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The prediction is made that the severe winter in the north woods of the Adirondack mountains has killed more deer than hunters made away with last fall.

A stage wedding of two members of a burlesque troupe was announced to be performed in a Washington theater, but the high contracting parties found it impossible to secure the services of a person competent to perform the ceremony.

The Rev. John Naile of Trappe, Pa., recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of his birth. He was born near Westminster, Ind., February 18, 1801, and is probably the oldest clergyman in the United States. Mr. Naile was ordained at the age of 40.

Senate document No. 177 gives a report of tests of fireproof woods from the torpedo-boat Winslow, the purpose being to determine whether the process is enduring. The result was very satisfactory, showing that the wood treated five years ago had lost none of its fireproof qualities.

While cutting up a poplar at his saw mill in Lee county, Va., C. R. Kesterton found an augur hole plugged by a pin. On removing the pin he found in the hole five \$20 gold pieces bearing dates between 1850 and 1860 The coins are supposed to have been hid there for safe keeping during the

While Mr. Carnegie was depleting his fortune by \$5,200,000 for libraries in New York, Mr. John D. Rockefeller was increasing his by \$6,200,000, representing a single quarterly dividend on his Standard Oil stock. If Mr. Rockefeller wanted to get rid of his profits on that stock alone he would have to build about one \$80,000 library

Out of \$34,932,644 contributed in 1900 b, charitable persons in the United States to educational institutions only a little more than \$1,000,000 was given to southern schools and colleges. This amount includes donations for institutions intended for the exclusive instruction of both whites and blacks, and but a small part of it came from the hands of northern givers.

The billposters' association of Ergland exercises a censorship over the posters appearing on the London hoardings. A recent case was the poster of the play "Greed of Gold." The scene pictured showed a weman in the foreground, in light attire, with her throat cut. All the members of the association refused to post it. The duties of the censors are said to b: exercised with tact and discrimination.

The fate which seems to come to all communistic colonies has overtaken the Altruistic association formed about a year ago near Burlington, N. J. The plan of the promoters was to form a settlement where there should be no police or magisterial system and no laws or rules save those of court sy. The novelty of farm life soon wore off, and many of the colonists returned to the busy world, where pay was better and life more exciting.

Mrs. Ella Downey of Fontanelle, Ia., seeks divorce on altogether unpr cedented grounds. Her husband, Frank Downey, suffered the amputation of an arm last fall and has kept the dismembered limb ever since. This was bad enough, but whenever he gets in a house, knocking dishes off the tabl system. separation and alimony...

It has long been a disputed question whether America was peopled from Asia. The chief argument against the theory that man made his approach to this continent across Bering strait has been the lack of resemblance in culture between the aborigines of this country and the known races of Asia. This may be accounted for, a Washington scientist maintains, by the fact that all the Asiatic arts and customs ald in the course of generations have been frozen out of any migratory peoples in their getting around Bering strait. As the tribes moved northward they would lose the characteristics of their life, one after another, notably agriculture and domestic animals, until finally, pressing near the polar circle their whole energies would be absorbed in finding food and keeping warm. With his culture thus frozen out, according to this theory, early man crossed Bering strait, and as he moved southward on this continent developed improved ways of living, but after such a long interval of time that the new customs were entirely distinct from those of Asia.

The new French law as to the provision of seats for shop ass stan s came into force on Jan. 1. All shors and similar places where goods are offered for sale by a female staff must be provided in each room with a number of seats equal to that of the women there employed. This law differs from that which will come into force in Germany on April 1. The latter provides only for "a sufficient number" of seats. The English law of 1899 provides one seat for each three women all are not idle at the same time.

SWEPT BY WIND AND RAIN.

Small Sized Tornadoes do Considerable Damage.

SEVERAL PERSONS INJURED.

Property Loss to Farmers Will be Heavy-Most Prominent Citizen of Battle Creek Passed Away on the 26th-Was Editor of the Journal for Over 33 Years.

Queer Work of the Wind and Sand. How to stay the advance of "Creeping Joe" is the problem that is bothering the authorities of Manistee, and unless it can be solved the city water works plant and a number of handsome residences will before many years be buried in sand. "Creeping Joe" is the local name of a high ridge of sand which extends along the shore of Lake Michigan the whole length of that city. The winds from Lake Michigan are continually blowing the sand from the top of the ridge down the inland side of it, and blowing other sand from the wide beach up to the summit, with the result that the ridge is steadily traveling further and further from the shore. At present it separates the residence portion of the city from the water front, and has advanced so far that several residences will have to be removed or else abandoned to be buried by the sand. The city's water works plant is in the same predicament.

Away back in the days when Manistee was a village, a cemetery was platted at the top of the hill and quite a number of burials made there. Several years ago the city authorities, anticipating that the action of the wind on the sand would before long disinter the bodies, exhumed as many of them as could be found and transferred them to the present cemetery. Many of them, however, could not be located, and the unusually severe storms of the past winter have uncovered some of these, so that the bones lie scattered about on the surface of the ground.

Cyclones Commencing Early.

A terrific and destructive cyclone passed near Vicksburg and through Emmett, Scott's Station and Pavilion, about nine miles southeast of Kalama zoo, at noon on the 25th. The storm approached from the west and just be fore reaching Vicksburg lifted and left the main portion of the town unharmed. It struck again on the eastern outskirts of the town, where it crushed the home of Jacob Snyder like an egg shell. All of the occupants were more or less seriously injured and one young lady suffered the fracture of a collar bone.

A terrific wind storm, amounting to a tornado, passed a short distance from Bellevue on the 25th, leveling trees and fences in its path and demolishing windmills, barns and shed, but almost by a miracle leaving residences uninjured except an occasional chimney blown down.

The Grand River has reached the danger limit at Grand Rapids, being over 12 feet above the normal level. A dozen factories on its banks are idle

being completely surrounded by water. A terrific wind and rain storm did considerable damage at Adamsville and was accompanied by a huge waterspout which sucked all of the water

from the bed of Christiana Creek. High water in the St. Joseph river has forced some of the big paper mills

men out of work. A cyclone passed over Flint on the 25th and did considerable damage to

farm property. The Pere Marquette line between Saginaw and Grand Rapids has two big washouts.

Cracked the Safe and Got \$40. The safe in the office of the Holly Milling Co. was looted early on the tantrum he brandishes it around the morning of Mar. 31. The robbers secured only \$40. Charles H. S. Poole, and beating the dog with it, thereby secretary, took \$500 home with him severely shocking his wife's nervous the night before. The thieves were . Wherefore the lady seek; evidently after this. They gained an entrance by the window and knocked the combination off, drilling through. Three terrific explosions awoke the people for five blocks. In the electric lighting plant across the street the machinery was so noisy the employes heard nothing.

> Death of Hon. George Willard. Hon. George Willard, ex-member of

congress from the third district, editor of the Battle Creek Journal, and the most prominent citizen of that city, died there on the morning of the 26th. Mr. Willard was a member of the legislature in 1866, and of congress from 1873 to 1876. He bought the Battle Creek Journal in 1868 and has been its editor ever since.

M. M. Callaghan has been relieved of the Reed City postmastership by E. E. Fraser, postoffice inspector. It is alleged he is short about \$1,000 in his accounts. T. R. Welsh, one of Callaghan's bondsmen, has succeeded him. Surveyors will soon be at work laying out the line between Romeo and Imlay City for an extension of the electric railway from the former place. It is probable that the line will go through to Marlette, 22 miles north of Imlay City.

The farmers of Brighton and vicinity are selling potatoes for 20 cents a bushel. They refused 36c the first part of the winter. Last fall farmers were offered \$2 a bushel for beans; they are now being sold for \$1.45. Wheat is looking good, having been protected

by snow this winter. Flat river is on the rampage at Lowell and much damage is leared. The water is the highest since 1893; basements and business houses are: flooded and merchants are moving their goods to places of safety. Several houses are employed, the supposition being that surrounded and the inmates have moved to upper stories.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Howell will bond for \$15,000 for the ourpose of buying an electric light

Brighton has something to show for the advent of electric cars-four more

David Moore, a prominent business man and politician of Port Huron, died on the 26th.

Ionia is to have an automobile facfory, a local stock company being behind the venture.

Wm. Bailey, at one time an extensive lumber dealer, living at Ellington, has become violently insane.

About \$25,000 worth of property belonging to Page & Co. at Ionia, was destroyed by fire on Mar. 31.

A case of smallpox is reported in the family of Geo. Ruitter, in Porter township, 10 miles from Midland. On the 26th, at Iron Mountain, Aug.

Johnson, a Swede, was attacked and stabbed by five men. He cannot live. The Red Cedar river is the highest it has been for years and the grounds of the Agricultural college are sub-

Two new cases of scarlet fever and and two of diphtheria are reported at Birch Run, but the smallpox scare has

merged.

Among the fourth class postoffices which will be advanced to the presidential class on April 1 are Republic and Thompsonville.

Fun loving students dropped a pig in the girls dormitory at Olivet college, and tied a cow to the latch string. The girls had a bad half hour.

At a late meeting of the common council of Coldwater a resolution was adopted submitting to a vote the question of standard or local time. The trial of Dr. F. E. Woolsey on

the charge of shooting Leroy Manley ended at Plainwell on the 27th. He was discharged, his plea being self-de-Prof. E. F. Johnson of the U. of M., left on the 26th for his new duties in

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sented him with a gold ring, suitably Gov. Bliss on the the 26th appointed Cassius M. Beardsley of Hersey, Osceola county, as judge of the 19th judicial circuit court, to succeed Judge Mc-Mahon of Ludington, who died a few days ago.

St. Andrew's Roman Catholic cathedral at Grand Rapids burned at at early hour on the morning of the 25th, as a result of being struck by lightning. The loss is about \$50,000, with only \$20,000 insurance.

At the last meeting of the state board of education, the registration of Frederick A Platt, of Flint as treasurer of the state board of education was accepted, and James H. Thompson, of Evart was elected in his place.

The supreme court on the 26th granted the writ of mandamus asked for by A. A. Ellis of Ionia, compelling the board of election commissioners of Ionia county to place the democratic party second on the official ballot.

The body of Mae Comstock, aged 16, which was found on the beach at Chicago, March 19, and which was buried at Muskegon, was exhumed on the 28th and a postmortem examination held by two well-known Benton Harbor physicians. The father of the girl was present, and is now satisfied that seduction did not figure in his daughter's act of self-destruction.

A dispatch from Alma, dated the 25th, says that Pine river has risen higher than ever before and has broken through the banks of the mill race In many places several houses are surrounded by water and the electric light power house will be unable to furnish light on account of the flood. If it rises much higher much damage will be done.

After spending his three score years peacefully on a farm, J. W. Allor, of Chesterfield, Macomb county, ended his life as a suicide in Detroit on the 26th. His dead body was found suspended by a rope from the gas chandelier in his room at the City hotel, where he had registered the previous day. He was returning home from a business trip, to Buffalo, which resulted disastrously, and the disappointment is supposed to have prompted the deed.

THE NEWS CONDENSED

The government is employing spies to obtain information relative to the plans of the insurgents in the Philip-

Owing to the attitude of the labor unions of Newcastle, Pa., the city council will, in all probability, reject the \$50,000 offer of Andrew Carnegie for a public library for that place.

The Spanish war claims commission has received from the state department a statement of claims against Spain, resulting from the Cuban insurection and amounting to \$30,000,000 all told. At Intschau, Korea, collisions have occurred between the people and missionary students, according to a St. Petersburg correspondent, and several students have been killed or wounded.

Mail advices say the storm which wept over New Caledonia recently, drove the steamer Hero on the rocks at Kouaoua and together with several barges loaded with nickel, she foun-

The officials of the Japanese embassy confirm the report that an imperial decree has been issued by the court at Sian Fu, through Liu Kun Yi, the vicercy of Nankin, ordering that the Manchurian convention should not be signed March 26, the date fixed by Russia. An intimation of this decree has been telegraphed to the various governments concerned.

DOINGS OF THE 41ST SESSION.

The following bills were passed by

the house on the 25th: Changing title

of assessor of district school boards to that of treasurer; requiring applicants for divorce to file preliminary declaration under oath to be entered in a regster for which clerk is allowed a fee of \$2; creating 37th judical circuit in Calhoun county; providing stenographer for 37th circuit, salary, \$1,000; requiring state board of prison inspectors to visits the various, institutions under their jurdisdiction at least once every three months and maintain a record of the same to be submitted to the legislature; amending highway act so that overseers may be paid for overtime at the rate of \$1 a day for not to exceed five days; providing for the equipping of through suburban cars with closet facilities; amending general tax law, relative to sworn statements of property owned by any person, firm or corporation; authorizing judges of probate to require additional

executors, etc., who fail to comply. In view of the talk to the effect that there is a scheme to secure a 30-year 5-cent fare street railway franchise behind the Ames bill, abolishing off year municipal elections in Detroit and extending the present terms of half the aldermen and other city officers one year, Rep. Baumann had an important action taken in the house on the 26th. He got the house committee on city corporations to have the house order printed 500 copies of his bill requiring all proposed street railway franchises anywhere in the state to be submitted to a vote of the people before they can be granted by common councils and other municipal bodies.

bonds of executors, etc., and to remove

The house on the 26th passed the following bills: Authorizing the highway commissioner to lay out a highway where it is necessary to make the same of the full width of four rods; to authorize suits to be brought against insurance companies organized in this state in the circuit court of any county in which the plantiff shall reside; appropriating \$11,500 for the state normal school at Marquette; to amend the charter of the city of Crystal Falls in Iron county; incorporating the public schools of Bad Axe, Huron county; providing that all lands in Muskegon county, on which taxes are not paid to the state, to be sold every two years, instead of every year; authorizing the township board of Calumet in Houghton county, to issue orders for the time when animals shall be restrained from going at large in the highways; providing for the appointment of guardians for habitual drunkards and that every person so appointed by the judge of probate, shall take the patient to a hospital or suitable asylum for medical or sanitary treatment; giving the land commissioner the power to withdraw lands from sale in order to re-estimate the value of primary school and swamp, and other state lands.

The senate passed the following bills on the 26th: To amend law governing the industrial school for boys-pay treasurer a salary of \$300; amend the act regulating the practice of pharmacy; amend East Saginaw charter; to provide for two regular sessions of the Muskegon county board of supervisors; to authorize the board of supervisors of Alpena county to purchase the lands of the Alpena County Agricultural society; to incorporate the Bad Axe public schools; to incorporate the Detroit library commission, and to provide for a popular vote on building a new library; proposing a constitutional amendment permitting indeterminate sentences; creating the office of stenographer for the 37th judicial circuit; to detach Calhoun county from the fifth judicial circuit, and make it the 37th judicial circuit; provide for rural high schools; relative to the care of persons affected with smallpox and "other dangerous diseases;" authorizing members of legislature to administer oaths, etc.; amend commercial fishing law for waters of Green bay in Menominee and Delta counties.

Gov. Bliss has signed the anti-color oleo bill. The following bills were passed by the house on the 27th: Amending the charter of Calumet, Houghton county, relative to public schools; authorizing the board of supervisors in Muskegon county to meet in regular session two times a year to be held first Monday in May and second Monday in October, elect chairman of board at first meeting, and to receive \$3.00 a day and expenses for their services; authorizing Alpena county board of supervisors to purchase certain lands for an agricultural county park; relative to limiting the claims of overseers of highways to five days at \$1 a day for his time; giving the executors the authority under the judge of probate to make private sales up to \$2,000, instead of the present law which is \$1,000; amending the law by authorizing the judge of probate to allow guardians in making private sales up to \$2,000 instead of \$1,000; creating a sinking fund to take care of the Wayne county building bonds; authorizing the board of managers of the soldiers' home in appointing the commandant as guardian for any member, he to receive no compensation for his services, he is also probate; naming the rank of officers of the Michigan Soldiers' home; authorizing the judge of probate to license executors, guardians, and administrators who borrow money by mortgaging, pledging estates of deceased person, all persons under guardianship, and requiring that before executing such order, the executor, administrator or guardian shall give a bond as near as

may be required by law. The senate on the 25th passed Senator Atwood's concurrent adjournment resolution calling for no business after April 20 and final adjournment on May 4, but it was done in such a way as to leave the impression that it was for the purpose of trying to help along the spring election.

The senate passed the following bills on the 27th: To authorize the prosecutor of Oakland county to appoint an assistant; relative to ejectment; proposing a constitutional amendment empowering the legislature to appropriate money for highways; making certain shool police laws applicable to Portage township, Houghton county; authorizing the auditor-general to deed a lot (observatory lot) to Grand Rapids; to amend the law relative to commencement of suits against joint defendants residing in several counties; amend laws relative to garnishment proceedings in circuit courts; to amend the law authorizing proceedings against garnishes; senatorial reapportionment bill; to amend law relative to the sale of perishable property; to provide for the incorporation of associations for building and owning buildings for stores, offices, halis, etc.; amend charter of the public schools of Calumet. The following bills were passed by

the house on the 27th: Additional stated

appropriation of \$6,000 a year for clerk

hire in the attorney-general's office; to

detach certain territory from the

township of Spalding, Menominee Co.,

and to organize the township of Perron therefrom; providing that the salaries of the officials of Springwells township shall be spread upon the tax rolls, instead of being paid out of the general fund; also allowing the supervisor \$300 a year extra for clerk hire; authorizing the township of Paw Paw to borrow \$15,000 for the construction of a public building; confirming the organization of school district No. 7, fractional, of Lansing and Meridian township, Ingham county; authorizing Michigan fire and marine insurance companies to invest 50 per cent of their funds in foreign railroid bonds of roads that have paid dividends of at least 4 per cent for the last 10 years and whose bonds are secured by first mortgages; making certain school police laws applicable to Portage township, Houghton county; authorizing township of Grant to borrow \$5,000 to pay judgments; amending charter of Port Huron; authorizing summer resort associations to appoint three assessors to apportion the taxes paid by the association among the owners of cottages; also empowering the association to use its highway labor tax on its own grounds; to protect owners of stallions; providing that not more than \$2,000 of the drain tax assessed against year; providing for the appointment of the soldiers' monument commission, to cines, but all to no avail. He says: be composed of five members appointed by the governor, who shall select a suitable design for the state soldiers' monument to be erected on capitol grounds; providing that slaughter houses within a mile of any city shall have a proper water supply and proper sewage facilities; deficiency appropriation for Michigan Soldiers' Home, \$7,200; making the president of the village of Harrisville ex-officio members of the board of supervisors of Alcona county; providing that any light guard or military company which has made application to be accepted as a company of state troops may be incorporated for the purpose of erecting an armory; providing that the members of the veteran or civil corps of any light guard or military company in the state shall be entitled to membership therein as corporators; to provide for the incorporation of trustees of religious denominations; fixing time when sheriff's certificate of sale of real estate under execution shall expire.

The following bills were passed by he senate on the 28th: time one year-to 1902-when delin quent tax lands in North Muskegon shall be sold; to incorporate the public schools of Alpena; to amend Port Huron charter; repealing the provision requiring the filing of statements of election expenses; amending school laws so trustees cannot take contracts from the board; requiring a viva voce vote instead of secret ballot in political conventions in Kent county; to prohibit foreign corporations from doing business in Michigan unless they comply with all provisions of the statues: amending general provisions relating to corporations; bill drafted by secretary of state to cover defects in present laws; including mental labor, editors, etc., in the law giving menual labor the right to a labor lien; to prohibit the manufacture and sale of impure black pepper; to authorize to town of Grant, in Iosco county, to borrow \$5,000 to pay a judgment; to confirm the organization of school district No. 7 fractional of Lansing and Meridian

townships, Ingham county. The overdue German steamer Brutus, from Scotland for Kiel, has been lost vith all on board.

The circuit court at Cleveland on the 23d decided that the eight-hour day law for city employes enacted by the last legislature was unconstitutional. The judges based their decision upon similar decisions in New York and Nebraska.

CHINA WAR NEWS.

Advices from Macedonia say a band of Turks massacred three Bulgarian families, men, women and children, in the village of Aghamahalleh, near Seres, a town 47 miles northeast of Salonica. It is also reported that anrequired to file a bond by the judge of other village with a mixed population of Mussulmans and Bulgarians has been burned.

> Patrick Dolan, district president of he United Mineworkers' association, announced on the 25th that after a conference lasting more than three weeks the operators conceded the demands made by the miners in the new wage scale, and a fair settlement for the Pittsburg district has been effected.

Seven bandits partial lywrecked the State bank of Somerse, Ohio, on the 26th, by exploding a heavy charge of nitroglycerine in the vault doors. They secured \$5,000, appropriated two livery rigs, held a posse of citizens at bay and escaped in the face of a heavy fire.

Transplanting Races Improves Physique. It is asserted by ethnologists that the transplantation of the European races to newer countries results in the improvement of the physique. The French Canadian, for example, is of more hardy frame than the Frenchman in his own country, and the colonialborn Englishman, whether in Canada, South Africa or Australasia, is, on the average, slightly taller, though not heavier, than the natives of those islands. But, probably, the most striking example of increased stature is to be found in the South African Dutchmen, and especially in the Boers of the Transvaal. All travelers agree that not only are the Boers, physically, a much finer race than either the French or the Dutch, from whom they are descended, but that they are probably the tallest race of white men in the world. Two reasons for this remarkable increase in stature naturally suggest themselves. First, the almost perfect climate, which makes the open-air life of the South African uplands the healthiest in the world, and secondly, the struggle for existence which the emigrants had to fight with the wilderness and the natives.

INDIAN MSISIONARY'S STORY.

Years of Tollsome Ministry Among the Choctawa

Little York, Ind., April 1.—(Special). -Twenty-five years ago the Rev. C. H. Thompson left Indiana. For a time he preached in Arkansas, afterwards entering on the regular missionary work among the Choctaw Indians.

For five years he lived and labored among the full bloods of the western prairies, until on April 5th, 1885, having lost his wife, he left the circuit on which he had preached so long, and commenced traveling missionary work among the Indians of the various tribes scattered in the west.

This irregular work involved a great deal of travel over the prairies. The drinking of so much alkali water, brought on kidney troubles which terminated in Diabetes.

Finally, while laboring among the Creek Indians at Wagoner, Indian Territory, this noble man was stricken down completely. A Chicago specialist was summoned, and after a careful examination declared that there was not the slightest chance of his retownships shall be assessed in any one covery. Besides the prescriptions of the doctors he tried many other medi-

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