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Labor and Factory Statistics.

The twenty third Annual Report of the Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics and Factory Inspection of Michigan is out and this office is in receipt of a copy through courtesy of Hon. Malcolm J. McLeod, Com'r of Labor.

Charlevoix County industries were inspected during the months of September and October, 1905, by W. S. Tucker, Dep'ty Ins., of Big Rapids. Eleven factories were inspected at East Jordan, 255 persons being employed in these, 12 employed on public work, with an average daily wage of \$1.65. The Inspector considers the industrial outlook (for East Jordan) good with condition better than a year previous.

The personal report of Mr. Tucker includes a review of the Canning industry in this district, and in view of the fact that East Jordan citizens are endeavoring to interest parties along this line, we herewith give an extract concerning same:—

Immense Canning Industry.

I wish to say a few words regarding the many good canning factories in this district. We claim to have the largest and best factories of this class in the United States. A factory at Fremont, Newaygo County, has canned the peas from 1,000 acres of land this season; also several thousand bushels of peaches, apples and smaller fruits. They have paid over \$60,000 for the stock. At Shelby, Oceana County, is one of the best canning factories in the state. It is under the management of J. Mikessell & Company. It makes a specialty of preserves, also canning all kinds of berries and vegetables. They have this season put up 27,800 cases of different kinds of fruit, and have paid the farmers in and near Shelby approximately \$20,000. At the village of Hart, Oceana county, is located the largest canning factory in the United States. They employ about 350 men and women, and some boys. They pay their wage earners about \$36,000 annually and their raw product costs them about \$200,000. They have canned this season 5,000,000 cans of peas, grown on about 2,000 acres of land, besides putting up 1000,000 cans of corn. In addition to this they have canned thousands of bushels of peaches, apples and small fruits, and have used two carloads of labels for cans this season. At Pentwater, Oceana county, Sears & Nichols are extensively engaged in canning fruits and vegetables. Their output has been about 2,000,000 cans this year and they pay annually several thousand dollars for labor and product. Traverse City, Petoskey, Elk Rapids, Central Lake and Arcadia also have very good canning factories.

Life Lost In Fire.

Alba, Mich., April 23.—The farm residence of Fred Fisher was burned to the ground and the 9-months-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Fisher was consumed by the flames. Mr. Fisher left the house for this place, about two miles distant, but could not have been out of sight when the flames appeared above the roof. Mrs. Fisher had taken three children with her to the neighbors on an errand, soon after her husband left, leaving the 9-months-old baby alone. Neighbors rushed to the scene, but could not reach the child, which was left in the kitchen.

It is thought the fire started from the kitchen stove.

One Reason.

The Press attributes one reason for the success of mail order houses to their ability to paint in words and with printed illustrations prettier pictures of their wares than a personal inspection will produce. Distance lends enchantment to the view. An active and impressionable imagination can see beauties in articles advertised in a mail order catalogue that will fade to ugliness under a personal inspection. Is it any wonder then that the catalogues continue to get in their work to the profit of the city concerns and to the detriment of their country customers? The rule to buy nothing without an examination of quality would save many patrons of city mail order houses, much money and worry. If you are disposed to give your home merchants an opportunity to compete with outsiders, give them a chance to compare quantities and prices before you send your good money away for questionable merchandise.—Adrian Press.

Eighth Grade Examination.

The annual eighth grade examination for Charlevoix County will be held on Thursday and Friday, May 3-4, at the following places:—Boyerne City, Charlevoix, East Jordan West Side, and Boyne Falls.

Applicants will be expected to come provided with legal cap paper and pens or pencils.

"The Landing of the Pilgrims" will be used as a basis for the examination in reading.

Examination begins promptly at 9:00 A.M.

TO TEACHERS.

I have on hand some circulars containing definite information in regard to the June, August and October teachers examinations, which I would like to place in your hands if you are expecting to write at any of those examinations.

Will be glad to mail copies of same to persons who are preparing to write.

J. H. MILFORD,

Com'r of Schools.

Ye Singin' Skewl.

A recent copy of a Ste. Marie paper contains an interesting account of a local play under above caption in which two of East Jordan's former residents took leading parts. They were Mrs. H. R. Hitchcock and Oscar Hitchcock who took the part of Mrs. Goodman (wife of the Parson) and Isreal Goodman. The play is spoken of highly by the press of that city and the plot was as follows:

The first scene was a typical donation party of the times in which the scene was supposed to have been laid. Prof. Sing considered this his opportunity to secure scholars for his "singin' skewl," and it was here, too, that he met his fate. Not, however, without considerable opposition. Scene second was laid in an old fashioned school house where Prof. Sing taught music in "ye olde way." The Yankee peddler was amusing in the extreme and the "farm menagerie" beyond description. Deacon Close in all his generosity and Jonas Jordan, the bachelor, were real persons in real life whom you should know, and the deacon's economical wife lent an amusing contrast to her husband. All of the parts were taken by those best adapted to them.

Bird Criticises William Alden Smith.

Attorney General Bird does not take kindly to the suggestion made by a few of the newspapers, notably the Detroit Free Press and the Grand Rapids Herald editorially, recommending the relinquishment by the State of the claim for the penalty of one per cent a month on past railroad taxes.

The Attorney General is especially severe in his criticism of the editorial in the Grand Rapids Herald. Mr. Bird has this to say regarding William Alden Smith's editorial:

"This proposition of William Alden Smith's is equivalent to a proposition to give to the New York Central and the Pennsylvania Railroad company \$1,000,000 which belongs to the taxpayers and school children of this state. Those two railroad interests own upwards of three-fourths of the railroad interests of the state in value. The New York Central owns the Lake Shore and Michigan Central; the Lake Shore owns the Big Four and will own the Pere Marquette as soon as it is cut loose from the C. H. & D.

"Just how a man who is asking the people of Michigan to send him to the United States senate can sit down and coolly and deliberately suggest to give away the people's money in that way is beyond my comprehension. That might show his fitness to represent the railroads in the senate; but not the people's interests. The taxpayers and school children of this state will do well to paste this in their hats."

If this tax suit had been won by the State against a private individual there is no question that the full payment of every cent of penalty would be exacted, and there is no valid reason why an exception should be made for the benefit of a rich corporation. If the State can with justice exact a penalty from a delinquent individual taxpayer, it can and should do so when the delinquent is a big corporation.

With the naked eye President Roosevelt thinks he can see a few spots on the packers, although they are fresh from their immunity bath.

Surprised Himself.

A good story is told on a farmer living a few miles south of the city, who has worn the same old suit of clothes until everyone was tired of seeing him in it, and his wife was ashamed to see him come to town in the faded togs.

One day last week after selling some produce in the city, he determined to buy a new suit, and surprise his wife. He walked into a clothing store, purchased a fine new suit, put it in the back of the wagon and hurried for home. At Spooner's bridge he stood up in the wagon, peeled off the despised old suit and threw them into the river, then he reached for the new clothes. They were gone—had jolted out of the wagon.

The night was cold and his teeth chattered as he bumped along towards home. He surprised his wife even more than he anticipated.—Cheboygan Democrat.

In The Country.

When the thermometer had dropped far below zero good Mrs. Rogers was much disturbed at the recollection that Huldah, the new kitchen maid slept in an unheated room. "Huldah," she said, remembering the good old custom of her girlhood, "It's going to be pretty cold tonight. I think you had better take a flatiron to bed with you."

"Yes, ma'am," said Huldah, in mild and expressionless assent.

Mrs. Rogers slept soundly and free from care, secure in the belief that the maid was comfortable. In the morning she again visited the kitchen. "Well, Huldah," she asked, "how did you get along with the flatiron?" "Well, ma'am," she said, "I got it nearly warm before morning!"

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