

WARNER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

In it Farmers are Urged to Enrich the Soil.

FEED THEIR HAY AND GRAIN.

Stop Robbing the Soil by Adopting Methods That Deplete It—In 10 Years the Number of Horses, Hogs and Sheep Have Decreased Thousands.

Farmers Urged to Enrich the Soil.

In his annual address to the State Dairyman's association, President Fred M. Warner stated that in the 28 counties in the southern four tiers of counties, 62 per cent of the farms and 70 per cent of the improved land in the state are found. In this section 85 per cent of the wheat, 78 per cent of the corn, and 65 per cent of the oats of the state are grown. It contains 60 per cent of the population of the state. In 1906 these counties the population has decreased during the past 10 years, and in all but four of them the increase in the cities is balanced by the decrease in the townships and unincorporated villages. The total loss in population in these 28 counties is 40,000. Gains are noticed in Monroe, Berrien, Calhoun and Wayne, and are ascribed to local causes.

These figures apparently show that there has been a migration of people from the farms because of the lack of profit in farming. While there has been an increase of 15,000 milk cows and 25,000 cattle other than milk cows in the last 10 years, there has been a loss of 15,000 horses, 125,000 hogs and 510,000 sheep in the same period. The land, becoming poorer each year, furnishes subsistence for a less amount of stock. The farmers were urged to make the soil richer by feeding their hay and grain on their farms rather than robbing the soil by adopting methods that deplete it. The fertility of the farms should be restored.

A Great Peach County.

Berrien county is the greatest peach growing section in the world and St. Joseph and Benton townships are the greatest peach growing townships in the county. This section reached that distinction, according to the recent compilation of figures, by the enormous shipments of last season. The county broke all records last season and the name of the Berrien peach is world wide. During the year 1900 Berrien county grew over one-half the Michigan crop of peaches. The number of acres cultivated was 4,753 and the total yield was 140,992 bushels.

Smallpox at 29 Places.

Reports to the state board of health by representative physicians in active general practice in different parts of the state indicate that influenza, rheumatism, neuritis, bronchitis and tonsillitis, in the order named, caused the most sickness in Michigan last week. Cerebro-spinal meningitis was reported at 23 places; whooping cough at 8; measles at 22; smallpox at 29; diphtheria at 33; typhoid fever at 65; scarlet fever at 101 and consumption at 174.

Annual Meeting of State Press.

The annual meeting of the Michigan State Press association will be held at Lansing on March 14 and 15. The program will be one of special interest, some of the best newspaper men in the state having numbers on it. At this meeting will be chosen the officers for the ensuing year and also the representatives to the national association meeting at Buffalo.

\$48,000 Fire at Detroit.

For the second time within a little more than a year, Valentine Schroeder, the manufacturing confectioner, located 38 Woodward avenue, Detroit, suffered heavily from fire at an early hour on the morning of the 11th. The smoke and water, with a small amount of fire, also caused the Gehard Paper Co. considerable damage. The total loss will reach about \$40,000.

Aliens has a Curiosity.

An Athens man has a curiosity in the shape of two interlocked deer heads, which were found in the upper peninsula. The hunters are so firmly locked together that the skulls would have to be broken to separate them. The heads are those of fall-grown bucks, and the battle that ended in death for both must have been fierce indeed.

New Judicial District.

The members of the Calhoun county bar have prepared a bill to be presented to the legislature, detaching that county from the 5th judicial district, at present, also including Barry and Eaton counties, and creating a district of Calhoun county alone to be known as the 37th district.

Twice Married and Divorced at 21.

Jacob Ross, of Muskegon, who has been sentenced to seven years at Jackson for taking improper liberties with a 5-year-old girl, has had a remarkable career. He is but 21 years old, but has been twice married and divorced. He married first at the age of 16.

Maurice E. Casey, of Alpena, has again been convicted of assaulting, with intent to kill, his wife.

On the night of the 3d the ice moved out of Thunder bay, carrying 12 or 15 fish shanties. The shanties were unoccupied.

Home's village dads will carry the injunction case to the supreme court. They were enjoined from disposing of \$20,000 for public improvements.

Grand Haven has a boys' band of 12 pieces, whose members are not over 15 years of age, and claims that no town of its size has such an organization.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

The quarantine at Alma has been raised.

Battle Creek is to have a new \$15,000 opera house.

Jackson Elks dedicated a new \$45,000 temple on the 6th.

Frederick Hauser, aged 70, was found frozen to death in his yard near Royal Oak on the 5th.

Coldwater's populace ought to be converted—revivals and missions are now in full blast in that city.

By the breaking of a street railway trolley wire at St. Joseph the other night, 350 telephones were burned out.

The Kalamazoo W. C. T. U. on the 8th passed a resolution indorsing the bill now before the legislature to amend the marriage laws.

An Iron Mountain preacher who is quarantined at his home on account of scarlet fever, did not disappoint his congregation on the 10th. He used a phonograph.

At the 61st anniversary of the Grace Episcopal church at Port Huron on the night of the 5th, the mortgage on the church building was burned. A banquet followed.

At the fire at Colon recently a dog became so excited that he jumped into the cellarway of a burning building and was badly scorched about the feet before he could be rescued.

The request of ex-Gov. Pingree that the state pay for 10,000 extra copies of his last message, has been denied by the state auditors, and the former governor must foot the bill himself.

The Warren Featherbone Co., of Three Oaks, has purchased the large Keeler Brass Co. plant at Middleville and will begin the manufacture of ribbons as soon as the machinery can be put in place.

Following is the January report of State Salt Inspector Caswell: Bay county, 53,468 barrels; St. Clair, 46,133; Saginaw, 46,261; Wayne, 32,877; Manistee, 20,142; Mason, 5,528; Midland, 3,000; total, 207,409.

L'Anse's newest industry, a graphite mill, was started up recently and in a few days will be running full blast.

It is located only four miles from an apparently inexhaustible supply of the necessary raw material.

Some mean, lowdown cuss at Deerperville stole the blanket from the back of a horse that had just come in from a long drive, and the poor animal was left to shiver in the bitter cold for several hours before its condition was discovered.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Michigan Cement company, held at the office of the company in Coldwater on the 5th, it was decided to start their plants about March 1. An enormous output is planned for the coming year.

The Pere Marquette steamer No. 4 arrived at Ludington from Milwaukee on the night of the 4th 12 hours late. No meals were served on the boat and the crew and passengers suffered great hardships. The boat was completely enveloped in ice.

The council at Mt. Pleasant has granted a franchise to F. S. Dains to establish and operate a gas plant in the city. The plant must be in operation within 15 months, and the price of gas will be \$1.50 per thousand for the first five years and \$1.25 after that.

A wreck occurred on the L. S. & M. S. Ry. near Coldwater on the 6th, and as a result a freight caboose and a coal car were telescoped and reduced to splinters; the passenger engine was partly demolished and the buffet car next to the engine was derailed. Fortunately no one was killed.

An E. & P. M. switch engine backed upon the main track of the G. R. & L. at the junction, near Muskegon, on the 8th, just in time to be hit by a passenger train. Mrs. J. L. Murray, of Muskegon, was thrown from her seat with such force that death resulted a little later at the hospital.

James Daggett, murderer, who was pardoned by ex-Gov. Pingree, denies that he paid \$950 to secure his pardon, but admits that his attorney's fee was \$250. Said Daggett: "Several paid much more for their pardons than it cost me. Charley Wright paid \$3,000; Henry Stewart, \$1,000, and Stevens, \$450."

Judge Smith of the Ingham circuit court has declined to consider the petition filed by Jas. H. Brumm, the Dimondale murderer, who was pardoned ex-Gov. Pingree last December. The conditions upon which Brumm was pardoned was that a commission should be appointed to determine his sanity.

Notwithstanding the fact that the I. Stephenson Lumber Co., whose base of operations is at Wells, Delta Co., has sawed continuously for 50 years, it still has in sight sufficient raw material to duplicate the run, which would make the phenomenal record of lumbering at a single location for 100 years.

Louis Arno, of Detroit, who was sentenced to prison seven years ago for an assault on Pearl Butler, a girl less than 16 years of age, and who was pardoned just before Christmas by ex-Gov. Pingree, is again in trouble. The charges this time are similar to those for which he was serving time, only his scheme was discovered by the police before he had an opportunity to mature it.

During the funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Frank Van Etta in the M. E. church at Holland on the 6th, fire broke out, and spread with such rapidity that the whole building burst into flames before the funeral party could get out of the building with the corpse. Fortunately all escaped uninjured. Loss on building, \$10,000; insurance, \$3,500. The church debt had just been paid.

Adrian's council adopted a curfew ordinance on the 4th, and now all children under 14 years of age are forbidden on the streets after 8 p. m. in the winter and 9 p. m. in the summer.

DOINGS OF THE 41ST SESSION.

The following bills were passed by the house on the 6th: Legalizing an issue of \$100,000 of Bay county road extension bonds; relative to Saginaw county road system; to legalize abandonment of part of the toll road of the Riverside Turnpike Co., in St. Clair county; authorizing city of Ann Arbor to build a city hall at a cost not to exceed \$30,000; authorizing St. Clair county circuit judge to pay court stenographers \$10 a day instead of \$5 as at present; providing for the registration of women's study clubs, and for the regulation of their use of books from the state library; requiring factory inspectors to leave written instructions as to changes recommended in manufacturing establishments and workshops; authorizing the state railroad commissioner to order depots established; to prevent tramps, etc., from jumping on and off moving trains; requiring written approval of the railroad commissioner to be obtained before property can be condemned by a railroad company for a crossing; to make invalid, assignments and mortgages of indebtedness as against garnishment proceedings in certain cases; authorizing railroad commissioner to include railroad companies reports in his own annual report; to authorize the Boyne City & Southeastern Railroad Co. to charge not to exceed five cents for five years per mile for transporting each passenger between the village of Boyne City and Boyne Falls, a distance of 25 miles.

The bill to relieve the supreme court by increasing its membership from five to seven, was put to sleep in the senate on the 6th, after a lively debate. Some contend that it can now only be revived through a motion to reconsider the vote by which it was defeated. Senator Helme, the only Democrat in the senate, made the motion that put the bill out of business, all after the enacting clause being ordered stricken out, and the motion was adopted in committee of the whole on a viva voce vote of 14 to 2, some of the senators not voting. Only 21 of the 31 senators were present.

Rep. Campbell introduced a bill on the 5th providing that all abandoned lands sold by the auditor-general prior to January 1, 1902, must realize at least 60 per cent of the assessed valuation. His purpose is to prevent the sale of land for the amount of taxes against it, as very often the taxes do not figure within 50 per cent of the value of the land. He also has another amendment to the general tax law providing that if the owners of land deed it to the university all taxes shall be cancelled.

The following bills were passed in the senate on the 6th: To change name of Leon T. Vredenburg to Leon T. Spittler; to authorize Ann Arbor to purchase the water works plant; to authorize Ann Arbor to build a new city hall; to legalize \$100,000 of Bay county bonds; to legalize certain acts of Commissioner of Deeds J. S. Dean, of Schoeller county; to amend the charter of the Grand Rapids schools.

On motion of Rep. McCall, of Charlotte, a special committee on the 6th escorted Gov. Bliss to the chair, who made an appeal to the legislature for economy, especially in legislating for state institutions. He declared against the creation of any more state boards and practically urged that bills now pending to enlarge present boards be not passed.

Rep. Stumpfenhusen has introduced a bill in the interests of justices of the peace, giving them a fee of 50 cents for each report made on cases where the people is a party to the action, civil or criminal. At present the justices have to take chances with the board of supervisors to get paid for such work and he thinks that there should be a stated fee.

Senator Holmes on the 5th deliberately took advantage of the absence of 14 senators to bring about the killing of the Colby bill. Nearly all of the absentees were visiting state institutions in their capacity as senate committee men. If there had been a general junket such a situation would not have presented itself.

The following bills were passed by the house on the 8th: To organize the township of Ocoque in the county of Presque Isle; providing for the incorporation of Alliance, Marquette; to prevent the abandonment of railroads constructed in whole or in part by bonuses.

The joint committee appointed to draft resolutions in honor of Chief Justice John Marshall submitted its report to both houses on the 5th, which was adopted and ordered spread upon the records.

The following bill was passed by the senate on the 5th: To amend the act for the incorporation of M. E. churches.

The recent epidemic of smallpox in Marquette cost the county \$9,000.

The 9th annual meeting of the State Veterinary Medical association was held at Lansing on the 5th. Between 60 and 100 members attended.

The middle-of-the-road Populists of Michigan will not hold a nominating convention this year to place their state ticket in the field, but will select the ticket by the referendum plan, members of the party sending in their choice for candidates by mail on blanks provided for the purpose.

Crying out that drugs were the agents of the devil, a half dozen women followers of Dowie, the faith cure leader, adopted the tactics of Mrs. Carrie Nation, at Chicago one the 6th, and wrecked a number of drug stores on the west side. In some instances there were hand-to-hand fights with the druggists. Armed as they were with pitchforks, umbrellas and canes, the women came out the victors in nearly every encounter and succeeded in destroying property wherever they went. Policemen saw them, but attached no significance to their actions and no arrests were made.

GOT WHAT HE DESERVED.

Did a New Jersey Pastor When He Received a Charge of Lead.

ASSAULTED A WOMAN MEMBER

And When the Victim Told Her Husband of the Affair the Reverend Divine was not Given an Opportunity to Plead His Case.

Mrs. Nation's Record.

The following is Mrs. Carrie Nation's record in the warfare against saloons to date:
Nov. 1—Wrecked two saloons at Kloro, Kan.
Dec. 27—Wrecked Carey Hotel bar, Wichita.
Dec. 27 to Jan. 17—In jail at Wichita.
Jan. 21—Wrecked two Wichita saloons, with aid of Mrs. Wilhoite and Mrs. Evans. Re-arrested.
Jan. 23—Wrecked saloon at Enterprise, Kan. Assaulted by Saloonkeeper Schilling's wife.
Jan. 24—Assaulted by Mrs. Schilling. Announced that she would lead a great army of women to clean out saloons of the nation.
Jan. 25—Escorted to railway station at Hope, Kan., by two saloonkeepers. Dubbed the John Brown of prohibition reform by Peoria Prohibitionists.
Jan. 26—Beaten with broomstick by Saloonkeeper Ed Myers' wife at Topeka. Announced at a public lecture that she would raze saloons in Topeka, Leavenworth, Atchison and Kansas City, Kan.
Jan. 28—Invaded state house at Topeka and lectured Gov. Stanley. Carrie Nation Club organized at Indianapolis.
Jan. 29—More lectures. Announced that she would stay in Topeka till all the 130 saloons are closed.
Jan. 29—Women, inspired by Mrs. Nation's example, wrecked four saloons at Anthony, Kan.
Feb. 4—Mrs. Nation and other women attempt to demolish a saloon but are dismissed.
Feb. 5—Mrs. Nation wrecks the Senate saloon at Topeka.

While engaged in breaking up the Senate saloon Mrs. Nation got into a scuffle with the bartender, and while the latter was trying to wrench the hatchet from her grasp Mrs. Nation was struck on the right temple with the weapon. The blow did not disable her and she at once seized the hatchet and proceeded to put the joint out of business.

Safe and \$40,000 Taken.

Prompt and active work by the authorities at Manila, Ia., on the 10th resulted in the arrest of three men who are suspected of having been implicated in the theft of a United States Express safe said to have contained \$40,000. The robbers carried the safe a distance of about two blocks and then loaded it into a wagon which had been left there in waiting. The wagon was driven about a mile and a half into the country, the safe forced open and the contents abstracted. The men then abandoned the safe and went their way on a new track. It was not difficult to trace them, however, and on the above date three arrests were made. Their names are John Jackson, John Stovell and Charles Hayes. All are men who live at Manila and are well born. Their reputations heretofore have not been bad. They stoutly protest their innocence, but the authorities believe the evidence against at least two of them will prove conclusive. The safe which was stolen contained in the neighborhood of \$40,000, \$12,000 was in cash and the remainder in drafts, checks and various valuables.

Fear an Epidemic of Rabies.

The people of northern Muskegon and southern Coshcocton counties, Ohio, are wrought up with apprehension of an epidemic of rabies. Last November a band of gypsies traversed the country, having with them a savage dog which fought with the village and farm dogs, wounding many. While passing through Dresden the dog attacked Howard Stuller, a boy, lacerating his face. It was thought at that time that the dog was mad and the citizens raised a purse and sent the boy and his parents to the Pasteur institute at Chicago, where the lad was thoroughly treated and discharged as cured. Despite the Pasteur treatment, however, the boy was attacked by the rabies a few weeks ago and after three days of terrible suffering died in convulsions. So great is the fear that the other dogs will go mad and more deaths result that the killing of all the dogs along the route traversed by the gypsies is being strongly agitated and will probably be done.

Rep. Shaw Dead.

Albert D. Shaw, of Watertown, N. Y., formerly commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was found dead on the morning of the 10th in his room at Washington. A physician, summoned immediately after the discovery, pronounced death due to apoplexy, probably about 2 o'clock in the morning. Col. Shaw had returned about 1:30 from a banquet at the Ebbitt house in honor of his successor, Gen. Leo Ransieur, and before he left the banquet hall had responded eloquently to a toast and appeared in excellent health and spirits. The body was discovered lying face downwards on the floor. The features were slightly bruised, showing he had fallen suddenly and heavily. After his return to the hotel Col. Shaw asked for hot water, complaining of indigestion. The water was brought to him and that was the last seen of him alive.

Topeka Saloons Must Go.

Three thousand male citizens of Topeka, Kas., in mass meeting in that city on the 10th decided that the numerous joints of the city must close their places. They issued an ultimatum giving the jointists until Friday, Feb. 15, next at 12 o'clock noon to quit business. If this shall not be done warning was given that 1,000 armed men would immediately move on the joints and remove them by force. This action is the result of the crusade started in Topeka less than 10 days ago by Mrs. Carrie Nation.

CONGRESSMAN HOWARD

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House of Representatives,
Washington, Feb. 4, 1899.

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Congressman Howard's home address is Fort Payne, Ala.

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Infernal Machine is Sent.
Unknown persons sent a box full of dynamite to Dr. Luther Emerick at Georgetown, Del. Before he could open it his secretary took it into the yard and opened the infernal machine without an explosion. There was enough dynamite in the box to blow the house to pieces. The lid of the box was arranged so that when it was opened matches would rub against sandpaper and ignite a fuse.

President to Visit Coast.
President Wheeler of the University of California has received a telegram stating that President McKinley will accept his invitation to address the students of the university on commencement day, May 15. This is taken to indicate that President McKinley's proposed trip to the Pacific coast will be made despite reports to the contrary.

Rodermund Is Set Free.
Dr. M. J. Rodermund, the Appleton, Wis., physician who exposed himself to smallpox germs and later broke quarantine and who was arrested at Milwaukee and landed in the isolation hospital after his return from Terre Haute, was released Monday. The doctor expects to return to Appleton within a few days.

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