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If the above be true, why do we have so many unhappy people in the world? The answer is—Men are living largely on a mistake. What is this mistake? The pastor of this church will endeavor to answer this question and then suggest a means by which this mistake may be rectified, in a sermon to be preached next Sunday evening. You are invited to hear it, also to attend the other services of the day.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Themes for January 10th:

10 a. m.—"The Price of Power."

7 p. m.—"A Recipe for Happiness."

WELCOME

In and Around Plymouth

A Holstein cattle show is to be held in Lansing early in June.

Frank Fry, Sr., a resident of Northville for many years is dead.

Oxford's village school district voted to bond for \$15,000 for an addition to the present school building.

150 names were secured for the local option petitions in Lyon township and 96 names in Holly township. The Holly Advertiser gives a full list of the names in last week's issue without comment.

The Andrew Jackson society, of Jackson, was organized January 8, 1864, and on January 8, the members of the society will celebrate the bi-centennial of the organization in a manner fitting the occasion.

Roy Burgess of Redford, who is spending the winter at Miami, Florida, is acting as choir director in that city at the Baptist church, and will produce a cantata in the near future entitled "Star of Promise."

Chas. O. Miller of Lansing, Phil. J. Miller of Walled Lake, and Phil. J. Taylor of Novi, have organized the Walled Lake Land Co., capitalized at \$5,000. They own 22 acres on the shores of Walled Lake which will be put on the market.

A new \$1500 pipe organ was dedicated last Sunday in the Methodist church at Rochester. The organ was a gift to the congregation, the Carnegie corporation having given \$750, John F. Dodge of Detroit \$500 and the organ manufacturers the balance.

John Quackenbush, a brother of Capt. T. V. Quackenbush died at his home in Camden, Hillsdale county, Thursday, December 31, at the age of 87 years. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Quackenbush and daughter Hazel attended the funeral which was held last Saturday.

A bill has been drafted by Judge W. L. Carpenter of Detroit, to extend the system of school teachers' pensions now in force in the Detroit public schools, all over the state. The bill will be presented at the next session of legislature. It is being backed by the Michigan State Teachers association.

The Knights of Pythias, of Pontiac, are completing arrangements whereby they expect to serve 200 dinners once a week to the poor and deserving children of that city. As the lodge expects to continue the dinners throughout the winter this will be one of the most practical ways we have seen yet of being "Good fellows."

We have been requested to make note of the ruthless slaughter of rabbits on the part of a few hunters who are making a business of supplying the city market. It is claimed that they are using ferrets contrary to law and are practically cleaning out the "bunnies" from this locality. Those nimrods who are hunting legally find difficulty in getting any game.

Surprised Them

Rose Gates was agreeably surprised last Tuesday evening when about fifty neighbors and friends gathered at his home to remind him that it was his thirtieth birthday. The host was the recipient of several nice gifts. Cards and music furnished the entertainment of the evening, and dainty refreshments were served.

About thirty relatives and friends gathered at the home of Conrad Springer last week Thursday evening in remembrance of his eightieth birthday which would occur the following day. The little German band was present dressed in costume, and gave several fine selections. The evening was enjoyed in a social way. Mayor Hillmer and State Representative Edward Gayde were called on for remarks and responded with short talks. Refreshments were served, and at a late hour the guests returned home wishing Mr. Springer many more happy birthdays. The out of town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown, Mrs. Steve Stevens and Mrs. James Stewart and children of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Addison and children of Toledo, and Roscoe Reeves of Chicago.

Painful

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Bentley Bros. Store at Elm Robbed

Bentley Bros. general store at Elm was broken into at an early hour on New Year's morning. The thief gained an entrance by breaking the glass in the front door and prying loose one of the iron bars that are fastened across the glass on the outside of the door. Four pairs of shoes valued at \$2.50 per pair, twenty jack knives, two suits of underwear, two watches, two pairs of \$1.00 gloves, over shoes and what change was left in the money drawer was stolen.

Deputy Sheriff Springer was notified of the robbery as soon as it was discovered and took charge of the case. A pair of gloves was left behind by the robber when he left the store, and these were recognized as having belonged to one Alfred F. McPhee, a young man who had been hanging around Elm for several weeks working at odd jobs for several farmers and to whom suspicion pointed very strongly. Officer Springer notified the Detroit officers to be on the lookout for McPhee and he was arrested in a second hand store on Michigan Ave., Saturday morning, where he had disposed of some of the goods. Deputy Sheriff Springer and Clyde Bentley recovered nearly all of the stolen goods in four different second hand stores on Michigan Ave. McPhee was brought out from Detroit Monday afternoon by Officer Springer and arraigned before Justice Campbell. He waived examination and was bound over to the circuit court for trial. He acknowledged to the officers that he was the guilty party. It is said that McPhee is wanted at Mt. Pleasant, Mich., for the alleged theft of a motorcycle some time ago.

Watch-Night Banquet

The Live-Wire Society of Tonquish, every live organization in the city, held its annual New Year's banquet on the evening of December 31, at the residence of Roy Lane. About 80 people sat down to a splendid repast of roast chicken and all the good things that go with a four course banquet. Edgar Harehberger, the president, made a fine speech outlining the work of the organization during the past year. Rev. Joseph Dutton addressed the company, and at the close of his remarks, on behalf of the Live-Wires, presented Mr. Harehberger with a very fine diamond stickpin as a mark of the society's appreciation of their president's faithful performance of his duties. Miss Mabel Newell of Ann Arbor, sang two beautiful solos, and the Grange band in charge of Wm. Harmon, played many fine numbers. George Miller played the violin as the old year faded into the new. The company dispersed congratulating themselves upon a happy time.

Eastern Stars Enjoy Pleasant Meeting

A pleasant meeting of the O. E. S. was held in Masonic hall last week Thursday evening. About one hundred members and guests were present. Several candidates were initiated into the Order, after which a fine banquet was served. Decorations in Yuletide colors brightened the rooms and poinsettias made the tables in the dining room attractive. After the banquet a short program and a social time was enjoyed until the dawn of the New Year.

That Husband of Mine

The second in the popular Sunday evening series on Home Life.

7 O'clock Sun., Jan. 10
METHODIST CHURCH
W. B. DUTCH, Pastor

Women Killed in Oil Explosion

Mrs. George Franklin, of Canton township is dead as the result of an explosion of oil to start a fire in the kitchen stove Wednesday morning at an early hour. Mrs. Franklin, who with her husband resided on the William Franklin farm near Sheldons was getting ready to prepare the morning breakfast, while her husband was at the barn doing the chores, when he noticed a bright light in the kitchen, and hurrying to the house found his wife's clothing nearly burned off and her body terribly burned from the effects of which she died that afternoon at 2 o'clock. The terrible accident and its sad ending is an awful shock to Mrs. Franklin's relatives and many friends in Canton township.

Business Men's Club Elect New Officers

At the annual meeting of the Business Men's Club, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President—W. H. Hoyt. Vice President—W. T. Conner. Sec'y-Treas.—Asa Joy.

The funeral of Mrs. Mark Risher occurred at Schrader Bros. chapel last Saturday morning at ten o'clock. Rev. B. F. Farber conducting the services. Interment at Northville. The deceased is survived by her husband and two small children, besides other near relatives.

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"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm tender stomach, liver and bowels.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs" that this is their ideal laxative, because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without griping.

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Rash Wish Regretted.
Once when Strickland Gillilan was lecturing at the home of "Tama Jim" Wilson (Tama, Ia.) the afternoon was dark in the big Chautauqua pavilion, and the speaker was in almost total eclipse.

"Taffy" Sears, a fellow-lecturer, standing near the back of the building, heard a woman whisper:

"My! I wish they'd turn on the footlights so we could see his face!"

Pretty soon the lights flashed up, she caught a good look at the homely and expressionless mug of him, and she exclaimed far more fervently:

"My! I wish they'd turn out those footlights!"—Judge.

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AGONY AMONG THE MARSHES VIVIDLY PICTURED BY NOTED FRENCH WRITER

Describes the Place Where Mighty Armies Clashed in Death Struggle as "the Kingdom of Desolation"—Prussian Soldier, Wounded to the Death, Pens Farewell Letter Full of Subtle and Very Beautiful Emotions

By MAURICE BARRES of the French Academy.

The other evening, leaving the trenches of the first line, we went about to press the hands of our soldiers through the shelters flanking the hill, where they came every three days to lie. And then, after I had seen a little teasing of the Prussians, I was led into a little wood, 300 meters distant from their line. One of them was stationed in advance, standing between two apple trees. We looked at him. He gazed back at us. And no one on either side moved.

Twilight was descending. Between that man and us lay the bodies of dead men which could not be gathered up. I shall never forget the sinister spot, and the harmony between living beings and landscape. Is it possible that our rich plains have come to such desolation; that the best, morally and physically, of France, are hidden in these kennels of beasts, and that ideas of hate and of death alone occupy the minds of the millions of individuals who face each other along this immense line of battle? Of what dreams that Prussian before me, as he watches me through the mist of evening? He thinks of annihilating me, and I in the same way, think of destroying him. These are circumstances in which the most particular spirit loses its identity in all the others, in which no soul is kept apart. That duty is evident, certain. But how deep do its roots strike down into darkness!

Facts and Mysteries.

In vain did my companion—no one better experienced in the affairs of this war—continue to give me interesting details by the thousand. Behind the facts there raises itself a barrier of mystery. And while we went back through the stretch of country to which this campaign has come, I never ceased to ponder upon it.

From time to time we came upon people of our side, cooking in the little hollows of the plain. They were laughing, chatting among themselves. Then we went on again into the silence and into the thickening night. That ending of our visit to the advance posts resembled a return of late hunters in autumn, but mingled with it was an extraordinary disquiet of heart. Never have I known such a vital feeling of brotherhood as on that journey; never a more profound sense of the mystery in which our existence is bathed.

All around us now there reigned unimaginable silence, and one distinguished object 50 paces away with ulcidity.

"Be careful!" said my companion to me. "You have the river on your left."

We arrived finally at a point where the plain is cut away abruptly into a deep valley, and leaning over, I saw far below me, at the foot of the cliff on which we stood, little pools still beneath tall poplars. Their waters shone with a sinister light through the rifts of a shroud of fog. Mournful vapors rose and grouped themselves in great moving masses.

"There," I said, "is the Kingdom of Desolation."

Wounded Man on the Marshes.
During five days we had seen and had listened to a wounded German, whom no one could relieve. He was one of a patrol upon which we fired. His comrades had saved themselves without a thought of carrying him with them. The poor devil lay there with a broken thigh. As you can see, it was not easy to go hunting for him in those ravines and concealed marshes. At last, on the fifth day, we were able to carry him to our ambulance, where he died, thanking us.

You will be interested, I believe, in the emotions which animated that German, wounded and abandoned.

What emotions?

Very subtle and quite beautiful. One hour afterward, when we had arrived at our quarters, and, before everything else, even before I had rid myself of my uniform and of the mud which clung to me to the shoulders, I asked my friendly guide to mark our course for me on a chart, and then to give me the last message of the Prussian of the marshes.

The Letter of Farewell.
Here is the page upon which are mingled, in startling manner, the mists of Germany and of the French valley, which he with his companions came to desolate. I have changed nothing. I have transcribed exactly the final written pages of the little notebook which he carried in his pocket:

"It that be the will of the All-Powerful, let this be my last farewell. A French ball struck me while on patrol. It wounded me in the right knee in such a way that I can no longer walk. It is now five days that I have been in this obscure forest. I can no longer endure my hunger, which up to now I have appeased with water. Often I have implored God to send me aid. None has come to this hour. Meanwhile, I rest resigned; I am not impatient, because it is not for long. Then I shall be again in my Fatherland, at home, with my brothers, in that beautiful country, where we may reach

each other new hands anew, beside streams of silver and crystal. "Farewell, farewell; here on earth or beyond there, in the light. "Signed, Wilhelm Baumer."

This is what he wrote in the silence of death, his eyes, bright with fever, turned to the heavens—the Prussian soldier, Wilhelm Baumer. And at the moment, as I transcribe that strange paper, full of delirium and of religious fervor, I see again that sky without a moon which, the other evening, stretched solemnly above those marshes. What Germanic thought transported that invader upon the border of a French river? Do the furies of the Rhine accompany these barbarians? Did the water-nymph weep beside him, when he was abandoned by his brothers? Did she dry his face with her green tresses? One thing is certain, that he was picked up and cared for by the generosity of the French.

Gods of Germans and French.
What is it that I wish to prove by this short quotation? Nothing precisely in the order of logic. It is an impression which occupies my mind and which I have retained from among a thousand impressions of the field of battle. Perhaps I shall not find, in the haste of my work of the day, the words to express all that it holds of emotion. But it is manifest to me, that, among all the horrors which the Germans have come to create methodically in our country, we continue, on our side as well, the one and the other, to be accompanied by our gods, as a man is followed by his shadow.

The profound instinct which breathed in that rider of the North takes form, finds words. Near to death beneath the poplars of France, his spirit already half-separated from his body, he returned to the vague poetry of the Germans. He drew away from his labor of the field of battle. And we, too, we French, have also a reserve force, which completes and makes perfect our warlike valiance. I mean that generosity which drives us to risk our lives to succor an enemy disarmed and in agony.—Translated for the New York Evening Post, by Malcolm W. Davis.

EATING HASTY LUNCH



Belgian soldiers taking out time for a bite during an engagement in Belgium.

HONOR FOR BRITISH FLYERS

Belfort Garrison is Paraded to Welcome Raiders of the Friedrichshafen Sheds.

London.—The Chronicle's Paris correspondent Naylor telegraphs: "When the two British aviators who made the raid on the German Zeppelin sheds at Friedrichshafen returned to Belfort, they were received with acclamations by the French troops."

"The next day all the troops in the garrison were paraded and in their presence the general in command congratulated the airmen and handed each of them the Cross of the Legion of Honor. A telegram from Zurich says their feat has caused alarm throughout Germany."

GERMANS ADVISED TO SAVE

Commerce Minister Warns People to Be Sparing With Their Grain.

Paris.—The Amsterdam Handelsblad says the Prussian minister of commerce has issued a proclamation which says that although Germany is well provided with grain the people should not waste it.

"The enemy," the minister says, "are trying to starve Germany as if it were a fortress. Therefore, be sparing of your bread. Remember that the soldiers would be glad to have on the field of battle the bread you waste."

HATRED FOR ENGLAND BITTER

State of Mind of Germans Toward Enemy is Eloquently Shown in Paper's Announcement.

Berlin.—Eloquent of the German state of mind toward England and everything English since the war began is a solemn announcement contained in the well-known German comic paper Fliegende Blätter. The editors inform their readers that they have received numerous letters protesting

against the word "copyright" which appears on the title page. A patriotic management (they add) feels bound to explain that this does not imply the existence of any sort of relation between Fliegende Blätter and the British government; that it has, in fact, nothing to do with England. The objectionable expression is employed for the sake of the circulation of the paper in America, because only in this fashion is it possible to prevent the printing of text and pictures. For that reason and for that reason only the

BEREAVED BY THE WAR



Wife and child of a French reservist who was killed during one of the engagements in the Argoonne. Jean Pedelotier, the husband and father, was head waiter in a New York hotel at the outbreak of the war.

LAUDS THE BANTAM SOLDIER

British Medical Journal Says the Little Fellows Are Good for French Work.

London.—That little men have many advantages in war time over their bigger brothers is an argument advanced in the British Medical Journal. After expressing the view that 30,000 have been lost to the army in the last few weeks owing to the present high standard, the journal says:

"Not a little is to be said in favor of short infantry. Short men occupy less room in transport. They find cover more easily and offer a smaller mark to bullets and shrapnel. They are better sheltered in trenches and require to dig less deep trenches to protect themselves.

"It takes less khaki to clothe them and less leather to boot them. The army blanket covers them more amply and they need much less food than tall, thin men to keep up their body heat and maintain their marching energy."

"Those who stand the rigors of cold climates are not always big men and the sailor, like the wind-swept tree on the coast, may be a short man. Warmth and easy conditions of life rather tend to the development of tall men."

"The cavalry and artillerymen require to be big and powerful, but as to those who burrow in the trenches, how can it matter whether they are four feet nine or five feet six? We are not out for a show and a parade, but to win a war of sieges and attrition."

SQUADRONS LOSE EVERY MAN

Russian Paper Praises Heroism of Hungarian Cavalry in Desperate Skirmish.

Petrograd.—The Russkoye Slovo has an account of a skirmish, east of Luck, between Russian hussars and Hungarian cavalry, in which two Hungarian squadrons were cut down to the last man. The paper, in speaking of the marvelous bravery of the enemy, says: "The Hungarians faced certain death, but fought like lions and wielded their sabers as if they were axes. One Hungarian officer, a handsome fellow, struggled on desperately, even when our hussars literally lifted him into the air with their lances. The wounded resisted to their dying breath, emptying their revolvers and striking at the legs of our horses. Four hundred fell to the last man. Such behavior changed our opinion of the Hungarians."

WILL HURL MOLTEN STEEL

Hammond, Jr., Invents Projectile That Scatters White Hot Metal and Deadly Gas.

Gloucester, Mass.—A new type of projectile which would scatter a white-hot mixture of molten steel over the object of attack and at the same time permeate the atmosphere with a deadly gas which would make it impossible for fire fighters to approach, has been invented by John Hays Hammond, Jr., according to a statement made by the inventor.

The new missile may soon appear in the European war, as some of the belligerent nations are now negotiating for its purchase, he said. The United States government at present is conducting experiments with the new projectile at Sandy Hook, he added.

The missile is designed for use in steeple gans as an aid in destroying towns and dirigible balloons.

Life of a Big Gun.

London.—What is the life of the big guns that are playing so great a part in this war? A big naval gun is used up after firing a hundred rounds. After a hundred rounds the rifling of the core or lining of the gun is destroyed, by hot gases from the explosive, not, as one might suppose, by the friction of the shell.

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"What for?" demanded the soldier.

"Well, it's the rule, and I can't pay you the money until you do indorse it," he was told.

"Oh, all right!" grumbled the messenger. So he took back the check and bit the end of a pen in deep meditation for a minute or two. Then he wrote this:

"I beg to say that I have known Lord Roberts for several years, and he has proved himself, times without number, to be as brave as a lion, but always kindly considerate to those who serve under him. And I have, therefore, great pleasure in respectfully indorsing his check."

STOP EATING MEAT IF KIDNEYS OR BACK HURT

Take a Glass of Salts to Clean Kidneys if Bladder Bothers You—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

Eating meat regularly eventually produces kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish; clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

The moment your back hurts or kidneys aren't acting right, or if bladder bothers you, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity; also to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts cannot injure anyone; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then to keep the kidneys and urinary organs clean, thus avoiding serious kidney disease.—Adv.

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Local News

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CHURCH NEWS

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METHODIST

Rev. Joseph Dutton, Pastor. 10 o'clock a. m. public worship. 1:30 Sunday-school. 6 p. m. Epworth League. 7 o'clock public worship. Subject of the second in the special series on Home Life, "That Husband of Mine." Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7 o'clock. BIBLE STUDENTS. Two phases of the kingdom again, or God's great "oath bound covenant." Gen. 12:3; 18:18; 22:18; 28:4; 31:14; Ps. 72:17; Gal. 3:8, 16, 29; Heb. 8:14. It is in this wonderful great oath bound covenant between the great God Jehovah of the first part, and our forefather Abraham of the second part that caused many bible students to pause and consider. What was the proposition? That in or through a certain seed all the families of the earth were due for a blessing rather than the curse of them should be damned in indescribable agonies forever. Here is a most wonderful promise made to man one of God's most noble creations based upon an oath. Did this great Jehovah bind himself with an oath to man, his creature? Such is the case, who was the oath with Himself (Heb. 8:13). Why himself? Because there was none greater. Why did Jehovah take such an oath? That we his creatures thousands of years after when considering such a gigantic proposition as the blessing of all families of the earth, especially after being taught different for centuries by the conflicting creeds of men might have strong consolation (verse 18) and take courage and still believe in and worship the true God. Notice, "In thee and thy seed (one phase, the heavenly) shall all the families of earth (the earth or earthly phase) be blessed."

Commissioner's Notice

In the matter of the estate of Frederick M. Ray deceased. We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the probate court for the county of Wayne, State of Michigan, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at W. W. Murray's Store in the village of Plymouth, Michigan, in said County, on Thursday, the 11th day of February, A. D. 1915, and on Saturday, the 13th day of April, A. D. 1915, at 2 o'clock P. M. of each of said days, for the purpose of receiving and allowing said claims and that four months from the 11th day of December, A. D. 1914, were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance. Dated Dec. 11, 1914. CHARLES W. BRADNER, D. O. TILLOTSON, Commissioners.

Notice To Water Takers!

RULE 14.—Water Rates shall be due and payable semi-annually in advance at the office of the Village Treasurer, on the first days of January and July of each year, unless otherwise provided for in the schedule rates. If rates are not paid in 30 days after due the water will be turned off. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED IN THE FUTURE. I will be at Pinckney's Pharmacy during the month of January on Monday afternoons and evenings for the collection of water bills. I can be found at Todd Bros. store at other times than the time above mentioned. Robt. Todd, Village Treasurer.

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LETTER FROM THE STATE CAPITOL

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NO RECEPTION OR CONCERT

Firing of Seventeen Guns is Only Formality As Governor Ferris Takes Oath For Second Term.

[By GURD M. HAYES.]

Lansing—Official Lansing witnessed the quietest inauguration in the history of the state when Governor Woodbridge N. Ferris took the oath of office...

It was the desire of Governor Ferris that the ceremony be conducted as quietly as possible and the other state officials willingly concurred.

Two years ago when Governor Ferris was inaugurated for the first time the event was fittingly observed by loyal democrats from all sections of the state...

After Justice Brooke had sworn in the governor, Luren D. Dickinson was duly inaugurated as lieutenant governor.

Aside from Lieut. Gov. Dickinson, Coleman C. Vaughan of St. Johns was the only other new state officer to be sworn in Friday.

State Treasurer John W. Haarer of Ann Arbor Friday began his second term as custodian of the state's strong box.

Auditor-General O. B. Fuller was the veteran in the field of starters Friday. This is the fourth time that O. B. Fuller has stood before a justice of the supreme court...

Attorney-General Grant Fellows of Hudson, who received the largest plurality of any of the candidates on the republican state ticket at the November election began his second term Friday.

Radical changes are proposed in the method of administering the health laws by the state board of health and the recommendations adopted at the recent meeting of the board will be presented to the legislature in the form of bills.

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There will be but one change in the deputyship this year. George L. Luak of Bay City, who is well known in tenth district politics, becomes deputy secretary of state to succeed D. H. Mills of Hillsdale.

Deputy State Treasurer Frank Gorman of Sanilac will continue in his present position under Treasurer Haarer.

Like his chief, Andrew Dougherty of Elk Rapids, the deputy attorney general who was appointed when Ferris took the oath of office two years ago, is a bachelor.

Deputy Auditor General George Houser of Charlotte has been in the department for many years and was promoted from chief clerk to the deputyship when Nathan F. Simpson resigned four years ago to become warden at Jackson prison.

Edward R. Swett, of Muskegon, was named as first friend. The parole allows Jones his freedom on the condition he makes a report to the first friend the first of each month.

At a recent meeting of the state board of health a ruling was made that no information concerning the records of the state laboratory should be given out unless such action is authorized by the secretary.

However, it is believed that this order will be modified to some extent as complications may arise if the ruling is carried out to the letter.

There was a case not long ago when State Bacteriologist M. L. Holm testified for the prosecution as a result of a certain analysis made by him in a poisoning case.

It is pointed out that it is unfair for members of the board of health to be in possession of official records made for the prosecution when some member of the board may appear for the defense.

According to statistics compiled by Secretary of State Martindale 2,377 deaths were caused by cancer in Michigan last year, as compared to 1,460 deaths from the same cause in 1900.

Some statisticians contend that in reality there has been no marked increase in deaths from cancer but that deaths from this source are more accurately reported by physicians.

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STRONG GERMAN TERRITORY TAKEN BY THE FRENCH

STEINBACH TAKEN AFTER A VIOLENT SEIGE AND DESPERATE FIGHTING.

THE FALL OF CERNAY IS EXPECTED SHORTLY

The Fall of Steinbach is of Strategic Importance As An Advantage to the Surrounding Country.

London—Both Paris and Berlin report the capture by the French of the town of Steinbach, Alsace, where desperate fighting has been in progress for several days.

Berlin admitted the loss of the town in its afternoon report, making it appear that the enemy had occupied the place Monday night, but Paris did not report the complete capture of the disputed point until Tuesday, saying it had been occupied.

Alsace Now Center of Interest. Although advices tell of vigorous fighting at other points on both the eastern and western battle fronts, Alsace has become the immediate center of interest because it is the only point in German territory, except East Prussia, where there has been any fighting at all.

As has been stated in these dispatches, Steinbach itself is of no great importance, but the positions surrounding it are of the utmost advantage to whatever troops hold them.

The Paris communique also states that the German works west of Cernay, which were captured by the French on Sunday and regained by the Germans a few hours later, were again taken by the French after a violent engagement.

Steinbach Taken After Hard Fighting.

In the taking of Steinbach the French fought desperately for four days, and Monday half of the town was in their possession. Every foot of ground was so bitterly contested that the losses were extraordinarily severe.

It was the capture of the church in Steinbach that finally gave the victory to the French. This crucial position was taken from the Germans early Monday morning, but late Monday night it was lost again.

At daybreak the last German had been driven back and a few hours later the remaining houses were in possession of the French.

QUARREL RESULTS IN DEATH

Kicking a Dog Leads to Fight Which Ends Fatally.

Gaylord—Don McIntyre, is in jail here charged with the murder of Henry Seiwel, 60 at Chris Johnson's camp, 12 miles east of here, Sunday evening.

A quarrel was precipitated when Seiwel kicked a dog and a remark made by McIntyre so enraged Seiwel that he struck McIntyre with an iron rod.

Seiwel had lived in this county about a dozen years and bore a good reputation. His wife and two children are spending the winter in Florida. A daughter teaches a rural school near here.

BRIEF NEWS OF THE WAR

Ottawa—The Canadian parliament has been called to meet Feb. 4. A short session confined to consideration of war measures is expected.

London—Sunday was a day of prayer throughout England. Special services for the success of the allies were held in all churches of all denominations.

Washington—A resolution authorizing the president to invite all nations to send delegates to a convention to provide for disarmament, for the creation of an international legislature, and for an international army and navy police, was introduced in the house Saturday by Representative Lima.

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MARKET QUOTATIONS

Live Stock, Grain and General Farm Produce.

Live Stock.

DETROIT—Cattle: Receipts, 570; market steady; best heavy steers, \$8 @ \$8.50; best heavy weight butcher steers, \$7 @ \$7.50; mixed steers and heifers, \$6.50 @ \$7.25; heavy light butchers, \$6.50 @ \$7; light butchers, \$5.50 @ \$6.25; best cows, \$5.75 @ \$6; common cows, \$4.25 @ \$4.75; butcher cows, \$5 @ \$5.50; canners, \$3 @ \$4; best heavy bulls, \$6 @ \$6.50; bolonka bulls, \$5.50 @ \$6; stock bulls, \$4.50 @ \$5.

Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 4,517; market steady; best lambs, \$8 @ \$8.25; fair lambs, \$7 @ \$7.75; light to common lambs, \$5.50 @ \$6.75; fair to good sheep, \$4 @ \$4.50; culls and common, \$2.50 @ \$3.50.

Hogs: Receipts, 10,347; market 10c lower; all grades, \$6.90.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle: Receipts, 3,760; market slow, 25 @ 35c lower; choice to prime steers, \$8.75 @ \$9.25; fair to good, \$8.25 @ \$8.50; plain, \$7.75 @ \$8.25; choice heavy butcher steers, \$8.25 @ \$8.50; fair to good, \$7.75 @ \$8; best heavy steers, \$8.25 @ \$8.50; common to good, \$7.25 @ \$8; yearlings, \$9 @ \$9.50; prime heavy heifers, \$7.75 @ \$8; best heavy butchers heifers, \$7.25 @ \$7.50; common to good, \$6 @ \$7; best heavy fat cows, \$6.50 @ \$7; good butcher cows, \$5.75 @ \$6.25; medium to good, \$4.75 @ \$5.50; cutters, \$4.50 @ \$5; canners, \$4 @ \$4.25; best bulls, \$7 @ \$7.25; good butcher bulls, \$6.25 @ \$6.75; sausage bulls, \$5.50 @ \$6; light bulls, \$4.75 @ \$5.25.

Hogs: Receipts, 21,000; market steady; heavy, \$7.35 @ \$7.40; yorkers, \$7.50 @ \$7.60; pigs, \$7.60 @ \$7.75. Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 1,700; lambs 25c lower; sheep steady; top lambs, \$8.50 @ \$8.75; fair to good, \$8 @ \$8.50; yearlings, \$8.50 @ \$9; wethers, \$6 @ \$6.25; ewes, \$4.75 @ \$5.50.

Calves: Receipts, 800; steady; tops, \$12.50; fair to good, \$10.50 @ \$11.50; grassers, \$4 @ \$5.50.

Grains, Etc.

DETROIT—Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, \$1.25; December opened without change @ \$1.27 3/4 and declined to \$1.26; May opened at \$1.32 1/2 and declined to \$1.31; No. 1 white, \$1.23.

Corn—Cash No. 3 69 1/2c; No. 3 yellow, 2c; No. 2 yellow, 69 1/2c; No. 4 yellow, 69 1/2c.

Oats—Standard, 6c; No. 1 white, 5c; No. 2 white, 5c; No. 3 white, 5c; No. 4 white, 5c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, \$1.10. Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$2.65; January, \$2.70; February, \$2.80; May, \$2.85.

Cloverseed—Prime spot, \$9.50; March, \$9.70; sample red, 40 bags at \$9.30 at \$8.60, 20 @ \$8; prime alsike, \$9.30; sample alsike, 15 bags at \$8.50, 12 @ \$7.50.

Timothy—Prime spot, \$3.50. Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$16 @ \$16.50; standard timothy, \$16 @ \$16.50; No. 2 timothy, \$15 @ \$16.50; No. 1 mixed, \$13 @ \$13.50; No. 2 mixed, \$10 @ \$12; No. 1 clover, \$13 @ \$13.50; No. 2 clover, \$10 @ \$12; rye straw, \$7.50 @ \$8; wheat and oat straw, \$7 @ \$7.50 per ton.

Flour—In one-eighth paper sacks, per 196 lbs. jobbing lots: Best patent, \$6.20; second patent, \$5.50; straight, \$5.25; spring patent, \$6.50; rye flour, \$5.80 per bbl.

Feed—In 100-lb. sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$25; standard middlings, \$25; fine middlings, \$32; coarse cornmeal, \$28; cracked corn, \$29; corn and oat chop, \$25 per ton.

General Markets.

Apples—Baldwin, \$2.50 @ \$2.75; Greening, \$2.75 @ \$3; Spy, \$3 @ \$3.25; Steele Red, \$3.50; Ben Davis, \$1.50 @ \$2 per bbl; western apples, \$1.50 @ \$1.70 per bbl; No. 2, 40 @ \$60c per bu.

Rabbits—\$2 per doz. Cabbage—\$1.75 per bbl. Dressed Hogs—Light, 8 1/2 @ 9c; heavy, 7 @ 8c per lb.

Dressed Calves—Fancy, 11 @ 11 1/2c; common, 8 @ 9c per lb. Onions—\$1 per 100 lbs in bulk and \$1.25 per 100 lbs in sacks.

Sweet Potatoes—Jersey kiln-dried, \$1.60 @ \$1.75; hampers, \$1.50. Honey—Choice to fancy new white comb, 15 @ 16c; amber, 10 @ 11c; extracted, 8 @ 9c per lb.

Potatoes—Carlots, 35 @ 38c per bu in bulk and 40c per bu in sacks; from store, 40 @ 50c per bu. Dressed Poultry—Chickens, 10 @ 12c; hens, 10 @ 11c; ducks, 14 @ 15c; geese, 12 @ 14c; turkeys, 15 @ 20c per lb.

Live Poultry—Spring chickens, 10 @ 11c; heavy hens, 10 @ 11c; No. 2 hens, 8c; old roosters, 9 @ 10c; ducks, 13 @ 14c; geese, 12 @ 13c; turkeys, 15 @ 16c per lb.

Cheese—Wholesale lots: Michigan flats, 14 @ 14 1/2c; New York flats, 15 1/2 @ 16 3/4c; brick, 14 @ 14 1/2c; Limburger, 14 @ 15c; Imported Swiss, 40 @ 32c; domestic Swiss, 19 @ 20c; long horns, 15 1/2 @ 16 3/4c; daisies, 15 1/2 @ 16 3/4c per lb.

Tomatoes—Hothouse, 20 @ 25c per lb; Florida, \$6.50 per crate and \$1 per basket. Hides—No. 1 cured, 18 1/2c; No. 1 green, 16 1/2c; No. 1 cured bull, 13 1/2c; No. 1 green bull, 12c; No. 1 cured veal kip, 19c; No. 1 green veal kip, 17 1/2c; No. 1 cured murrain, 15c; No. 1 green murrain, 13c; No. 1 cured calf, 20c; No. 1 green calf, 20c; No. 1 horse-hides, \$5; No. 2 horse-hides, \$4; No. 2 hides 1c and No. 3 kip and calf 1 1/2c lower than the above; sheepskins, as to amount of wool, 50c @ \$1.25.

Rudolph Hitz, a farmer near Capax, fell through a trap door in his barn and was so badly hurt that he died shortly afterward.

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Michigan Happenings

Houghton—Three men were injured by a fall of ground caused by an "air blast" in the Quincy mine, and when they were dug out one, Jacob Koskela, was dead.

Port Huron—H. H. Zommer, who has been a missionary in East Africa, has just arrived at his home in Columbiaville, after an exciting trip. Mr. Zommer and his family were 46 days on the ocean. They left New German East Africa, July 2.

Bessemer—The Castle mine, near Wakefield, in this county, which has been closed since October, will resume operations after the opening of the new year, with about one hundred men employed. Indications point to a general resumption of mining along the whole Gogebic range in the near future.

Port Huron—Shortly after she left the Elks' watch night services, Mrs. William Hayman, a well-known resident of this city, and prominent as a church singer, dropped dead. Mrs. Hayman was connected with the choir of the First Congregational church and had been identified with the musical circles of Port Huron for many years.

Lansing—Governor Ferris reappointed Major Nisbett as his private secretary for another two years and E. Clark Austin as executive clerk. Attorney General Fellows reappointed his entire staff in the department. They are Andrew Dougherty, deputy, and assistants Crowley, Marchand, Pepper, Carr, Green and Bectan.

Calumet—An "air blast," similar to an explosion of damp, which shook the city of Hancock, occurred in unused workings of Quincy copper mine, located north of Portage lake, killing Jacob Koskela, fifty years old, miner, and fatally injuring Frank Linnes, forty-two, and slightly injuring an assistant, Fred Kober. The three were buried beneath tons of rock, shaken loose by the blast.

Flint—The force of Sheriff Frank Green was reduced to half its size by the cutting off of salaries of all deputies outside of Flint. When the supervisors made up the year's budget they cut off the pay of five deputies outside of Flint, beginning with January, 1915. This leaves no deputies in the county except the four attached to the sheriff's office here and all the outside work will devolve on the local force.

Ann Arbor—The Pere Marquette railroad, the financial affairs of which have been the subject of congressional investigation recently, has a reproduction value of \$96,962,773, according to an appraisal compiled by Dean Mortimer E. Cooley of the University of Michigan, and submitted to the receivers of the road and to the state railway commission. The reproduction cost, less depreciation, is fixed by Dean Cooley at \$78,545,241. Mr. Cooley, appointed by state authorities, with a staff of assistants has been at work on the appraisal during the last eight months. The cost of the road a mile is figured at \$45,392, or \$36,770 less depreciation. There are 2,589.77 miles of track in Michigan and 2,968.87 miles in five states and Canada.

Lansing—The state live stock sanitary commission received final orders from Washington regarding the modified stock quarantine in Michigan. The Michigan commission obtained all of the modifications it desired. As the ruling stands now its chief points are: Upper peninsula absolutely released from all quarantine; lower peninsula north of Monticam county free to outgoing shipments of all animals for slaughtering purposes without inspection, but inspection necessary on stock for breeding purposes; remainder of southern peninsula, outgoing shipments clear without inspection, except within the five-mile radius of an infected area; incoming shipments of feeders possible, but only to places designated by state commission.

Detroit—Thomas Hewitt, fifty-two years old, a Michigan Central railroad conductor, was killed and three men were slightly injured when the rear truck of a Baker line car took the wrong tracks at Baker and Twenty-third street and sent the car crashing against a telegraph pole against which Hewitt was leaning. Hewitt, whose head and chest were crushed, was rushed to the Boulevard sanitarium, but died on the way. The other men injured were Walter Howe, who had three ribs broken; Rose Sobota, 876 Campbell avenue, whose hand was lacerated, and Ira Cicotta, brother of Eddie Cicotta, the ball player, whose finger was dislocated. Hewitt, who has escaped death a dozen times in his long career as a railroad man, is only to be killed while standing in what seemed perfect safety on a street corner, is survived by his wife and three children. Mrs. Frank Korber of Detroit, Mrs. George Colby, Battle Creek, and Robert, a fireman on the Michigan Central.

Ann Arbor—That Gottlob Bauer unlawfully appropriated \$1,150 belonging to the estate of the late Melita Bauer, of which Attorney George Sample is the administrator, and that the Ann Arbor Savings bank paid out this sum on the pass book owned by the dead woman, is the charge made in a suit started by Sample against the bank and Mr. Bauer. It is alleged that the day of Miss Bauer's death, January 8, 1914, Gottlob Bauer drew the money from the bank without being empowered to do so by the probate court. Suit started for \$1,300.

Rochester—James Fox, seventy-four years old, living near Rochester, one of the most prominent farmers in this vicinity, died after an illness of three weeks. He was a member of the local lodge of Odd Fellows for more than forty years.

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GOVERNOR FERRIS TO THE LEGISLATURE

SECOND INAUGURAL MESSAGE MAKES SOME IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS.

MORE CARE IN FRAMING LAWS

The Primary Law and Short Ballot Cited for Attention—Budget System and Other Matters of Special Interest.

Gentlemen of the Legislature:

In addressing the Michigan Legislature of 1914, I assumed that the best interests of the State could be best served through co-operation. While the three departments of government, the executive, the legislative and the judicial are distinct, they are not independent; in other words they are so inter-related that unity of purpose must be observed. At the same time each department has its own imperative duties, its own responsibilities.

Possibly there have been occasions in the past when members of the State Legislatures have, against their own best judgment, yielded to the wishes of their constituency, expecting that the Governor would correct through his veto power, errors they might be persuaded to make. That precedent, if it ever was a precedent, is unwise and militates against efficiency in legislative action.

System of Enacting Laws.

I have already mailed to every member of the present Legislature a copy of a plan for proposed changes in the system of enacting laws. By adopting the essentials of this plan, the Legislature can reduce the quantity, and greatly improve the quality of our statutory laws.

This proposal will not require additional legislation in order to become operative. It can be accomplished by the adoption of a rule in the Senate and House of Representatives. It has, however, the advantage of not creating any new offices nor requiring any additional appropriations. You will all agree that in the making of laws a system should be devised which will accomplish the following results: Accuracy of statement; simplicity of language; consistency; no contradictory; brevity; exclusive and inclusive arrangements; orderly arrangement; constitutionality. These are not attained in our present system.

The maker of this plan suggests that the Legislature amend its rule so as to create a joint committee of arrangement, phraseology and conformity. Every bill as it passes the committee of the whole in each house should be referred to this committee and examined as to its validity, accuracy, consistency, simplicity, brevity, orderly arrangement, phraseology, etc. This committee would have the power to propose amendments or even a substitute in cases where found by the foregoing imperfections. They have no power to alter the general purpose of the bill. Every bill would pass through the hands of this committee before it is placed upon its final passage.

The primary value of this plan lies in the fact that we have here a committee of experts through whose hands every bill must pass before it becomes a law—a committee whose sole attention is directed to the discovery and the correction of the defects indicated.

I hope that you have examined this proposed plan with the utmost care. Some of the very ablest lawyers and judges, without reference to their political affiliations, have pronounced this plan worthy of adoption.

I urge upon you at this time the very great importance of giving this plan a trial at this session.

Primary Election Law.

The present Primary Election Law is the best one that Michigan has yet had on its statute books. This is proven by the fact that last August more citizens of Michigan voted at the primaries than ever before in the history of the State. Like a human law, it has its limitations. Some of these can be remedied by further legislation.

The principal complaint against the primary is that in a large field of candidates for a given office a minority candidate is sometimes chosen. This can be remedied largely by having a preferential ballot with columns for first and second choice. The chief objection to this plan lies in the fact that the voter must exercise his intelligence, the one absolutely essential thing for a voter to do.

In recent conferences it has been suggested that the primary include the remainder of the elective State Officials. My recom-

mendation of two years ago and repeated this year for the adoption of the Short Ballot, meets this demand admirably.

Several other debatable suggestions have been given publicly. Because a good workable primary law is of the greatest concern, it might be well to make a most searching investigation through a competent commission before making radical changes in our present law.

Ballot Reform.

If the people are to rule through the agency of the ballot at the election primary, they must simplify our election primary laws. Possibly we are under the delusion that we have had the Australian Ballot system for many years, but as a matter of fact such is not the case. It is claimed that the present party column ballot is easy for the ignorant voter to vote the straight party ticket, but it is difficult for the independent voter to split the party ticket. The double system of marking the ballot with a circle on the top and squares at the sides gives rise to endless confusion. Many voters mark the squares to the side of the first name on the ticket, believing that they are voting the whole ticket. Election inspectors say that one voter in ten fails to mark his ballot properly, indicating that 50,000 Michigan voters are annually disfranchised in whole or in part, by the present complicated ballot. Our ballots should be simplified to the point where the Ballot similar to that provided by the Massachusetts law. The advantage in this ballot is that there is but one way to mark it. No complicated instructions are necessary. In voting each candidate's name comes under the eye of the voter, and he places a cross in front of the name of every man he wishes to vote for.

Short Ballot.

Many citizens think that the people are called on to elect too many officials. An examination of our election returns for many years will disclose the fact that the people exercise much independence in voting for Governor, some in selecting a Lieutenant Governor, but below that office the candidates for the state offices receive practically the same vote regardless of their individual merits. It, for example, anything goes wrong in the State Treasurer's office, the blame is placed on the Governor, although he has no control over that office.

In the interest of better government and a shorter ballot, why would it not be a good idea to submit a constitutional amendment providing for the election of Governor and Lieutenant Governor and that the remainder of the elective state officials be appointed by the Governor and to act as his cabinet and advisors in State affairs. The ballot could also be shortened by abolishing the offices of Circuit Court Commissioners and Coroners and judges of the County Court of Peace may perform the duties of these officials.

Publicity for Candidates.

It is necessary that each candidate should get his name and ideas on public questions before the public. Newspaper advertising is very expensive. In this form of publicity the rich man has an advantage over his poorer brother. Small fortunes are frequently spent to gain a single office that doesn't pay one-half of the amount in return salary. I suggest that the Oregon system of publicity be carefully considered. In that State the candidates for public office are required to file a biography and views on public questions and if some proposition or endorsement is submitted, it is printed in full in the newspapers. An argument for and against by its most active advocate or enemy is also printed. This pamphlet is mailed at the State's expense to every registered voter ninety days before election. As a result of this publicity pamphlet, Oregon has become a great school for the study of political questions.

The Budget System.

Several states in making appropriations have tried what is called the Budget System. This system requires the various departments and institutions to file their estimates in advance of a legislative session and provides for examination of these estimates by a committee of authority which shall have both the time and the facilities to check the estimates down to rock-bottom necessity; that will then carry the estimates and the recommendations of the surveyors to the Legislature; and that will require the Legislature to frame one single "budget" appropriation haven't the time to perfect an adequate system. I suggest that the finance committee meet after the adjournment of the present session and sit as a special commission to recommend a suitable plan to a subsequent legislature.

Taxation.

The taxation system of Michigan, except as to property specifically taxed, is based upon a general property tax. Its operations for the most part are satisfactory and in many respects most admirable. It is the only system of taxation with which the tax payer is familiar. Recommendations of radical departures from this system, such as separation of State and local taxation, transfer of the taxes paid by public service corporations from the primary school fund of the State, substitution of a progressive income tax for intangible personal property taxes, should only be made after the most careful study of the constitutional, legislative and administrative changes that would be involved. I, therefore, suggest only such changes in, or additions to existing laws as will tend to produce a more equitable burden under the present system and promote cash values assessments and better administration

of the general property tax.

Repeal the present, mortgage tax law and other laws exempting secured debts from all taxation on making a single fixed payment; substitute a tax providing for an annual fixed payment upon notes secured and bank deposits and intangible property represented by certificates other than the stocks of domestic corporations; accomplish this through a "specific tax" or preferably by amending the constitution so as to allow classification of property for taxation purposes.

Require all corporations doing business in the State and not now required to make reports and statements to the State Board of Assessors or the board of State Tax Commissioners to make full and complete sworn statements in writing to the Board of State Tax Commissioners, the second Monday in April of each year, upon forms to be furnished by said Board, giving in detail such information as the Board of State Tax Commissioners may deem necessary for properly determining the true valuation of property and assessing the same. Similar statements to be required of any individual, firm or association when deemed necessary to properly value the business property of such individual, firm or association. A copy of such statement to be furnished to the assessing officer as soon as practicable after the second Monday in April each year.

Provide for the assessment by the State Board of Assessors of interurban railroads, light and power companies and all corporations whose property extends through more than one assessing district, on equal terms with the assessment of the same among the several assessing districts in which located.

Repeal the law exempting from taxation credits that can be offset by debts.

Enact a law providing for rate of taxation for State, county, municipal and school purposes, designating for each a limit beyond which taxing officers cannot go without special authorization in each case.

Require all field men on examining to select a Lieutenant Governor to take the constitutional oath of office the same as is required of supervisors and other assessing officers.

Farm Forestry.

Amend Act No. 135, Public Acts of 1911, for the encouragement of farm forestry, by removing the restriction on the use of products of such forests for strictly farm purposes. The examiners of the State Tax Commission have not reported a single instance where advantage has been taken of this Act, and on inquiry as to the reasons for failure to do so have invariably been told that the requirements of the Act in many ways were such that they could not be complied with.

The farm wood lot is as much a part of the farm as the barn or the pasture and must be drawn upon many times a year, and the use of its products for strictly farm purposes should be as free and unrestricted as in the use of other parts of the farm, as long as the requirements as to the number of trees, or original or second growth, are not violated. The restrictions as they now exist made it impossible to so use it.

Restrictions upon the cutting of such farm forests for commercial purposes should be continued but restrictions upon the use of its products for general farm purposes must be done away with if any general use of the act is ever made.

Conservation of Our Natural Resources.

One of the great duties of this generation is to see that the natural resources of our country are conserved and passed on to future generations as little impaired as possible.

Conservation means the proper use of things, and whenever the misuse of a natural resource results in waste, then such misuse is not true conservation. The people of this generation are entitled to the use of the natural resources of the country, but no man should be allowed to destroy the seed which is to produce the harvest for the generations to follow us.

The Public Domain Commission, has charge of matters pertaining to conservation in this State, is doing a great work along the line of reforestation of the cut-over lands and the protection of growing timber from fire, and I would advise that some settled policy be adopted by which the work, and that a continuous and accumulating appropriation be made so that the results of the work now being done may be protected and perpetuated.

Blue Sky Law.

The last Legislature passed a law to regulate the sale of securities in this State and created the Michigan Securities Commission. Some of the law took effect its validity was assailed in both the Federal and State courts. The Federal court held it invalid by reason of certain of its provisions, and the State court upheld it in all particulars, although an appeal was taken. Pending a final decision, the commission has enforced the law except as restrained by the Federal court. It has passed upon securities aggregating \$45,000,000 and has collected in fees nearly \$14,000. It has prevented the sale of millions of dollars of worthless securities and has carried out the purpose of the act. At the meeting of the Attorneys General held in Washington in October a committee consisting of the Attorneys General of Michigan, Iowa and Arkansas was appointed to prepare and submit to the legislatures of the various states of the nation a new bill, which will, so far as possible, meet the objections to the validity of the present act. This bill will be submitted to you, and I earnestly recommend its enactment into law.

In the course of my call your attention to the corporation laws of the State and suggest their amendment as one of the means of preventing fraud in the sale of stocks. Under the present corporation laws only 10 per cent of the authorized capital of the corporation is required to be paid in. Parties selling property to a corporation fix their own value in their articles of association. I recommend that no corporation be permitted to organize unless at least 50 per cent of its authorized capital be paid in, and that when property makes up any part of such payment that an appraisal of such property be had by some officer of the State.

Public Utilities Commission. We now have a Railroad Commission which is given the power to fix rates and regulate the practices of railroads, telephones and power companies. I would recommend the enlargement of the powers of this commission to cover all public utility corporations of the State. Furthermore, all there can be no intelligent fixing of charges without a knowledge of the real value of the properties. I would recommend that the Commission be authorized to make physical valuation of all such properties that they may deem advisable that the rates fixed may return reasonable dividends on actual cash investment.

Industrial Disputes.

In magnitude and duration, the Michigan Copper Strike of 1913-14 was one of the greatest that has occurred in modern times. The cost to the State in the cost of its investment industries, the cost to labor, was enormous. The duty of the Governor was simple and clearly defined. Not a single life was sacrificed through any action of the Michigan National Guard, not a single member of the Guard suffered at the hands of the strikers. The cost to the State in the protection of life and property were enforced in a manner that reflects credit upon the entire State. Capital and labor, however, are mutually dependent. The fact that the Federal Government, up to the present hour, has not been able to reach a mediation law satisfactory to either capital or labor, indicates the gravity of the problem. Sooner or later the principle of co-operation must be accepted and adopted. To the end that the best interests of all may be conserved, I suggest the creation of a Board of Conciliation, composed of the Chief Justice of the circuit where the industrial dispute arises, the Governor and Attorney General of the State, and one or more members appointed on the nomination of the parties involved; or a board composed in some other manner which shall be empowered to mediate in dispute and make a public finding thereof, with such recommendations as they believe are warranted to secure justice for both parties. It is generally admitted that compulsory arbitration is impractical. In the light of legislative experience little more can be accomplished than to focus public opinion upon industrial disputes.

The Workmen's Compensation Law.

This law has been in operation a little more than two years; it has, therefore, had a practical test. On the whole, the results have been highly satisfactory. I make the following suggestions with reference to amendments: There should be a provision added to the law covering under proper restrictions portions of work which are let or sublet on contract by manufacturers and builders, so as to reasonably insure the protection of the compensation law to all of the men engaged in such work, whether they are employed directly by the employer or doing his work through some contract or sub-contract.

Second: Our Supreme Court has recently decided that the Michigan Compensation Law does not cover injuries to workmen from occupational diseases such as lead poisoning, but is limited strictly to injuries received by accident. There can be no reasonable ground for denying the same measure of compensation to the workman or his dependents in case of the loss of limb or member, or in case of an occupational disease, as is given in case where such loss is sustained by accident. Both arise out of the employment and result from the hazards of the industry, and both are justly entitled to the same measure of compensation.

Third: The provision of the compensation law requiring the employer to furnish the injured employee with medical and hospital service and medicine for a period of three weeks following the injury is wholly inadequate. The first and greatest need of the injured man is that of medical attention and care, and the amount of medical attention and care furnished should in all cases be proportionate to the injury, the same as the money compensation provided for.

Fourth: The provision of Section 11 part 2 of the compensation law fixing the rate on which the reasonable occupations, should be amended so that the earnings of the injured workman in other like employments may be taken into consideration in computing the rate of compensation. The real test should be the earning capacity of the man in the general class of work in which he was employed at the time of the injury.

Beyond a reasonable doubt other amendments will occur to members of the Legislature. My attention has been called to several other minor points, but I have not deemed them of sufficient importance to make special mention of them in this message.

Sanitary School Buildings.

For more than a quarter of a century I have made a careful study of the school houses in Michigan. The majority of them are unsanitary, and unfit for the children. They do not furnish adequate light, never furnish a proper supply of pure air, and are not comfortably heated, and on the whole are destructive to the health of school children.

It should be remembered that the ordinary school room under the ordinary lighting system, is frequently occupied by a very large number of children. Probably no one reform would exert a greater influence in reducing the death rate of children than would the construction of sanitary school houses. Ordinary school buildings are very little about modern sanitation. It is largely a question of how large a "pen" is required to protect the boys and girls from the inclement weather.

A law should be enacted whereby all plans for school houses should be submitted to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Secretary of the State Board of Health. These officials would approve of the heating, ventilating, lighting, in fact all of the sanitary essentials before the contracts could be entered into for construction. In states where this plan has been put into satisfactory results have been realized.

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Michigan cities whose population is 5000 and upwards are not using their school equipment more than 50 per cent of the available time. During the vacations, long and short, during Saturdays and six nights of every week educational training should be offered to those who are not of school age. Many men and women who work during the day are eager for an opportunity to acquire more knowledge and skill along their occupational lines. The city or community that uses its school equipment all of the available time is getting a little more money only to realize marginal dividends. Possibly this Legislature can see its way clear to encourage this extension of our public school work.

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Market Commission.

The State of Michigan, through its Agricultural College, the Farmer's Institutes and various private organizations is engaged in the great educational work of teaching the farmer how to double his production. Already the effects of this teaching are manifested.

If it is the business of the State to educate the farmer to double his production, it is also the business of the State to encourage an increasing production is properly marketed and that it does not become a disaster instead of a blessing. There is no sense in raising two blades of grass where one grew before, if no one else gets the extra blade. If the State is to continue encouraging an increasing production, it should likewise, by means of a Market Commission take part in disposing of that increased production. Early in 1914, New York established a "Department of Foods and Markets," which is worthy of your careful study. Either the separation of the Dairy and Food Department from the scope of the Dairy and Food Department might be enlarged along these lines.

Public Health. According to the report of the Secretary of the State Board of Health, the total expenditures of this department have not exceeded \$37,000 in the last year. Comparing Michigan with other states, the quality and quantity of health service rendered, this amount is astonishingly low. I am convinced that increased appropriations for this department would bring richer returns measured in money than could be procured through any other department of the State. I wish that careful consideration be given to the importance of legislation whereby the State will be divided into districts and an efficient health officer preside over each district. These health officers should be paid out of the general fund of the State.

At the State Sanatorium, Howell, provisions should be made for a children's pavilion. It ought not to be necessary for the Governor or any official or citizen to plead for the welfare of children. I feel confident that ample provisions will be made for the tubercular children who should be taken care of at Howell.

The State should also establish, in the Upper Peninsula, a branch laboratory under the immediate direction of the State Board of Health. I further suggest that the State Board of Health receive sufficient additional appropriation to enable this board to provide a dental surgeon, whose duty it would be to visit each and every school in this State during the school term, and by lectures, lantern slides and other means, to educate the children the importance of dental hygiene.

Habit Forming Drugs. Since the last Legislature met it has developed that we practically have no law regulating the sale of habit forming drugs. Our present law for cocaine with a few additions could be made very effective. The Legislature should pass a law, based on our present Cocaine Law embracing Cocaine, Morphine, Heroin and all other habit forming drugs which should be as near as possible uniform with the Federal Law. Such a law should prevent the sale and use of all these drugs at retail except on the prescription of a reputable physician.

Housing Reform. The housing problem is the problem of solving the greatest mass of the people who want to live in decent surroundings and bring up their children under proper conditions to have such opportunities. It is also a very large extent the problem of preventing other people who either do not care for decent conditions, or are unable to achieve them from maintaining conditions which are a menace to their neighbors, to the community and civilization.

The larger cities of Michigan are especially interested in the solution of this problem. Already the states of California, Connecticut, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin have housing laws. I suggest that this Legislature enact a housing law of state wide application. "A Model Housing Law," by Lawrence Vellier, Secretary National Housing Association, furnishes a scientific basis for this much needed law.

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Conservation of Important Records.

My attention has been called to the fact that our various state departments scattered about Lansing have in their possession many very important records. Nearly all of these records are in great danger. To illustrate: The Michigan Railroad Commission has records that have cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. These records include valuations, copies of which do not exist; in fact if they were destroyed they could not be duplicated, and many of them could not be duplicated at all. Beyond a reasonable doubt, other departments have equally important records.

The destruction of the records in the department of the Railroad Commission would be a greater loss than the construction of a modern office building with ample room for safe storage for all. I most earnestly urge that this Legislature arrange for the construction of a modern office building with ample room for safe storage of all records, and if an undertaking is considered too expensive, by all means make provision for taking care of all important records now in possession of the various State departments.

I do not hesitate to recommend the construction of a modern office building whereby all of our departments outside of the Capitol can be housed under one roof, and their records preserved against their possible destruction by fire.

Economy.

Economy is a fundamental factor in every successful business enterprise. The State is a great business corporation. A great business corporation employs shrewdly and wisely. The State, on account of its prescribed limitations, cannot always use this form of business sense. There are features of government that cannot be fully measured in dollars and cents. The big side of government is always the human side. Our state institutions continue to increase in magnitude and in possibilities for usefulness. Michigan is one of the great states in the Union. If she is to keep pace with the needs of her citizenship, these appropriations must necessarily increase. On the account there is the greater necessity for watchful supervision. No longer is there any excuse for fictitious expenditures that originate through political friendship. I am sure that the Legislature will co-operate with me in maintaining the utmost economy consistent with the public service.

WOODBRIDGE N. FERRIS, Governor.

While unloading coal John Fringe, of South Park, fell from the car and sustained injuries which resulted in his death within a few minutes.

Two big Cadillac plants which manufacture products used in the making of smokeless powder have made contracts with the British government by which the latter takes the entire output of the factories for two years, at a price double the usual figure. The plants are to run night and day under the contract.

Claude E. Cady, manager of a Lansing theatre, has been fined \$15 and \$30 costs for refusing John Allen, colored, admission to his "movie" show.

Secretary Burkart of the state board of health has compiled figures showing that 1,896 cases of smallpox were reported in Michigan during 1914. Only three deaths resulted from smallpox. Of that number 1,811 cases had never been vaccinated.

Russell Albertson of Pittsfield, whose motor car was wrecked and himself injured by a head-on collision with a car driven by Travis Beal of Ann Arbor, east of Ypsilanti, last fall, Young Beal having 10 members of John Bunny's comedy company aboard has commenced suit at Ypsilanti against Beal for \$1,000 damages.

The Capitol hotel at Centerville was burned to the ground Saturday morning. The loss is about \$3,000, partially covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

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Auditor General Fuller has received a ruling from the collector of internal revenue that the bonds of county officers must bear a 50-cent stamp. Not all of the county officers understand this apparently, as 29 bonds have been filed with the auditor general that are unstamped.

Henry Ritxma, of Muskegon, 25 years old, died at Mackley hospital Tuesday, a victim of a wound from a gun in the hands of his brother, Edward, who fired at a rabbit and by mistake hit Henry.

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No sick headache, biliousness, bad taste or constipation by morning.

Get a 10-cent box.

Are you keeping your bowels, liver, and stomach clean, pure and fresh with Cascarets, or merely forcing a passage every few days with Salts, Cathartic Pills, Castor Oil or Purgative Waters?

Stop having a bowel wash-day. Let Cascarets thoroughly cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour and fermenting food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out of the system all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will make you feel great by morning. They work while you sleep—never gripe, sicken or cause any inconvenience, and cost only 10 cents a box from your store. Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never have Headache, Biliousness, Coated Tongue, Indigestion, Sour Stomach or Constipation. Adv.

Warm Baths for Your Nerves. A bath at a temperature of 92 to 96 degrees will quiet the nerves in a magical way, even in cases in which drugs of all sorts utterly fail. Such a bath is called a neutral bath, because no action is produced by it, and no disturbance results from overheating. Its temperature is just enough lower than the body's to carry off the surplus heat without producing a cooling effect.

OVERWORK AND KIDNEY TROUBLE

Mr. James McDaniel, Oakley, Ky., writes: "I overworked and strained myself, which brought on Kidney and Bladder Disease. My symptoms were Backache and burning in the stem of the Bladder, which was sore and had a constant hurting all the time—broken sleep, tired feeling, nervousness, pooling and swollen eyes, shortness of breath and I suffered ten months. I was treated by a physician, but found no relief until I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. I now feel that I am permanently cured by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Dodd's Kidney Pills, 50c per box at your dealer or Dodd's Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Write for Household Hints, also music of National Anthem (English and German words) and recipes for dainty dishes. All 3 sent free.—Adv.

Just the Boy He Wanted. The aim of golfers is, of course, to go round the course with as few strokes as possible, and the man with the least strokes wins the game. A player realized this once, and decided to engage a caddy who would help him.

"Caddy," he said to the boy who came up to him, "can you count?" "Yes, sir," said the boy. "Can you add up?" "Yes, sir." "Well, what's five and seven and four?" "Twelve, sir."

"Come along," said the golfer, "you'll do." And he engaged the boy on the spot.

Soldiers in Silk. There is a serious proposal to clothe the British army in silk, and an order has been given for cloth for a battalion of the Yorkshire regiment. It is homely looking material, made from tussah yarn, wool and worsted, which the silk trade wants the army authorities to accept.

It is said to have the great advantages of lightness and durability, the strain it will bear being nearly double that of the material now used.

Reverse Irish. Mrs

GIGANTIC UNLOADING SALE

Read every line, note every price, then come and share in the Buying Benefits of this Great Unloading Sale. E. L. Riggs' great \$20,000 Stock must be greatly reduced.

15 DAYS BEGINNING Saturday Morning, Jan'y 9 15 DAYS

After inventory we find thousands of dollars' worth of Merchandise that should be sold. Owing to the mild winter these Departments are all overstocked and must be moved out regardless of cost or sacrifice. Sales may come and sales may go in this community, but this Unloading Sale will be the greatest of them all. Every department is represented in this gigantic Unloading Sale, priced so low you cannot get away from it.

Dry Goods, Clothing, Ladies', Misses and Children's Cloaks, Suits and Skirts, Carpets, Rugs, Lattings, Oil Cloths, Curtains, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Trunks, Suit Cases, Shirts, Underwear, Gloves and Mittens, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings, Laces, Silks, etc.

Entire Line of Men's and Boys' Suits and Overcoats

Men's \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats	\$13.75
" 18.00 "	12.75
" 15.00 "	10.75
" 12.00 "	8.75
" 10.00 "	7.50

All Boys' Suits and Overcoats at Unloading Sale Prices.

Men's \$5.00 Pants	\$3.75
Men's 4.00 Pants	2.95
Men's 3.00 Pants	2.25
Men's 2.00 Pants	1.50
Men's Cotton Work Pants	.70

Big \$4.98 Special

About 50 Men's Suits, small sizes, worth \$10 to \$15, all wool, unloading price, **\$4.98**

UNDERWEAR

This great stock is still complete and all must be closed out.

Men's \$2.50 Union Suits	\$1.98
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1.50 "	1.19
1.00 "	.79
50 Fleece Shirts and Drawers	.37

All Ladies' and Children's Underwear at Unloading Prices.

All Notions and Small Stuff at Unloading Sale Prices.

OUR ENTIRE Shoe and Rubber Stock

is represented in this great Unloading Sale.

Ladies' and Men's \$4.50 Shoes	\$3.75
" 4.00 "	3.25
" 3.50 "	2.75
" 3.00 "	2.25
" 2.50 "	1.98
" 2.00 "	1.50

All Boys', Misses' and Children's Shoes at Unloading Sale Prices.

Our entire line of Men's Heavy Rubber and Felts at Wholesale Prices.

Muslin Underwear

Now is the time to fit up for Spring at great saving of prices.

\$1.50 Night Robes	\$1.19
1.25 Night Robes	.98
1.00 Night Robes	.79
.75 Night Robes	.59
.75 Corset Covers	.59
.50 Corset Covers	.39
.39 Corset Covers	.25
.25 Corset Covers	.19
.50 Drawers	.39
.39 Drawers	.25
2.00 White Skirts	1.50
1.50 White Skirts	1.19
1.25 White Skirts	.98
1.00 White Skirts	.79

Outing Flannel Night Robes

\$1.50 Ladies' and Men's Night Robes	\$1.19
1.25 "	.98
1.00 "	.79
.75 "	.59
.50 "	.39

Winter Cloaks and Suits

\$25.00 Ladies' Cloaks and Suits	\$14.75
20.00 "	12.75
15.00 "	10.75
12.00 "	8.75
10.00 "	6.75

One lot of Ladies' Cloaks worth \$10 to \$15, to unload at **\$4.75**

All Children's Cloaks at just half price.

\$8.50 Dress Skirts	\$4.95
7.50 "	4.50
6.00 "	3.95
5.00 "	3.75
4.00 "	2.95

Carpet Department

Now is your great opportunity to buy Floor Covering for Spring.

85c all Wool Ingrain	.69c
75c "	.59c
65c "	.55c
50c "	.39c
40c "	.31c

All Cotton Carpets, Mattings, Room Size Rugs, Oil Cloths, Shades, Lace Curtains, Draperies, and Linoleums at Unloading Prices.

Take this opportunity to stock up with

Table Linen and Napkins

\$1.25 beautiful Linen, per yd	.98c
1.00 "	.79c
.75 "	.59c
.50 Napkins, at sale price	.39c
.35 "	.28c

We have a few fine Ladies' and Misses' FURS to close out at Half Price.

Ladies' House Dresses

\$1.50 House Dresses	\$1.19
1.25 "	.98
2.25 Long Kimonas	1.50
House Shirt Waists	.39

One big lot of new Spring House Dresses will be thrown into this Unloading Sale. Also a lot of new Spring Waists!

All Children's New Spring Dresses at Unloading Sale Prices.

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All Men's and Boys' Caps at half price.

Great Bargains in Hats.

All Gloves and Mittens at Unloading Prices.

Boys' Short Pants

All best Prints	.5c
12 1/2c Percalines	.9c
Bleached Cotton	6c and 7c
Bleached Cotton	7c and 9c
Coats' Thread	4c
Good Overalls	.43c
Good Work Shirts	.43c
Good Socks	.4c
Men's Handkerchiefs	.8c
Ladies' 15c Hose at	.9c
Children's 15c Hose at	.11c
12 1/2c Outing Flannel at	.9c

New 12 1/2c and 15c Spring Gingham, per yard **.9c**

Unloading Sale on our fine Corset Stock, American Lady and R. & G. included.

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One lot Bed Comforts worth \$1.25 at **.98**

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This great 15-day Unloading Sale offers great opportunities to buyers of good, dependable merchandise. We are overstocked and must turn a large portion into cash in 15 days. People will be here for miles around. Come yourself and stock up for a year to come, for this sale will be a great money saving opportunity to you. Remember, sale opens Saturday morning, January 9, at 8 o'clock and continues 15 days.

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