

AS WAR GOES ON

SEEKED TO BREAK THROUGH THE BARRED

CZAR'S DAUGHTER INSPECTS HER REGIMENT

LETTER FROM THE STATE CAPTIVE



Grand Duchess Olga, eldest daughter of the czar, inspecting the regiment of cavalry of which she is the colonel, before its departure for the front.

COMMISSIONER OF STATE BOARD OFFICE PREPARES REPORT FOR YEARS.

TO STRENGTHEN ARSON LAWS

Not a Single Conviction Has Been Obtained by the State Out of Twenty-Seven Arrests in Two Years.

THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Lansing, Mich., Oct. 26.—The twenty-second annual report of the Commissioner of the State Land Office, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, is now ready for the state printer.

This only a small acreage was disposed of during the last year the average price per acre for the 122.22 acres was 7.55 per acre. This was mostly for railroad right of ways across state lands.

Most of the money received was on account of sales of city and village property, although \$1,100,000 up to the first of July, was received from sales of St. Clair Falls property, and about \$4,000 for trespass.

The Public Domain commission has authority under the act to direct the commissioner of the state land office to issue deeds of state lands in exchange for the several forest reserves.

While 50,000 acres of state lands are under consideration for exchange, on 49,293 acres have been parted with up to July. It would seem from the amount received for the foregoing number of acres that there must be some David Harums connected with the sale of state lands.

From the report compiled by Commissioner Carlton, it would seem that he realized much could be gained from the abolition of the state land office.

"Michigan," said Mr. Carlton, "has been a state of the first magnitude. There is no other good reason for the abolition of the office, other than the fact that the work of the department is practically done."

In all probability an effort will be made at the next session of the legislature to strengthen the arson laws of the state.

Everything was done to remove from the expedition anything savouring of political or territorial occupation.

It has cost the state considerable money to prosecute arson cases and the results have been disappointing.

Former Insurance Commissioner Palmigiano always claimed that there was an organized gang of firebugs in Michigan and that an organized gang of firebugs was operating to beat the insurance companies.

Proposed laws that the 1915 legislature will be asked to pass were Saturday introduced by the joint penology commission, composed of the state superintendent and wardens of the penal institutions, the pardon board and the secretary of the state board of corrections and charities.

The report of the medical superintendent shows that 376 tubercular patients were admitted to the hospital during the past year and one-fourth of them came from the counties of Wayne and Genesee.

Warden Simpson and the Jackson prison board of control are planning to establish an artificial lake on the prison stock farm.

As a soldier and civilian he has fought in northern China, and is strong in the opinion of the British cabinet among the settlers of British Columbia supporting the rigors of the Canadian winter.

Edwin Kostin, candidate for lieutenant governor on the socialist ticket, will not have his name printed on the ballot.

Berlin and Paris Reports Agree That Positions are Practically Unchanged.

WITNESS TELLS OF FIGHTING

Battle in the Northwest Described by Correspondent of London Paper.

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HESSIAN PRINCE SHOT IN BACK, SAY ALLIES

By HAROLD ASHTON. (International News Service.)

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DRIVEN BACK FROM WARSAW

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MONROE DOCTRINE WINS RESPECT OF GERMANY

New York.—In the course of the first three weeks of the European war Germany through Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador in Washington, communicated to Secretary of State Bryan the official assurance of the German government that no matter what happened in Europe as a result of the present conflict Germany would respect the Monroe

INDIAN SOLDIERS IN WINTER

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