commotion among his stock, Anson seized a club and attacked the dog which turned upon him. The animal turned towards Richland, passed through several herds and bit many hogs. A farmer named Chatterton finally shot it. All stock bitten has been quarantined.

The war department has decided to disinter the remains of 167 bodies of soldiers in the burial grounds of Fort Keogh, in Miles City, Mont., now abandoned and reinter them near Fort Custer.

The geographical commission appointed by the Mexican government seven years ago to map all the towns of the country has reported that they have discovered 7,679 towns not officially known to exist before. Many are of considerable size, population ranging from 5,000 to $15,000.

STATE NEWS BRIEFS.

Work on the $75,000 depot in Alpena of the D. & M. railroad will begin in the spring.

Thieves entered the Vickeryville postoffice Friday night with skeleton keys and robbed it of $90.

Standish is visited by a number of Mormon preachers who speak on the streets several times a day.

The potato crop in Osceola county is being ruined for want of rain, none having fallen in several weeks.

The L. O. T. M. have purchased for $60,000 a corner lot in Detroit on which to erect a headquarters building.

Henry Wilson, the Saginaw man who slew his wife in Duluth, has been sentenced to life imprisonment in that city.

His mind unbalanced by excessive use of liquor, L. N. Thatcher, a farmer living near Caro, shot and killed himself.

Charged with burning the large barn of his neighbor, Robert K. Carr, Thos. Robb, of Hubbard Lake, was arrested on an arson charge.

A gang of gold thieves is burglarizing the dentists' offices in Kalamazoo. Sheriff Shean has offered a reward for their capture.

Lightning followed the telegraph wires of the Pere Marquette into the Williamsburg depot and stunned Agent R. A. McArthur.

Cornelius Herman, a Coldwater lad, tried to drive a nail through a stick of dynamite, thinking it was wood, and his left hand was mangled.

Claims against the city for $11,775 in damages alleged to have been sustained from defective sidewalks have been filed with the city clerk.

While turning on an electric light, Fred. Lundstrom, aged 20, of Marquette, received the full power of the current and was instantly killed.

George H. Groh, the Ann Arbor railroad engineer, who was scalded two weeks ago by an explosion on his engine, died in University hospit.l.

While running away from home with two chums, Wm. Routler, Jr., son of a Battle Creek auction commissioner, was killed under a freight train in Chicago.

The sixteenth annual convention of the Michigan Jobbers' association will be held Wednesday and Thursday, September 9 and 10, at the Hotel Pantland.

Five thousand union men of Lansing, Albion, Battle Creek and Kalamazoo joined in the Jackson Labor day celebration, about 20,000 viewing the parade.

While painting his house Patrick Culhane, aged 60, an Adrian township farmer, lost his balance and fell from the ladder. He broke his neck and died instantly.

Charged with misappropriating $1,000 of the school funds, Chas. Kinsella, clerk of the Spalding township board, was arrested on a warrant taken out by Supervisor Prince.

Alleging failure of the train to give any signal of its approach, Mrs. Mary Frasier has sued the Ann Arbor railroad for $10,000 for the death of her son and support, at a grade crossing, in January.

Forest fires raging throughout Menominee are said to be getting close to the villages of Parmeter, Swith and Greenwood. Fire Warden Bedell has a large force of men at work fighting the flames.

John Sabins, of Cooper, came to Battle Creek Saturday night to see the sights. He slept in a barn, and Sunday reported to the police that he had been touched for a valuable gold watch while he slumbered.

After being shot in the side by a prominent Vicksburg woman, Ray Bruce, a young man of the village, is missing. The woman, who is married, admits the shooting, but will give no other reason than self-defense.

Determined to make her suicide sure, Mrs. Jacob Russell drank chloroform, took Paris green and bound a cloth saturated with chloroform over her nose. She was found in bed and hurried to a hospital, where her life was saved.

Some person in Bay City with a mania for killing and maiming dumb brutes is believed to be responsible for a number of brutal cases that have occurred within the last month. Several head of stock have been poisoned and others cut and slashed.

Claiming that he was either robbed of or lost $4,800, the savings of a lifetime, while en route from Chicago to Muskegon Friday night on the steamer Virginia, John Coyne, of Chicago, who was about to buy a Muskegon county farm, reported the matter to the police.

Fred. Parker, the Grand Trunk brakeman who was arrested in Winnipeg several weeks ago on a charge of having criminally assaulted crippled Elizabeth Pilger, of Port Huron, last April, was bound over to the circuit court for trial. He went to jail in default of $7,500 bail.

Headquarters of the Democratic state central committee have been established in Lansing. Secretary A. R. Canfield will be in charge. Chairman Winship, of Saginaw, and Treasurer H. E. Thomas, of Lansing, will assist in the management of the campaign.

The blueberry season in upper Michigan is practically ended. It has been one of the least productive in a number of years; still, aside from the home consumption, it is estimated that in the neighborhood of 60,000 cases of fruit have been shipped to Chicago, Milwaukee, the Twin Cities and other outside points.

Final tests of the silencer invented by Hiram Maxim for rifles were made by United States officers in Springfield, Mass., Thursday, to determine their value as a protection to skirmishers and sharpshooters, and proved an entire success. Not a sound could be heard.

Attorney General Clement, of North Carolina, has decided that the state is not required to care for John Earley, the Lynn leper whose affliction was discovered in Washington, where he is now isolated. This puts it up to the United States to care for him. He is an ex-sol[illegible]

Record in Bridge Building.

A historic feat in bridge building is recalled by H. G. Lehmann of Van Wert, O., in a letter to the Toledo Blade. In December, 1864, the union army, while on its way from Atlanta to the sea, found King's bridge wrecked, in the Ogeechee river, near Savannah. A report of Gen. Howard is quoted as follows: "With regard to opening communication with the fleet, the engineer department, under the direction of Capt. C. B. Reese, chief engineer, was instructed to rebuild King's bridge, which was effected by the morning of the 13th (December). The work was a most remarkable one, being completed in about two days' time, considering that there was little left of the old bridge excepting the posts. This bridge measured 1,000 feet in length."

News Notes from Lansing

Interesting Happenings at the State Capital of Michigan.

Lansing.—The committee on pastoral relations of the Methodist Protestant conference reported the following appointments: President of conference, W. G. Harger; professor of theology and psychology in Adrian college, J. W. Gray, D. D.

Adrian district—A. Scott, chairman, Adrian; Miss Lee Anna Stare, Adrian mission, H. B. Hayes; Monroe, A. Scott; Wellsville, A. L. Bragg; Britton, E. L. Steffey (new).

Franklin district—W. G. Ostrander, chairman; Shelby, G. W. Bedell; Leonard, J. W. Ayling, Mrs. Ayling, Ashley; Frablin, W. G. Ostrander; Davisburg, W. M. Coombs; Attica, Charles Bragg; Burton, P. Atlas, B. C. Hescott (new).

Lapeer district—C. L. Ellis; Columbiaville, W. H. Cole; Fostoria, D. A. Van Dover; Lum, A. A. Phelps; Lapeer, C. England; North Branch, U. C. Helmbold; Marlette, C. L. Ellis; Mayville, Mrs. Addie Dean, Lube; Otter Lake, to be supplied.

Livingstone district—M. R. Saigen; Ingham, F. E. Kinsman; Livingstone, M. R. Saigen.

Clio district—C. W. Stephenson; Clio, F. E. Ogle; Owosso, J. D. Young; Brant, M. Simons; Saginaw, W. S. George Lover; Saginaw, E. S., C. W. Stephenson; Flint, M. J. Weaver; Branch Run and Elvada, A. N. Waldo; New Lathrop, C. E. Perry; Richfield, to be supplied; Genesee, J. W. Heminger.

Port Huron district—W. F. Oliver; Gordland, J. W. Saxbee; Capac, O. R. Stillson; Riley and Berlin, W. F. Oliver; Yale, U. G. Ostrander; Smith's Creek, B. G. Halliday; Goodelis, Earl Hatt; Peck, to be supplied; Greenwood, C. A. Dolph; Grant, R. A. Norton; Banner, E. A. Cochrane.

Caro district—J. M. Crandall; Kinde, W. H. Mitchell; Gagetown, B. C. Powell; Welb, G. Warren; Prairie, D. Earle; Cass River, J. M. Crandall; Wahjamega, G. Mikel; Caro, R. Rutledge; Fairgrove, I. T. Crago.

Lansing district—J. H. Reilly, in place of G. N. Gillett; Assyria, Mrs. Emma Garritson; Barryville, J. J. Willette; Butterfield mission, H. S. Spranger; Diamondale, J. H. Reilly, Eaton Rapids, I. E. Miller; Charlotte, to be supplied; Lansing, to be supplied; North Jackson, I. W. Graves; Rice Creek, W. H. Hutton; Frederick, W. G. Teerhune; Grayling, R. H. Cunningham; Hickory Corners, Lloyd Meade.

Three Rivers district—J. A. Moray; Bradley, W. F. Peerlius, Flowerfield, F. T. Nichols; Hillsdale, H. F. Swartzkopp; Hawditch, to be supplied; Lagrange, L. W. Bishop; Laporte and Tracey, John McCune; Newburg, J. E. McClure; Three Rivers, to be supplied; Van Buren, J. A. Moray.

Upper Peninsula district—A. J. Polglase; Laurium, A. J. Polglase; Hancock, M. J. Polglase.

Unveil Macomb Statue.

The Michigan Society of the United States Daughters of 1812 celebrated the ninety-fourth anniversary of the winning of the battle of Plattsburg by unveiling a monument in Detroit to Gen. Alexander Macomb, the hero of the engagement. Gen. Macomb was a native of Detroit, the head of the Fifth military department, and was subsequently commander-in-chief of the armies of the United States. The monument is in design a bronze statue of the general, executed by Adolph A. Weinman of New York, and selected in a competitive examination which took place at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in the spring of 1906. Nineteen models were examined. Augustus St. Gaudens was chairman of the jury, he was too ill to act, in his absence, the following passed on the design and execution: Herbert Adams, William M. Kendall, Herman MacNeil, E. C. Potter and Albert R. Ross. The United States furnished condemned cannon of sufficient quantity to furnish the metal for the statue and also three trophy guns—one French and two English—to decorate the base. The statue is of heroic size, and, including the foundations and pedestal, has cost $12,000. Of this amount $5,000 was appropriated by the state of Michigan, and $2,000 by the city of Detroit. The Seventh United States infantry from Fort Wayne, under the command of Col. Daniel Dornman, was in attendance, and the Loyal Legion, the Detroit G. A. R. posts, the Detroit Light guard, the Detroit Light infantry and the naval reserves assisted in the exercises. Fr. Ernest Van Dyke delivered the invocation. Mrs. William Gerry Slade, as president, brought greetings from the national society of the United States Daughters of 1812, and Mrs. Bertram C. Whitney, president of the Michigan society, presented the monument. The president of the Colorado society, Mrs. Frank Wheaton, did the unveiling. The Seventh United States infantry fired a salute, and the Seventh regiment band played the "Star Spangled Banner." Mayor Thompson accepted for the city, and Congressman Edwin Denby made the address of the afternoon. Rev. Edwin Macomb pronounced the benediction.

White Is Democratic Choice.

O. A. White of Fremont, Newaygo county, has been decided upon as the Democratic candidate for congressman in the Ninth district.

Would Break McCurdy Will.

Four heirs of the late Hugh McCurdy of this city, who left his $110,000 estate to the Masonic Orphans' home at Grand Rapids, filed in the probate court notice of a suit to break the will. Mr. McCurdy, who was one of the widest known Masons in the United States, left his widow an annuity of $800 a year, and his son Spencer, a life interest in the farm upon which he lived. The rest of the estate was to be held in trust for the orphans' home.

Where Governors Grow.

Eaton Rapids claims to have furnished more gubernatorial timber than any place of its size in the country. Gov. Cummins of Iowa, formerly lived and married there. John Stevenson was born and raised there and is now a candidate for the governor's chair in the state of Washington. L. T. Hemans, the Democratic candidate for governor of Michigan, lived there and graduated from the public schools, and the Republican candidate, James R. Bradley lives there now

Bradley Talks of Victory.

Speaking of his victory in corralling the Republican nomination for governor Dr. James B. Bradley said: "I shall continue the attitude which I have taken during my campaign for the nomination, namely, to stand for economy in the administration of state affairs, for equal taxation, for the passage of anti-lobby bill and for direct primaries. I naturally feel well pleased at my selection for the head of the ticket by the Republicans of the state." Gov. Fred M. Warner said: "A primary election is for the purpose of having the people decide for themselves whom they wish to represent their parties. They should abide by the result of the primary. That is what I will do. I thank my friends for what they did for me throughout the state and am glad, at least, that the result is so close. It was the adverse vote in the cities which defeated me." Republican nominations were as follows:

For governor—Dr. James B. Bradley, Eaton Rapids.
Lieutenant governor—Patrick H. Kelley.

CONGRESSMEN.

Second district—Charles E. Townsend.
Third district—Washington Gardner.
Fifth district—Gerrit J. Diekema.
Sixth district—Samuel W. Smith.
Seventh district—Henry McMorran.
Eighth district—Joseph W. Fordney.
Ninth district—James C. McLaughlin.
Tenth district—George A. Loud.
Eleventh district—Francis H. Dodds.

STATE SENATORS.

Eighth district—Erastus N. Bates.
Eleventh district—James E. Weter.
Twelfth district—Frank T. Newton.
Thirteenth district—Francis Shields.
Fourteenth district—Arthur J. Tuttle.
Fifteenth district—Loren J. Dickinson.
Sixteenth district—Carl Mapes.
Seventeenth district—Horace T. Barnaby.
Eighteenth district—Fred J. Baldwin.
Nineteenth district—William H. Aitken.
Twentieth district—Frederick B. Kline.
Twenty-first district—Edwin G. Fox.
Twenty-fourth district—William A. Collins.
Twenty-ninth district—Frederick R. Ming.

State Senators Named.

Late returns show that the following were nominated for state senator in the various districts:

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Car Famine Is Predicted.

According to statements made at railroad headquarters there will not be an idle freight car in Michigan within 60 days. In fact, it was predicted that there will be a car famine by the middle of October. Over 500 of one road's 2,500 idle cars in the Saginaw district have been absorbed in the handling of early crops, and the prospect of bumper harvests of all kinds, but particularly of fruit, it is said, will swamp the Michigan railroads with business. A railway company turned out repaired cars at the rate of 50 a day in order to meet the prospective rush, and all other roads in the state collected every car they could lay their hands on.

Kelley Ready to Support Bradley.

Lieut. Gov. Kelley, who campaigned with Gov. Warner and made a fight for his chief, surrendered with grace to the result of the primary. "From now on I am as good a Bradley man as anyone," said Kelley. "I shall do my share in the campaign before election and of course I expect the ticket will win by the usual majorities." Lieut. Gov. Kelley assured the interviewer that he should fight for the principles to which he was devoted during the last session of the legislature, and that there would be no change in his attitude toward public questions on which his record is well known.

Will Run for Congress.

Prosecuting Attorney Miles Purcell of Saginaw announced his willingness to accept the Democratic nomination for congress and make the race against the Republican nominee. Purcell has a record as prosecutor, is a well-known attorney. He is not yet 40 years old and is regarded as a most potent figure.

Lapeer Probate Judge Accused.

Charges of collecting illegal fees made against Probate Judge Brown of Lapeer were said to be substantiated by the report of Julius Dresser, the Detroit expert accountant, who completed his investigation of the judge's books. According to Prosecuting Attorney Reed the report shows that Judge Brown collected nearly $700 illegal fees during his incumbency. It is alleged the judge collected fees on hearing of claims where he had rendered no service whatever.

Forces Lid Issue in Saginaw.

The saloon question has broken out at Saginaw again in an acute form. Mayor Baum publicly announced that the board of police commissioners at a formal meeting lifted the lid and authorized the saloons to keep open till midnight. A wave of public indignation at this illegal action caused the police commissioners to go back on the mayor and deny that any such action had been taken, and as the resolution had not of course been reduced to writing and there was no record of its adoption, the mayor was left in the lurch.

ALL ABLAZE.

Northern Minnesota in the Grasp of Great Forest Fires.

All of northern Minnesota is now ablaze with forest fires. Reports received in Duluth Tuesday indicate that the region covered by fires extends as far along the north shore as Grand Marais, as far west as the western Mesaba ranges, south to within 10 or 15 miles of Duluth, and as far north as the extreme northern edge of the ranges.

Throughout the distance, a territory 100 miles square, fires are raging and settlers are being burned out by the hundreds. It will be impossible to estimate the total loss for weeks to come. It will be very heavy.

Hundreds of citizens in a score of villages such as Buhl, Nashwauk, Wrenshall, Aurora, Mitchell and many mining localities are devoting all their energies to fighting back the flames. No more towns of importance have been burned since the destruction of Chisholm, but constant vigilance is needed to save Hibbing. The village of Snowball, with 100 inhabitants, is wiped off the map.

A brisk wind was blowing in the territory affected and unless it died down or a drenching rain comes the entire district mentioned above may be swept clear.

Duluth has raised $20,000 for the sufferers and relief trains are being rushed forward.

Homeless settlers are arriving in Hibbing and Duluth by every train, telling tales of hairbreadth escapes from the flames.

Only Target Shooting.

On the departure for New York of Maj. Wadsworth, the friend of President Roosevelt, who was riding with him last Saturday, the bottom was knocked out of the story that an attempt had been made to assassinate the president.

Wadsworth declared that while a shot was fired near the road along which he and the president were riding, it was fired by some target shooters on the farm of W. Emlen Roosevelt, the president's cousin.

This positive statement, coupled with an investigation made at Mineola of a man suspected of the shooting, completely upset the theory of an attempted assassination, which had been given considerable credence owing to the mystery thrown about it by the secret service men.

Prof. Francis Darwin, son of the great naturalist, delivered an address at the opening of the British scientists' convention in Dublin Wednesday, in which he declared that plants might be classed as animals in the way they responded to touch, and that they have memory and develop habits.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.—Cattle—Market dull at last week's prices; fair demand for stockers; steers and heifers, 1,000 to 1,200, $4@4.50; steers and heifers, 800 to 1,000, $3.50@4; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 800 to 1,000, $3.50@4; grass steers and heifers that are fat, 500 to 700, $3.25@3.50; choice fat cows, $3.75@4; good fat cows, $3.25@3.50; common cows, $2.50@3; canners, $1.50@2; choice heavy bulls, $3.25@3.50; fair to good bolognas, bulls, $3@3.25; stock bulls, $2.50@3; choice feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, $3.75@4; fair feeding steers, 800 to 1,000, $3.50@3.75; choice stockers, 500 to 700, $3@3.25; stock heifers, $2.50@3; milkers, large, young, medium age, $40@50; common milkers, $20@35.

Veal calves—Market 25c to 35c lower than last week; best, $7.75@8; others, $3.75@7.50; milch cows and springers strong.

Sheep and lambs—Market 25c lower than last week; best lambs, $5@5.50; fair to good lambs, $4.50@5; light to common lambs, $3.50@4; fair to good butcher sheep, $3@3.75; culls and common, $2@3.

Hogs—Market steady, last Thursday's prices. Range of prices: Light to good butchers, $6@6.50; pigs, $5@5.50; light yorkers, $6@6.25; roughs, $4@5.50; stags, 1-3 off.

Grain, Etc.

Detroit.—Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, 2 cars at 96¼c, closing at 97c; September opened at 96½c, advanced to 97¾c and declined to 97c; December opened at 98c, gained 1¼c and declined to 98¾c; May opened at $1.01¾, advanced to $1.02¾ and declined to $1.02; No. 3 red, 94c; No. 1 white, 96c.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 82c bid; No. 3 yellow, 1 car at 83½c; sample, 1 car at 82c.

Oats—Cash No. 3 white, 1 car at 51¼c, 2 cars at 52c; September, 5,000 bu at 51¼c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, 2 cars at 75c.

Beans—Cash, $2.40; October, $2.12 bid; November, $2.03 bid.

Cloverseed—Prime October, 100 bags at $5.20; March, 200 bags at $6.10; sample, 20 bags at $5.75, 15 bags at $5.50, 25 bags at $5.25, 10 bags at $5; sample alsike, 12 bags at $8.50, 5 bags at $8.10 bags at $7.50, 4 bags at $6.50.

Timothy seed—Prime spot, 100 bags at $1.65.

Feed—In 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, $26; coarse middlings, $27; fine middlings, $29; cracked corn and coarse cornmeal, $34; corn and oat chop, $31 per ton.

Flour—Michigan patent, best, $5.25; ordinary patent, $4.75; straight, $4.65; clear, $4 per bbl. in wood.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.
Week Ending September 12.

TEMPLE THEATER—VAUDEVILLE—Afternoons, 2:15, 10c to 25c. Evenings, 8:15, 10c to 50c.

WHITNEY— Evenings, 15-20-30c. Matinees 10-15-25c. Robert Hilliard presents Miss Annie Blanche and company in "Opium Smugglers of 'Frisco."

NEW LAFAYETTE—Moving pictures and vaudeville 5 and 10 cents.

ELECTRIC PARK, Belle Isle Bridge, furnishes entertainment for all. Free vaudeville by high-class talent a special feature.

Steamers Leaving Detroit.

DETROIT & BUFFALO STEAMSHIP CO.—Foot of Wayne st. For Buffalo and Niagara Falls daily, 5 p. m. Week end trip, $2.50.

WHITE STAR LINE—Foot of Griswold st. For Port Huron and way ports, week days at 8:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Sundays at 9:00 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. For Toledo daily at 8:15 a. m. and 4:00 p. m. Sunday at 8:45 a. m. and 5 p. m.

DETROIT AND CLEVELAND NAVIGATION CO.—Foot of Wayne st. For Cleveland and eastern points daily at 10:30 p. m. For Mackinaw and way ports: Monday and Saturday, 5 p. m.; Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a. m.

Albert Hulton, 25, a negro, gave the operator of a hurdy-gurdy 25 cents and told him to play as long as the money held out. Then he began dancing, executing two steps, waltz, jig and buck and wing steps as the movement changed. A crowd gathered and when the music the first coin paid for ceased, another one was produced, and the dancing continued until the police interfered. Hulton retired to his room and in a short time was dead from heart disease, due to overexertion.

The owner of the first aid to hearing looked on in consternation that was half anger, but as he was very anxious to secure an answer to his question he did not protest against the sterilization of the tube.

Scientific Loafing.

"Chess, checkers and whist are marvelous inventions," says the philosopher of folly. "They enable a man to waste his time and still have the feeling that he is accomplishing something intellectual.

WARNER'S LEAD OVER BRADLEY

COUNTY CANVASS SHOWS SOME MINOR CHANGES, BUT NOT MATERIAL.

Dr. Bradley Makes a Manly Statement Declaring There Will Be No Recount So Far As He Is Concerned.

The returns on the state primaries that came in on Friday showed some very remarkable changes in the result as at first announced, when the nomination of a candidate for governor on the Republican ticket was assigned to Dr. Bradley on the face of the reports made from the various counties. There were many precincts from which no returns were received on Tuesday, but it was thought little difference would result from them. Wednesday and Thursday reports began coming in that created a doubt as to the result and Friday some startling discrepancies developed which utterly changed the situation. The county canvassing board discovered errors in the count of the Kent county vote for governor, which, when corrected, yielded Gov. Warner a net gain of 845 votes. The error was discovered when the board cast up the totals. Election night somebody engaged in calling off the township returns made a mistake and called the wrong figures. This the column was totaled wrong. There does not appear to have been intentional fraud involved. Somebody blundered. An effort is being made to find out who did it. Bradley was credited with 6,948 votes, though the correct vote is 6,134. Warner was credited with 3,115; his correct vote, is 3,146.

Until the result of the official canvass is known Gov. Warner will believe his plurality is 2,198. The returns collected by Maj. Loomis, his secretary, show that Gov. Warner received 88,679 votes and Dr. Bradley 86,481. In reply to Maj. Loomis' request for the official results from their counties, 75 county clerks responded. Figures from the other seven counties were obtained by Maj. Loomis from what he believed to be reliable authorities.

The official canvass of the primary vote on governor is in progress over the state. Forty-three counties have been heard from so far. In 41 of them there are no changes. Another small error was found in Kent, making the vote for Bradley 6,196 instead of 6,134, as reported when the big blunder was found last week. There was a slight change in Gladwin's vote.

This leaves the vote: Bradley, 86,683; Warner, 88,523. Warner's plurality, 1,840.

Dr. Bradley makes this manly statement: "I am, of course, disappointed, but I am a good loser and if the official canvass shows I am not nominated I will turn to and stand by the nominee with the party. There will be no recount as far as I am concerned. I will abide by the result of the primary. I wish to thank all my friends for their support and assure them that I am deeply grateful to the thousands of people who voted for me."

The G. A. R.

In his annual report at the annual meeting in Toledo Charles G. Burton, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., said in part:

"On December 31, 1906, the members in good standing numbered 229,932. On December 31, 1907, the number was 225,157, a net loss in membership during the year 1907 of 4,775.

"During 1907 our loss by death was 10,242, partly offset by 5,467 members added to our roll by muster-in and reinstatement. The 'suspended list' is very large and I suggest that whenever it is apparent a comrade cannot pay his dues, his post remit them."

Quartermaster-General Charles Burrows reported that $16,000 in U. S. bonds owned by the G. A. R. had been taken over by the committee of three trustees having charge of a permanent fund. In addition a $1,000 gift from Mrs. Helen R. Blackman, widow of a deceased commander-in-chief, was added to this fund.

To Raise Ducks.

Three hundred square miles of favorite hunting grounds for water fowl will be converted by the National Association of Audubon societies into a protected home for the numerous breeds gradually undergoing extermination for commercial purposes. Two tracts presented by the government for this purpose are in Oregon and California, about the Klamath, Malheur and Harney Lakes. Whole races of the wild fowl, persecuted by seekers after plumes and food for the markets, will be restored on the preserves.

The Crops.

The condition of corn September 1 was 79.4 per cent of a normal, against a 10-year average of 81 per cent; spring wheat when harvested, 77.6 per cent, against a 10-year average of 77.9; barley when harvested, 81.2 per cent, against a 10-year average of 82.5, and oats, 69.7 per cent, against a 10-year average of 80.7, says the crop report issued by the department of agriculture in Washington.

Mrs. Paula Chaves de Mendez, wife of a planter living near Moralia, Mexico, has given birth to her sixth set of triplets. She is 38 years old and has had 30 children, all living.

Rear Admiral John P. Ferrel, appointed to the navy from Michigan in 1863, retires September 7 on account of age. He was recently a member of the joint army and navy board and president of the naval war college in Newport. He was born in New York.

The sheath stocking has followed the admiration of New York men now. It starts out like an ordinary stocking—so far as the ankle—when there begins to grow a widening breach, ill concealed by filmy lace. At the knee there is a three-inch gap, surmounted by a bow of ribbon. Combined with the sheath skirt it is expected to add to the general effect.

Savings Bank for Employes.

In order to encourage thrift among its employes the Northeastern Railway Company some years ago established a savings bank at which deposits as low as sixpence are received, four per cent. interest being paid on accounts in excess of that amount. Last year 1,040 new accounts were opened and £104,672 deposited. The total amount now standing to the credit of 11,003 depositors is £893,762, representing an average sum of £81 4s. 6d. for each depositor.