

Mrs. Caroline Olsen, a Seattle sufferer from cancer, caused a sensation in the county courthouse there by purchasing Superior Court Judge John V. Malm. She had lost a case before the jurist.

RAILROAD BOARD SENDS INSPECTOR

INVESTIGATORS OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES START TOUR IN THUMB SECTION.

WILL USE AN AUTOMOBILE

R. R. Darwin of the Michigan Railroad Commission and R. J. Day expect to cover Towns North of Port Huron.

Lansing.—R. R. Darwin, chief rate inspector of the Michigan railroad commission, left for Port Huron today for a three-day tour of the transportation bureau of Detroit board of commerce, and to accompany him on a tour of the Thumb district is to make an investigation of transportation facilities in the district north of Port Huron, much of it in territory traversed by lines of the Pere Marquette railroad.

The investigation shows numerous complaints, which are said to have been made to members of the wholesalers and manufacturers' bureau of the Detroit board of commerce, when they made a three-day tour of the Thumb section, two weeks ago. The Detroit party, it was told, were one of the principal reasons why merchants and manufacturers of their town do not receive a larger proportion of the trade of merchants in the Thumb, is because shipments from Detroit are routed by way of Saginaw to Port Huron, with consequent vexatious delays in delivery.

To Lecture Throughout State.

The regents appointed a committee for the university extension work which will be taken up this winter, with 300 lectures throughout the state. It is a work intended to bring the university to the people who cannot come to it. The university will furnish the lecturers from the faculty and all the expense to be borne by the towns where lectures are given will be the amount of the arrangement of the programs, a committee will attempt to furnish lectures that will interest the greatest number of people, including lectures on forestry, art and health.

The regents refused to grant a petition presented by City Health Officer Breakey that a patient suffering from spinal meningitis might be placed in the university contagious disease ward. The patient was Dr. Griffin of Ann Arbor, a graduate of the university, and for several years a prominent specialist in eye, ear, nose and throat diseases. There is but one bed in the special building at the university hospital for the patient, and the regents dared not place the room at the disposal of a patient who could be cared for elsewhere.

The first application of New York city employees for pensions under the new law providing pensions for those who have served thirty years or more in the city, was made before the board of estimate. The men are retired on half pay.

Sporting

The Philadelphia Athletics are champions of the world for the second successive year. In an exhibition of batting seldom seen in a professional baseball series, the American league team defeated New York in the sixth game of the set by the overwhelming score of 13 to 2, thus giving them the four necessary games out of the six played to carry off baseball's greatest honor.

Harry H. Davis, first baseman of the world's champion Athletics and lieutenant of Connie Mack, their manager, has signed a new contract with the Cleveland team of the American league in 1912.

Personal

The marriage of Miss Fola La Follette, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Robert M. La Follette, and George Middleton of New York, took place in the La Follette home in Washington, D. C. Only the families of the bridegroom and a few intimate friends were present.

Larry Anderson, the Washington and Pittsburg millionaire, died from New York with Mrs. Anderson on La Providence, en route to New York, en route to Belgium, in which he succeeds Charles Pego Bryan.

William J. Bryan, at South St. Paul, Minn., says the trusts wish for Supreme justice in place of Harlan. They have all the rest of the bench.

Foreign

Paris dressmakers have suffered a severe loss in trade because of currency devaluation. American orders following the strict enforcement of customs regulations at United States ports.

SUMMARY OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

Latest News of Interest Bounced Down for the Busy Man.

Italian-Turkish War

Sixty thousand Turkish and Arabs are pressing back the Italian lines around the city of Tripoli and the inhabitants of the town fear an attack at any moment and a massacre if the movement is successful. Italian newspapers either publish subjects in Tripoli are asking for warships to protect them.

According to a news agency dispatch received in London, Tripoli which escaped Italian censorship, the situation of Tripoli is serious. European residents fear a massacre, as a holy war has been proclaimed by the natives.

Domestic

The Atlantic squadron, 102 vessels, with a combined displacement of 677,599 tons, assembled in New York harbor to be reviewed by Secretary of the Navy Meyer. At the same time the Pacific fleet of 24 vessels assembled at Los Angeles.

Mrs. Laura Stannard was found not guilty at Ontonagon, Mich., of murdering her husband, Charles S. Stannard of Greenland, last March by strychnine poisoning. The jury was out one hour and ten minutes.

The pope will create seventeen cardinals at the consistory to be held November 27. Most Rev. John M. Farley, archbishop of New York, and Most Rev. William H. O'Connor, archbishop of Boston, are among those who will receive the red hat. Mgr. Diomedeo Falconio, apostolic delegate at Washington, also will be elevated.

Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor of the New York World and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, died Sunday morning of the most powerful journalistic forces in America, died suddenly aboard his yacht, "The Liberty," at Charleston, S. C. Heart failure, following an illness of 48 hours, is given as the cause of death.

By large majorities two Ohio counties shifted from the "dry" column as a result of elections held in Scioto and Lawrence counties, including the cities of Portsmouth and Ironton.

The federal department of justice started an investigation at Indianapolis of the so-called McNamara dynamiting cases. A subpoena has been served upon Frank P. Baker, county prosecutor, to appear before the grand all evidence seized in a raid on the offices here of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers at the time of the arrest of John J. McNamara.

President Taft spent his first day in Chicago addressing the American Mining Congress, luncheon with the Chicago Bar association, dedicating the Great Lakes training station at Lake Bluff and attending the annual banquet of the Chicago Association of Commerce.

Following close upon the institution of the federal government's prosecution of the Steel trust, President Taft, speaking to a Chicago audience, announced his determination to enforce the anti-trust law to the letter, against every monopoly or other unlawful combination.

At the concluding session of the annual conference of the sanitary officers of the state of New York Dr. St. Nicholas Medical Research, declared that as a result of many experiments with serum he was able to state that epidemics of spinal meningitis can now be controlled.

Samuel M. Butler, chairman of the American Automobile association and one of the best known men in the United States, was taken to the hospital about three miles south of Tifton, Ga., when the car in which he was riding was overturned in a ditch. P. J. Walker of San Francisco and his wife were badly injured.

Capt. Klaus Larson of Detroit made his second Niagara river trip from the catamaran to Lewiston in a motor launch 16 feet 6 inches long. He completed the 16-mile trip through the turbulent rapids in 26 minutes, coming through without a scratch.

The Progressive Republicans campaign committee, which is publishing from Washington for the nomination of Senator La Follette for the presidency, is arranging to meet the demands from various states for Progressive Republican orders.

Farming Centre in Public School, Having been a farmer for some years, a member of the State Grange and a public servant who has always taken an active interest in agricultural affairs, Secretary of State Frederick C. Murphy says that there are few things that will work for the betterment of the commonwealth and generally improve conditions in Michigan than the efforts of the agricultural men and development associations to further the movement of "back to the farm," and that farming in the district schools.

An chairman of the public domain commission and as a member of the state immigration commission, Secretary of State Murphy has had abundant opportunity to study conditions in Michigan at close range. During the past few months the public domain and the immigration commissions have redoubled their efforts to bring to the attention of the people the opportunities that lie in wait for those who are willing to take up their abode in the northern counties.

However, Mr. Murphy says that his years of experience lead him to believe that the most effective plan would be followed if the farmer is to continue as the great producing agency of the nation in years to come.

"We have an agricultural college, generally conceded to be the best in the country, where our farmers' sons are taught to till the soil in a scientific manner, and it is one of our institutions that Michigan could least afford to be without," said Secretary Murphy. "But wouldn't it be a better scheme and would not the results be more effective in the long run, if the children of our farmers received the rudiments were introduced into the district school and made a part of the curriculum together with reading, writing and arithmetic?"

Oil Tank Cars Must Pay Tax

Judge West, in a decision handed down in the circuit court, upholds the right of the state to tax the tank cars of the oil refining companies which are sent into this state. The tax involved amounted to \$170 in this case, but \$3,000 in the taxes of other corporations are covered by the decision, and the victory is an important one for the state.

The Germania Refining company and the Independent Refining company of Pennsylvania applied to the court for an injunction to prevent the tax assessed against these corporations by the state board of assessors. The corporations contended that the tax assessed against their property was an unconstitutional tax and should not be enforced, for the reason that the law relates solely to corporations engaged in the business of owning, leasing, and operating their cars in this state, and that the law does not apply to the cars of the refineries which are used for transporting products into this state, and that the statute makes no distinction between the cars of the refineries for their own use and those carrying for others for hire.

Money Needed to Educate Farmers.

President J. L. Sweeney of the Agricultural college expressed much interest in the interview given by Vice-President Patriarche of the Pere Marquette railroad, in which the latter urged that more attention be given to the state that the production may be increased and improved. Discussing Mr. Patriarche's statements, President Sweeney said:

"Mr. Patriarche, like every other wide-awake citizen, sees the necessity of doing something to increase the agricultural output from Michigan farms. Consumption is rapidly overtaking the production, and we must do with the high cost of living. If people here are to feed five years hence as they are at the present day, the farms of Michigan must produce practically as much as they do at the present time.

The college has for a number of years been awake to this condition and it has made every effort practical, with the funds provided by the legislature, to increase the production of farm products. The college now, with funds sorely needed for other purposes, keeps in the field three men, who are organizing breeding associations, carrying on spraying demonstrations and in various other ways encouraging the farmers to use better methods.

Wants Public Places Disinfected.

Dr. Robert L. Dixon, secretary of the state board of health, has issued a warning to disinfest all school rooms at least once a month during the winter. In the circular letter which he is sending out the doctor asks that schoolhouses, public halls, theaters, etc., also receive an occasional disinfection. Michigan has no state law regulating the disinfecting of schools, churches and places of public gathering.

Building Associations Show Gain.

The annual report of the building and loan associations of Michigan for the year ending June 30, 1911, issued by Secretary of State Frederick C. Murphy, will show an increase in the gross assets of \$1,985,091.37, or over ten per cent, which is the largest gain made in many years. The total assets reported are \$20,191,914.07, an increase in the past year of \$2,068,198.67.

CHINESE THRONE WIELDS DEMANDS

CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT IS CONCEDED WHEN ARMY AND NAVY THREATEN.

THE SLAUGHTER AT HANKOW WAS APPALLING.

China's Yielding to Rebels May Be Too Late to End Revolt; Preparations for Defense Made.

Victory has crowned the revolutionary movement in China and by an implied decree the demands of the Young China movement, as advocated by the national assembly, are met by the ruling Manchus. Secretary of State Murphy has granted an immediate constitution, with a cabinet from which the Manchus are excluded, and a free pardon for the rebels and all political offenders.

Whether cooler counsels among the insurgent leaders will prevail and the anti-Manchu movement will halt with the government's concessions, or whether the radical element of the Young China party will fly over the red and navy will be determined.

Manchus Concede Everything.

The state of terror which has taken possession of the entire imperial court was further increased by long lists of edicts supplementing the remarkable proclamation conceding constitutional government and offering further concessions of the most radical character.

Edicts indicate that even though the dynasty survives, Manchu rule is at an end. The transfer even of the cabinet offices to native Chinese is ordered, and the throne swears that "hereafter Manchus and Chinese shall be regarded equally," meaning that the elaborate system of Manchu pensions which are now paid to practically every member of the race will be abolished. The Manchus left to earn a living by their own enterprise.

All edicts, like the first one, are written in the third person, are couched in the most guarded and dignified style and are apparently a device adopted by the throne's advisers in a pathetic attempt to create among people a feeling of personal loyalty for their sovereign.

Federal Control of Railroads.

The supreme court, by an opinion of Justice Brandeis, has unanimously upheld the constitutionality of the safety appliance act of March, 1907, Compromise country by the interstate commerce commission and virtual elimination of the state commissions from such control.

The case was argued at the last term of the court. It arose in the United States district court for the fourth district at Baltimore. The government proceeded against the Southern railway in a civil action to recover penalties for the failure of that corporation to equip certain cars with safety appliances. The railroad defended on the ground that three of the cars were thrown in Indiana and much to do with the high cost of living. If people here are to feed five years hence as they are at the present day, the farms of Michigan must produce practically as much as they do at the present time.

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Armistice Talked Of.

It is reported that the Turkish government has received telegraphic offers offering an armistice preparatory to negotiating for peace in the favorable Turkey. The report has not been officially confirmed.

What threatened to be serious relations between Colombia and Peru apparently has been averted by an apology by the Colombian government for the station of the Peruvian legation at Bogota recently.

In Fall Brook, Col., where the vote was two to one for the enfranchisement of women, it is announced that of the first 20 women to register 19 registered as Prohibitionists. The precinct will vote of the "wet" and "dry" proposition Nov. 7.

Frank V. Sandworski's followers on the cruise from southern waters occurred when John Bolter, one of the men taken on the Standard yacht Coronet, Portland Me., died at the marine hospital from scurvy. It is alleged that lack of food on board the Coronet contributed to the fatal result of the disease.

CANADA'S IMMENSE WHEAT FIELDS

THE ATTRACTION FOR THREE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAYS.

Last August there visited the Canadian west the vice-president of the largest individual hardware company in the United States. As his firm have a turnover of millions, and deal extensively with farm implements, this man took a deep interest in crop conditions in Canada, and on his return he embodied his findings in an article for the Hardware Reporter. This article should be of special interest to farmers.

The writer speaks of the importance of the spring wheat crop of Western Canada. He also has spoken of the importance of the oat crop and also of the winter wheat crop, as well as barley. Winter wheat during the past few years has been a great success, and experiments have been made, and it is now grown with success in almost any portion of the three provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. But apart from this, the spring wheat crop is the great one, and it is the one that the farmer knows anything of, who has heard of the high character of this cereal and the splendid yields that it can produce. Reproducing from this article:

"In a land of such great sweep, and such difference in soil and climate, there are many resources, but nothing of the same overwhelming importance as the spring wheat crop. In the interminable prairie stretches of the northwest provinces it is the one absolute staple of the growing and its harvesting, for upon its success or failure hangs the well or woe of a large part of the Dominion. Its influence extends far and wide into the United States, drawing thousands of farmers northwards with the lure of cheap lands, but likewise the great lakes, even to the east going maritime provinces, calling to the young men to its opportunities. Development in these prairie provinces goes on at high pressure for everything hangs on the outcome of spring wheat. Success has important crop, and each year there is further incursion into these northern fields that only a short time ago were regarded as Arctic wastes. It is not only the young men to one of these modern agricultural examples set forth to drive the final nail in the coffin of that ancient Malthusian delusion that the world is getting smaller by the means of subsistence, since the only fear now among Canadian economists is as to the danger of overstocking the wheat market. Only about two and one-half per cent of the possible arable lands in the northwest provinces is now under cultivation, and this year the crop promises to be close to 200,000,000 bushels, so that your imagination and your intellect can only supply the answer as to the possible or even probable outcome."

During the months of July and August the weather was unusually good and the production of a 200 million bushels of wheat will not be realized, but even with this, the threshing reports coming to hand show that the crop will be a splendidly paying one.

A Change of Opinion.

"Talk is cheap," chuckled the politician with the telephone frank in his pocket. After talking \$20 worth, he pulled out his frank and found it had expired. "By heck!" he muttered ruefully, "that guy was right when he said that 'silence is golden.'" Judge: We always reported the opinion of a man who kept tight to himself.

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