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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MICHIGAN.

A. A. Hemmings confessing implication in the Coldwater incendiary fire, has been admitted to \$1,500 bail with two sureties.

The Lee House at Oscoda, three stories high, has just burned at a loss of \$10,000 and light insurance.

Jacob Kite, at North Branch, suffered two serious bursts. While shingling on a house roof a blow on the head with a hammer stunned him, and while unconscious he rolled off the roof, breaking his back.

Lucius Fitch, a prominent citizen of Fenton, was stricken with apoplexy last Friday, and died from a second attack within three days.

The town of Deerfield, near Lapeer, reports a case of small pox.

Daniel Goggins of Grand Rapids, who is about 65 years of age, committed the crime of uxoricide on the 25th by stabbing his wife several times in the neck and breast with his pocket knife.

Mrs. Goggins sold her house and lot for \$1,000 and commenced living at St. Mark's Home at this place the husband called on her and demanded a share of the proceeds of the sale. The wife refused to comply, when the fatal assault ensued.

Augustus S. Johnson, one of the best known citizens of Detroit for more than forty years, died July 6th, at the residence of his son, Geo. A. Johnson, aged 83 years and five months.

H. Friedman, a clothing dealer in East Saginaw, ran his business craft around, and it will take \$15,000 to put him afloat again.

Forest fires are raging in the vicinity of East Tawas and to within a mile of the town. Stock is being driven to the lake shore. Already several tons of hay have been burned and much fencing, Rosetta Lee, John Dillsworth and James Sullivan have lost their dwellings.

Chester F. Randall, aged 6 years, was accidentally shot by his older brother, Daniel, aged 9. The children were living with their grandparents in the town of Adams, about 8 miles east of Hillsdale.

J. B. K. Bratshaw a prominent citizen and temperance worker in Detroit, died of Bright's disease on the 25th.

Andrew G. Olson of Whitehall has been convicted the third time of selling liquor without a bond filed with the county treasurer, and sentenced to pay \$100 fine, and imprisonment 30 days. He appeals the case.

Burglars blew open the safe in the office of H. Barrows at Armada a few nights since, and stole \$2,000.

Mrs. Cady of Mt. Morris, and a boy named Alexander of Burton township, have just died of small pox.

The London English amateur rowing association have ordered the Thames and London crews not to compete with the Hillsdale boys in the Barnes and Mortlake regattas.

Capt. E. P. Allen, nominated the first of the week, has already been confirmed by the Senate as Indian agent at the Mackinaw agency.

Prof. Sill, superintendent of the Detroit city schools, has been selected for a term of three years, at a salary of \$4,000 per year.

Chas. W. Clisbee of Cassopolis, Mich., reading clerk of the house of representatives, Washington, was stricken with paralysis and fell on the steps of the Capitol building, Friday, 28th. He was immediately removed to a hospital where he received every possible attention.

The New York World publishes the following report from Michigan, July 27: The wheat harvest in the northern counties has commenced and the yield will be about one-third better than last year.

Miss Clara Lee of Dowagiac, while working in Benton Harbor, suddenly disappeared, and it is now thought she has been abducted. She was last seen in a buggy with two negroes.

Ex-Ald. Wm. Brown of Jackson, was run over by a traction engine and badly hurt. His left ankle was injured and the right leg crushed from the foot to the body. No bones were broken but an injury in the right groin excites apprehension.

Charles K. Backus of Detroit, former editor of the Detroit Post and Tribune, now of the immigration commissioners' office, has been ill for a month. He is improving.

J. Huff Jones of Detroit has just paid taxes amounting to \$11,325 on property which he represents in that city.

The large Union Hall at Ma-istee, built by Richard G. Peters at a cost of \$25,000 and dedicated to the cause of temperance the fore part of last month, was destroyed by fire on Saturday. There was an insurance of \$15,000.

John McNulty, of East Saginaw, aged 63 years, in attempting to get off a Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad train, while in motion, fell under the wheels and was run over, crushing his left leg.

July 28.—The Senate passed the House resolution requesting the President to call an international conference to fix a common prime meridian. The House bill with regard to the pay of letter carriers was passed. The Senate bill to provide for the publication of the tenth census was passed.

Mr. Stewart, of Cheboygan, has a Jersey cow that has been playing a game in the neighborhood of late. Nearly every cow in the vicinity that was allowed to run apparently went dry. The Jersey was caught the other day, milking one of her sister bovines, when she was promptly muzzled with a spiked collar (around her nose), and now there's a bovine disturbance every time the cow tries her old tricks.

CONGRESS.

July 24.—In the Senate, the bill to refund to the estate of John W. Forney \$27,684 paid by him when Secretary of the Senate, to cover a defalcation in his office, was passed. Mr. Allison presented the conference report on the legislative appropriation bill, which, after debate, was adopted as to all the items agreed to, and the Senate insisted upon its disagreement upon the points referred to and ordered a new conference. Messrs. Allison, Dawes and Davis, of West Virginia, were appointed. The Senate took up the revenue bill, which was discussed to the hour of adjournment.

In the House, Mr. Cannon submitted a conference report on the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill. The report announces agreement on all the items of the bill except the transfer of the records in the Surgeon-General's office to the office of the Adjutant-General. As the bill originally passed the House it appropriated \$19,780,273; as it passed the Senate it appropriated \$20,275,900; as agreed upon by the conference committee it appropriates \$20,088,000. The conference report was agreed to and a further conference ordered.

July 25.—The Senate, after debating the question of printing the report of the 10th census, adopted the conference report on the river and harbor bill. The revenue bill was then discussed, the question being on Mr. Hale's amendment to the sugar duty section, to strike out the requirements for government tests of the saccharine strength of sugars in determining duties.

In the House, the Speaker announced as in order the further consideration of the bill allowing a drawback upon imported material used in connection with domestic materials in the construction of vessels for foreign account and the pending question to be the motion of Mr. Kelley to recommit the bill to the committee on ways and means. A motion by Mr. Tucker to amend, so as to instruct the committee to report a bill which will allow a drawback equal to the whole amount of duties paid or charged thereon, on any or all imported materials used in the construction of sail or steam vessels for any citizen of the United States, or foreign citizen, or subject, was discussed and rejected, and Mr. Kelly's motion to recommit was agreed to.

From information gleaned at Dublin, it appears Westgate or O'Brien, the men arrested in Venezuela on his confession that he was concerned in the Phoenix Park murders is a Scotchman. On the day of the tragedy he sailed from Northwell for Swansea at 7 p. m., or ten minutes before the tragedy occurred. Consequently he could not have been one of the assassins. Some of his friends were with him at Northwell an hour before the vessel sailed. The authorities at Dublin are confident Westgate is innocent, although detectives will probably have to be taken to Ireland in order to satisfy the public feeling.

English sentiment about Ireland, The London Times, commenting on the address of the Canadian Parliament to the Queen, in favor of home rule for Ireland, says: The respectful phrases in which the address is couched cannot blind anyone to the fact that it amounts to a vote of censure on the government and encouragement to its avowed enemies. We are at a loss to determine whether the circumstance of the address, as simply a dodge to catch the Irish vote, ought to be regarded as an aggravation or excuse for the offense. If the more charitable view be taken it condemns the Canadian Parliament as guilty of levity of thought which must seriously detract from the value of any opinion it may form.

Buried. An elaborate funeral procession escorted the remains of the late Minister Marsh to the Protestant cemetery in Rome, where they were buried, and will remain until September. Mr. Marsh will continue her residence in Italy.

Foreign War News, Etc. Declared a Rebel. After considerable faltering the Khedive has dismissed the rebellious Arabi Pasha from the ministry of war. He also forbids Egyptian troops obeying the commands of Arabi. The water supply of Alexandria is gradually growing less as the Mahmoudieh canal conducing still remains shut off. The work of condensing water is progressing, and it is hoped sufficient can be prepared to save the populace. Occasional miscreants are picked up in the streets with cotton balls saturated with petroleum.

Assisting England. Advice to the London Observer are to the effect that the Khedive's proclamation asks the people to assist the English, who it says are promoting the real interests of Egypt.

Affairs Growing Worse. The country is drifting into anarchy. Atrocities equal to any ever perpetrated in Bulgaria, are committed with impunity. Two German men at Tulka, sheltered by the station master until the train was ready to start, were caught entering the cars, their heads held over the carriage door and throats cut. Another Christian was placed on the rails and the engine run to and fro over his body. Cairo is daily threatened, and it is evident it will suffer the fate of Alexandria unless Arabi's hordes of followers is headed off. Arabi is also in danger, forces having been reported moving in that direction.

Arab's Successor. The Khedive has appointed Omar

Lutfi, formerly governor of Alexandria as minister of war and marine.

The Khedive refuses to entertain a proposition to extend amnesty to the principal rebel officers with the view to induce them to abandon their allegiance to Arabi Pasha.

Retail trade has revived somewhat in Alexandria. The center of the great square is filling with cafes and booths.

Intelligence is received that Dervisch Pasha on his arrival at Constantinople stated that after the bombardment the English engaged in various acts of violence against the inhabitants and pillaged and burned the town.

It is believed Arabi receives daily from friends in London accurate accounts of measures organized to oppose him.

Ismael Pasha who returned to Alexandria from Arabi's camp, brought information of the latter's peace proposals, which are regarded as preposterous. He seeks to have his affairs condoned, and on this condition he consents to disarm a portion of the rebels under his command. Maj. Gen. Alison will not listen to this demand, and is drawing closer to Arabi's position.

A Rumored Peace Proposal. An unconfirmed report is received at London that Arabi Pasha has proposed terms of peace, conditions being voluntary exile and retention of rank and pay of colonel for himself and nine of his colleagues.

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A Poor Crop Outlook. A report from Alexandria is to the effect that the cotton crop will be ruined for want of irrigation, which has been prevented by the cutting of the Mahmoudieh canal. The wheat crop prospect in lower Egypt is also on the decline.

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A Fort Destroyed. The fort at Gabarie, Alexandria, was destroyed on Saturday.

Fifteen thousand Turkish troops have been ordered to proceed to Egypt this week.

The Laws of Nature. Brother Gardner's Personal Experience as Told to the Lamkin Club.

Cottonseed White of Glenrose, Texas, in a communication of a scientific nature, addressed to the President, asked as follows:

"Did you know that knowledge could be obtained by experience, and that experience is but another name for suffering?"

"That about the time we grow wise enough to live we must fall and die?"

"That the most meritorious actions are often followed by the most disastrous consequences?"

"That this universe is governed by passionless, purposeless, inexorable, eternal law?"

"I know all about it," replied the President, with a sad shake of the head. "I've been right dar. My fust knowledge about a mule was gained by pickin' up one of his hind feet. I have in my kindness of heart lent my shot gun to a friend to shoot a crow, an' bin obleeged to pay fifteen dollars for de calf he killed. I have not only observed dat de universe am governed by passionless, purposeless, inexorable, eternal laws, but have discovered dat de man dat goes fishin' on Sunday mus' buck agin de bill business. It am sad, an' yet we must brace up an' keep turnin' de grindstone."—Detroit Free Press.

Probably the wealthiest sexton in the world is the one who, every Sunday, ushers to their seats the congregation of St. James Chapel, Elberon, N. J. He is a rather short, stout man, with a round, full face, beaming with contentment and benevolence. He lives near by in a \$70,000 cottage, has a bank account of several millions, and is known to the G. W. Childs, proprietor of The Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Lieut. Danenhower's eyesight is gradually improving under careful treatment.

Pittsford, Mass., Sept. 28, 1878. SIRS—I have taken Hop Bitters and recommend them to others, as I found them very beneficial.

MRS. J. W. TULLER, Sec. Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The practice of going to Europe to travel and rest costs the United States about one hundred and twenty-five million of dollars annually.

SCIPHO, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1879. I am the Pastor of the Baptist church here, and an educated physician. I am not in practice, but am my sole family physician, and advise in many chronic cases. Over a year ago I recommended your Hop Bitters to my invalid wife, who has been under medical treatment of six of Albany's best physicians several years. She has become thoroughly cured of her various complicated diseases by their use. We both recommend them to our friends, many of whom have also been cured of their various ailments by them.

REV. E. R. WARREN.

The forestry laws of Kansas have been fruitful of permanent results. It is said there have been planted in that state 93,000 acres of trees.

SPELLING REFORM is ever progressive in spite of all conservatism. With or without authoritative sanction, the spelling changes for the better, from generation to generation. It may be well enough, however, to say that the English Spelling Reform Association has been considering some seven different schemes of phonetic spelling, and that it recommends partial changes which may be immediately adopted, pending the further consideration of a complete scheme. The following five rules suggested by the American Association will commend themselves to the approval of thousands who will feel compelled to await the authorization of custom and the lexicon: 1. Omit a in words like had, health, breast, pleasure. 2. Omit silent e in words like give, lie, definite. 3. Write f for ph in words like fantom, philosophy, alphabet, comfort, telegraph. 4. Omit the last of the double consonants in words like that, cliff, ad, eg. 5. Change ed final in t in words like capt, chopt, prest, first.

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