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The Crops in Michigan

Monthly Review Given by the Secretary of State.

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WHEAT—The condition of wheat on April first in the State was 78, in the southern counties 73, in the central counties 82, in the northern counties 89 and in the Upper Peninsula 98. The condition one year ago was in the State and southern counties 86, in the central and northern counties 85 and in the Upper Peninsula 94.

The average depth of snow on March 15th in the State was 5.32 inches, in the southern counties 1.41, in the central counties 4.53, in the northern counties 13.34 and in the Upper Peninsula 23.35 inches.

On March 29th the average depth of snow in the State was 1.42, in the central counties 0.05, in the northern counties 2.85 and in the Upper Peninsula 17.75 inches.

The number of days protection to wheat by snow, in the State was 16, in the southern counties 10, in the central counties 21, in the northern counties 26 and in the Upper Peninsula 30.

In answer to the question, "Has wheat during March suffered injury from any cause?" 134 correspondents in the southern counties answer "Yes" and 51 "No," in the central counties 29 answer "Yes" and 65 "No," in the northern counties 4 answer "Yes" and 78 "No," and in the Upper Peninsula 20 answer "No."

The total number of bushels of wheat marketed by farmers in March at 60 flouring mills is 40,710 and at 82 elevators and grain dealers 61,694 or a total of 102,404 bushels. Of this amount 75,214 bushels were marketed in the southern four tiers of counties, 22,284 in the central counties and 4,906 in the northern counties and Upper Peninsula.

The estimated total number of bushels of wheat marketed in the eight months, August-March, is 7,000,000. Fifty-five mills, elevators and grain dealers report no wheat marketed in March.

RYE—The average condition of rye in the State is 84, in the southern counties 80, in the central counties 88, in the northern counties 91 and in the Upper Peninsula 99. One year ago the condition in the State and southern counties was 90, in the central and northern counties 89 and in the Upper Peninsula 98.

MEADOWS—The average condition of meadows in the State is 89, in the southern counties 87, in the central counties 90, in the northern counties 94 and in the Upper Peninsula 101. The condition in the State one year ago was 88, in the southern counties 86, in the central counties 87, in the northern counties 91 and in the Upper Peninsula 98.

LIVE STOCK—The average condition of horses and cattle in the State is 95, sheep and swine 94.

FRUIT—Fruit correspondents throughout the State report that the winter has been very favorable for fruit and that present prospects are above the average. The following table shows the prospect for an average crop of the various kinds of fruit in the State and the different sections.

	Southern Counties.	Northern Counties.
Apples.....	84	91
Pears.....	81	85
Peaches.....	76	84
Plums.....	81	88
Cherries.....	85	92
Small fruit.....	87	88

In regard to the question "what per cent. of orchards are being sprayed?" correspondents report 44 in the State, 48 in the southern counties, 33 in the central counties, 45 in the northern counties and 12 in the Upper Peninsula.

COLEMAN C. VAUGHAN,
Secretary of State.

Woman's Ingenious

Handbag Seat

With a woman's ingenuity, Katchine V. Minehart of Philadelphia has patented No. 1, 140,997, a hand bag composed of two similar sections hinged together at one end to form the bottom of the bag and connected at their edges by the flexible sides of the bag of such size as to permit the bag to be opened, so that one of its similar sections may serve as a seat, and the other as a back rest for a person sitting on the seat, when the latter is flat on the ground or other support.

COMBINED AGES OF TEN MEN IS 760 YEARS

Birthday Party at Wm. Harrington's Where Ripe Old Age Predominates.

In honor of William Harrington's birthday anniversary last Tuesday nineteen members of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. gathered at his home on the West Side to assist him in celebrating the event. Of the gathering assembled there were nine ladies whose combined ages amounted to 599 years, and the ages of ten Grand Army veterans present amounted to 760 years. It is against newspaper propriety to venture on the delicate subject of a lady's age, so only a list of the gentlemen follow:

Fowley Steel...aged 83 years
L. C. Madison...aged 76 years
George Bowen...aged 77 years
John Cummins...aged 73 years
James Handy...aged 74 years
J. W. Rogers...aged 79 years
Frank Smith...aged 73 years
George Pringle...aged 76 years
Aldrich Townsend...79 years
William Harrington...70 years

The event was a pleasant affair, and the afternoon's dinner was established by several of the host's poultry that had insisted on bothering the neighbors.

ELBERT BEDE SAYS

Senator Clapp of Minnesota may be just the encore.

Kissing is said to spread the grip. Kissing does not quiet a grip on us.

After an automobile turns turtle it does not travel as fast as it did before.

The man of 80 hasn't much sympathy for the man of 45 who talks about getting old.

The folks who are looking forward to the end of the world are going to injure their eyes.

When we hear a person say that he always calls a spade a spade, we feel like saying, "O, Shovel!"

Sometimes we suspicion that a woman's tears are for the purpose of getting a chance to laugh at us.

The man who talks about flying machines these days is no longer accused of having a flight of fancy.

The trouble of doing a favor sometimes is that others will consider that you have done them a wrong.

The easiest way to swindle a man is to tell him he is capable of certain great things when he knows it is a doggone lie.

Sometimes a man thinks he is making a noise that should impress the world, while those who watch him wonder what he is making such a face about.

A girl in skin tight on the stage doesn't attract as much attention as she would on the street the next day in full dress holding her skirts a foot too high.

About the worst pessimist in the world for the time being is the little boy who has been shown a cord of wood which he must saw and split during vacation.

Uncle Sam trying to act as a peace intermediary at the present time would probably be in about the same position as the umpire in a ball game between two home teams.

A person shouldn't be considered a pessimist merely because he finds that the opposing administration has done everything wrong, nor an optimist because he can see nothing wrong in the action of the members of his own party.

History of the Week as it Isn't

Monday, Apr. 10.—T. DeWitt Talmadge invents Pinocle, 1867.

Tuesday, Apr. 11.—Michael Angelo paints a life size portrait of Andrew Carnegie, 1902.

Wednesday, Apr. 12.—Emperor William forbids the Crown Prince playing with a pop-gun, 1870.

Thursday, Apr. 13.—Rameses II poses for Charles Dana Gibson, 1916.

Friday, Apr. 14.—Robert Fulton talks across the continent, through the telephone, about his steamboat invention, 1790.

Saturday, Apr. 15.—Ivan the Terrible, of Russia, weeps over the tomb of Napoleon, in Paris, 1800.

Sunday, Apr. 16.—Sir Joshua Reynolds assists the Queen of Italy in the composing of "Carmen," 1799.

In Agreement

The milkman was new to his job and lacked the wisdom of more experienced members of the species.

"It looks like rain this morning, m'm," he said, pleasantly, gazing skyward, as he poured the milk into his customer's jug. "It always does," said the customer.

Boost for East Jordan and Michigan

When you buy goods at home you have the opportunity of seeing what you are buying and if everything is not just right the difficulty can be adjusted promptly and satisfactorily without expense or loss of time.

It is to be regretted that occasionally a merchant is shortsighted and does not appear willing to render the right kind of service to his patrons. Such a policy is inexcusable and such merchants are a disgrace to their community and a hindrance to their town.

BUT! There are also altogether too many consumers who are running bills from thirty days to one year at their dealer's expense and annoyance, often times forcing him into bankruptcy, and during that same period are sending hundreds of miles away without even giving the local man an opportunity to bid upon the order.

There is not a drop of red blood in such an individual's veins or a spark of patriotism in his make-up. His community would be better off without him.

We once heard a man excuse himself for ordering goods of a mail-order house in another state by saying that the local dealer was holding him up, yet upon investigation learned his dealer was worth only a few hundred dollars while the mail-order house was worth several millions, so evidently had not held up as many as the other fellow.

We ascertained by asking a few questions that this particular person had run a bill with his dealer for over six months and yet was complaining because the merchant could not quote him as low a price on a small order on a six month's credit basis as the mail-order house would on a good sized order, cash in advance. The home merchant was a tax-payer and a part of the town that made this party's property more valuable while the mail-order house never paid a dollar's worth of taxes in Michigan, but on the other hand was drawing upon the resources of the town and the State, making them poorer instead of richer.

Shame on any person who would even listen to such an argument without making a protest. Shame on the fellow who makes it a hundred times more.

Michigan folks should get together and work hand in hand for the advancement of their own prosperity. Common sense teaches it is the proper thing to do.

MICHIGAN MERCHANTS AND MICHIGAN PEOPLE GIVE EACH OTHER A FAIR SHOW—BOOST MICHIGAN.

REMOVAL NOTICE

Owing to the ill health of my father he has decided to have me take charge of the Men's and Boy's clothing and furnishings department of his store.

I will endeavor to give to the people of this community the best service that I am capable of in my new capacity.

I wish to thank my many friends who traded with me in "The Toggery" for their past favors and hope to give them even better service in my new field.

We will continue to handle the same good lines only in a greater range and variety. Our aim will be to give the best at the lowest price possible.

Again thanking you for your past patronage and hoping that I may continue to serve you I am always at your service.

MOSES WEISMAN.

Commission Proceedings.

Special meeting of the City Commission held at the commission rooms, Wednesday March 29, 1916.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Cross. Present—Cross, Gidley and Lancaster.

Minutes were not read.

The petition of Geo. Spencer asking the Commission to appoint a member of an arbitration board to determine the extent of damage by fire to his building at the corner of Main and Williams streets, according to the provisions of ordinance No. 40, was placed on file.

In accordance with the provisions of said ordinance No. 40, the Mayor appointed H. I. McMillan as the city member of said board and on motion by Gidley the appointment was confirmed.

On motion by Lancaster meeting was adjourned.

Regular meeting of the City Commission held at the commission rooms, Monday evening, Apr. 3rd, 1916.

Absent—Cross, Gidley and Lancaster. No quorum being present, meeting was adjourned.

OTIS J. SMITH,
City Clerk.

A Delightful Desert

Is well worth getting acquainted with because it will serve a company of 30 people at a cost of sixty cents. It requires one quart of milk, one pint of cream, two cups of sugar, one pound of dates, and the juices of one lemon and one orange. Wash and chop dates and blend with the milk, then add cream, sugar and lastly the fruit juices. Pack in ice and salt and freeze. Could anything be simpler?

If a married man ever becomes truly great his wife nearly always assumes the responsibility for it.

School Commissioner's Notes

May L. Stewart, Commissioner

Spring visits begun. Ten schools visited on this second round. Part of these visited for the third time.

A new rotary attachment for manifold has been ordered for the commissioner's office. This is the duplicator which the supervisors authorized the purchase of to accompany the Underwood typewriter of last fall. One thing at a time. The duplicator will be a second lesson.

Spring promotion tests sent out this week.

Blanks for director's triplicate reports are on their way from Lansing.

Corn clubs in East Jordan and vicinity will be organized this week.

The large diplomas of honor for one year of perfect attendance are in demand now for the schools closing at the end of seven months. Parents should be careful not to let spring fever or the blue bird interfere with the attendance record at the last of the year.

Several school boards have issued invitations to the state inspector for standard schools to meet with them this spring. This does not bind them in any way. They merely wish to know where they stand.

Learn a Little Every Day

Nearly two hundred and fifty million dollars were spent in this country last year for good roads.

In this country from 30 to 40 per cent of the cases requiring charity are due to sickness.

Since the American occupation of Hawaii the leper population has decreased fifty per cent.

The Peruvians and Bolivians make boats of straw.

The latest piece of fire-fighting machinery is a tri-chemical engine.

A vessel is being built on Lake Michigan, to ply between California and Alaska.

Magnesia is being shipped from Skagway, Alaska, in large quantities, much of it for European countries.

The oxygen inhaler has made it possible to make balloon flights above 25,000 feet.

New York has 4,500 hotels and restaurants.

Meeting Unnecessary

He—So you know my wife?

She—Oh, very well indeed.

He—I wasn't aware you had met.

She—We haven't, but I have a maid who was employed in your house for two months.

ALONG THE FIRING LINE

Democratic State Committee of New Jersey would as soon be hanged for an old sheep as a lamb. At its recent meeting, not content with indorsing Wilson, the Committee went on record in approval of the Underwood Tariff Bill which is declared to have "substantially contributed toward the promotion of vastly improved times which are observable on every hand." We hereby offer a prize of one large red apple for each and every instance of "vastly improved times" to which the Underwood tariff has "substantially contributed."

Debating the Shields water power bill in the Senate, Mr. Nowlands of Nevada tried—and succeeded—to demonstrate that the Democratic majority in Congress has persistently legislated in defiance of the platform pledges of its party. This is not in the nature of the news, nor was it really illuminating to the debate. But it is refreshing to have an eminent Democrat stand up in either branch of Congress to admit it. The Nevada statesman was not content with showing that his party had violated the pledges of its platform of four years ago, but he quoted from earlier Democratic platforms to show that violation of campaign pledges is a Democratic habit. Fortunately, the country has no intention of giving the Democrats further opportunity to display their tendency in this direction.

Nebraska's Secretary of State has turned down a complaint that Bryan is not entitled to enter the Democratic primaries because he is not a Democrat so far, so good. Now that it has been officially determined that Bryan is a Democrat, cannot some method be devised to determine whether he is a Wilson man?

Dr. Wiley says he prescribed sugar for the Harvard football team and Yale has not won a game since. Yet the prescription of sugar which Woodrow Wilson's administration has just had to take will not have the same effect.

Every schoolboy knows the axiom, "The whole is equal to the sum of its parts." But Mr. Underwood evidently forgot his boyhood training when he drew his renowned "competitive" tariff bill. That measure provides for a ten per cent duty on cattle, and lets in free all the parts that make up cattle. The importer of a live cow must pay the ten per cent ad valorem on Bossy, but the bones, hide, flesh, hoofs, blood, horns, milk and hair of cows are on the free list. The same inconsistency exists in certain provisions regarding machinery. Some machines pay duty, but all of their parts may be brought in free. Did Mr. Underwood regard a cow or a steer as a piece of machinery—or what?

Having dilly-dallied and delayed consideration of legislation in every possible way, the Democrats in the Senate now plan to introduce a cloture rule to stifle debate, and Senator Gore is to introduce such a rule. This is for the purpose of relieving a congestion which has been caused by their own delays. The rule will prevent such careful consideration of bills as might otherwise have been possible, and there has been no disposition on the part of Republicans to block legislation. This is a Democratic method of going about the country's business used chiefly on the House side—procrastinate, then cut off debate—but which appears to have found its way into the Senate. They threatened cloture at the beginning of the session, the plan was killed in their caucus, and again makes its appearance. Seasickness is the result of following the Democratic changes of mind.

Fort Scott, Kan., Republican—To save our face, we had better not ask Villa to salute the flag.

Washable Toys are the Safest

Childish ailments are often difficult to account for, and even doctors are puzzled at times. But in cases like this one medical man, with children of his own, always asks: "Where are the children's toys?" Then often the problem is solved, and the case can easily be diagnosed as one of mild poisoning.

Most toys find their way into the children's mouths, the gaudy paint is sucked off, and trouble naturally follows. Some toys, wooden or tin trumps, for example, have the paint actually on the mouthpiece or within an inch of it. India rubber toys are favorites, but they should be uncolored, as the paint becomes brittle, breaks off, and a piece may be swallowed and cause severe stomach trouble.

Washable toys are always the best.

"OBSERVATIONS"

By Our Man About Town

He was only a young man—surely not more than twenty-two or twenty-three years old, yet he was at once recognized as a "tramp."

He approached me while I was standing on the platform at the depot, and asked for a match. Given the match, he thanked me in such a way that I was agreeably surprised, and, seeing that he was not anxious to get away, I decided to work into a conversation with him and, if possible, learn for my own satisfaction just why he was a tramp.

"No," he answered me, "I do not consider myself a tramp, although I do look like one and I imagine that is what I am in the eyes of all I meet."

I told the young fellow that people now-a-days consider every idle, ragged stranger a tramp and asked how he had fallen into his misfortune if he did not wish himself to be classed with other tramps.

"Well, sir," he told me, "I guess I have only myself to blame, but really I am not a bad sort. I left my little home town a few years ago and for a time worked in different cities. But I started traveling in the summer, found it pleasant, and it's a fact that 'tramping' as the world calls it is not such a hard lot. Of course I've been pretty hungry at times, and I've slept on bare floors, but I consider the experience worth it. I am getting to see the United States, and I probably never would have seen it had I stayed at my home town. I work now and then and very rarely have to beg. Sometime, and soon, I think, I am going to find work, prove myself capable, and climb to a respectable position."

Asked if he thought the average so-called tramp was like him he said he did not know, but that he imagined all of them rather liked it, as he, at least, had always been able to find work when he really wanted it.

Home Grown Daffydills

If you had been designing a new flag in colors, and found it would look better in black and white, would you use Pennon ink?

When a book is so bad that it gives you pain, why not have revenge by putting it on the rack?

If music were taught in the ocean, would it take long for a salmon to learn the fish scale?

Could a pair of black knitted gloves be called cow shade?

If a button was broken through the middle, could a needle and thread make the button whole?

Resolutions Passed by

Our Fair Association

Whereas, The Supreme Ruler of the Universe has called to his final resting place, our beloved President, Herbert L. Olney, whose death occurred at Petoskey, Michigan, January 3rd, 1916, and

Whereas, in his death our Society has lost one of its best and most respected members, and Charlevoix County one of its finest citizens,

Therefore, Be It Resolved: By the Charlevoix County Agricultural Society, that we give expression of our appreciation of the long service of Mr. Olney to this Society and extend to his family our sincere and heartfelt sympathy. He has been a faithful and untiring officer and member for many years. His rugged honesty and strict integrity coupled with his prudent and sound judgement made his presence in the councils of the Society of inestimable value. As a man he was kind, courteous and considerate. As a friend he will stand as an enduring monument to his memory and be an object lesson to all who knew, admired and loved him. Resolved Further, that this Resolution be spread upon the records of this Society and a copy duly engrossed presented to the family of the deceased.

Richard Lewis
Committee E. B. Ward
Frank H. Wangeman

Unanimously Adopted at a regular meeting of the Society held in the City of East Jordan, Michigan, February 17th, 1916.

H. B. HIPPI,
President.

Countersigned:

R. A. BRINTNALL,
Secretary.

The leap year girl who has a young widow for a rival has a poor show. What a wonderful old world this would be if the men who think they know it all could only prove it.