

MICHIGAN SCHOOLS

An Interesting Report Showing the Expenditure for Education in This State.

Lansing, Sept. 23.—The forthcoming annual report of Superintendent of Public Instruction Hammond gives some very interesting figures relative to the cost of conducting the public school system of Michigan last year. A synopsis follows:

It shows that the total resources, including the amount on hand from the previous year were \$7,867,646.55, while the total expenditures were \$6,683,024.50.

The receipts were as follows: Amount of one mill tax, \$690,978.87; amount of primary school interest fund, \$850,000.79; amount received from non-resident tuition, \$86,538.63; from district taxes, \$4,524,965.68; from loans, \$404,276.61; from all other sources, \$231,884.75; balance from previous year, \$818,897.41.

The following shows the total expenditures: Amount paid men teachers, \$1,075,621.36; women teachers, \$3,077,537.04; for buildings and repairs, \$221,154.89; interest on loans, \$118,996.94; amount paid on bonded indebtedness, \$462,222.39; for all other purposes, \$1,387,522.20; balance carried to this year, \$1,184,622.45.

The total expenditures of the graded school districts were \$1,519,090.84, and of the ungraded districts, \$1,701,911.80. The total bonded indebtedness of districts is \$1,826,955.53, and the total floating indebtedness, \$180,918.55. The total indebtedness of graded districts is \$1,734,970.52, and of the ungraded districts, \$2,121,911.80. The amount due the districts at the close of the year was \$257,105.90.

The average monthly wages of men teachers in graded schools was \$92.56, in ungraded schools, \$25.15, and in all schools, \$43.65. The average monthly wages of women teachers in graded schools was \$12.96, in ungraded schools, \$24.29, and in all schools, \$35.28.

The number of townships and independent districts reporting was 1,284; number of graded school districts, 672; number of ungraded districts, 4,485; total, 7,157.

The total school census of the graded districts was 402,715, and of the ungraded districts 301,015; a total of 703,730. The total enrollment was 287,274 in the graded districts; 208,715 in the ungraded districts, and 495,989 in the state.

The percentage of attendance was nearly equal in the two classes of schools, being 71.3 per cent. in the graded and 69.3 per cent. in the ungraded districts.

In the graded districts the average duration of school was 9.24 months in the year, and in the ungraded districts 8.61 months, or 8.62 months for the state.

A total of 741 districts in the state furnished free text books, this being an increase of 28 over the previous year.

The number of private or select schools that reported was 413, in which there were 406 men and 737 women teachers and 45,465 pupils.

The number of teachers necessary to supply the graded schools was 6,255, of whom 5,430 were women. Of the 6,485 teachers in the ungraded schools, 6,018 were women. The average number of months each teacher taught by men teachers during the year was 6.89, while the average for women teachers was 7.22.

There are 6,659 frame schoolhouses in the state, 1,471 brick, 74 stone and 251 log; a total of 7,385. The whole number of sittings in these schoolhouses is 614,013.

The estimate value of school property in the graded school districts is \$12,946,524, and in the ungraded districts, \$4,102,065, an aggregate of \$17,048,589.

A total of 6,493 districts report dictionaries in the schools, 5,305 report globes, 6,191 report maps, and 6,515 report United States flags.

The total number of towns and district libraries reported was 2,392, and the total number of volumes in such libraries, \$22,410. The total amount paid for the support of these libraries was \$10,179.90.

Seventy-two teachers' institutes were held during the year, with an aggregate enrollment of 7,042.

The total amount of primary school interest fund apportioned among the counties was \$1,048,554.55, the rate per capita for children included in the school census being \$1.50.

BANKER IS KILLED.

William Smith, President of the First National, of Charlotte, Mich., Loses His Life.

Charlotte, Mich., Sept. 25.—William Smith, president of the First National bank of this city, was killed Saturday by accidentally stepping on a moving log carrier, throwing him in front of the saw. The accident happened at Wolverine, Cheboygan county, where Mr. Smith owned vast lumber interests. Besides controlling the stock of the First National bank Mr. Smith was one of the wealthiest men in the county. He was a shiner, Knight Templar, Knight of Pythias and elk.

Big Shipment of Sheep.

Galesburg, Sept. 22.—The Blake brothers, of Comstock township, who are beyond question the most extensive breeders in sheep for breeding purposes in the United States, made the largest shipment in their history Tuesday. It consisted of 530 bucks and was consigned in three lots, to parties in Montana and Wyoming. One-third were coarse wools, the remainder being of the finer varieties.

Cucumber Harvest Ruined.

St. Joseph, Sept. 23.—The entire cucumber crop in the district northeast of Benton Harbor, representing over 2,000,000 bushels of small pickles per season for the last ten years, has in the last ten days been completely destroyed by a foreign small red bug. The new pest, although much smaller, belongs to the lady bug family. The total loss is estimated at over \$100,000.

Hospital Deed Accepted.

Ann Arbor, Sept. 23.—At the board of regents' meeting it was agreed to accept the deed of the property donated by the city for a site for the homeopathic hospital, notwithstanding that it compels them to forever maintain it for hospital purposes, and the building committee was authorized to advertise for bids to be submitted by October 10.

Lived Twelve Hours.

Battle Creek, Sept. 23.—Jonathan Edward Cappel, the Chicago & Grand Trunk brakeman who fell off the top of a freight train at Scotts, and had his neck broken, died in this city at the Nichols hospital 12 hours later. The physicians took quite an interest in the case, as it is rare that a person lives so long after having his neck broken.

Killed by a Bale of Wool.

Grand Rapids, Sept. 25.—Peter Sikema, aged 15, was killed at the felt boot factory. He was at work upon some bales of wool, when one fell off a pile and struck him on the neck, crushing him to the floor and breaking his spine. He lived but a short time.

NEW MEDICAL LAW.

Michigan's New Statute to Shut Out "Graduates" of "Diploma Mills" Goes Into Effect.

Lansing, Sept. 25.—Doubtless the most generally important of the acts of the last legislature which became effective Friday is that which provides for a state board of medical examiners. This act was drafted with a view to shutting out the "graduates" of the bogus medical colleges and "diploma mills." The new law calls for the immediate appointment by the governor of a board of ten members, not more than five of whom shall be of the regular school of medicine, two of the homeopathic, two of the eclectic and one of the physio-medical school. The members of this board shall be graduates of reputable colleges and shall have practiced their profession at least six years. Each applicant for a license is obliged to establish the fact that he is 21 years of age and a person of good moral character, and that he has already been registered under the previously existing act, which required registration without examination. Applicants are also entitled to registration upon the presentation of a diploma issued by any regularly organized and legally incorporated college of medicine, the fee in such cases to be ten dollars. It is provided that the board shall not register any person by reason of any diploma from any college which sells or advertises to sell diplomas "without attendance." All other applicants are required to pass a rigid examination, and a standing of 75 per cent. is required.

POOR BARBERS MUST GO.

The New Michigan License Law, It Is Thought, Will Improve the Profession.

Detroit, Sept. 23.—On Friday the barbers' license law became effective, although its enforcement will not be attempted until the expiration of 90 days. The barber will be allowed that time in which to provide himself with a certificate. Charles Rieger, secretary of the state board of examiners, says an effort will be made within the prescribed period to provide every eligible barber in Michigan with a blank application to be filled out and returned with a fee of one dollar. After that the board will meet at different points in the state, whenever occasion warrants, to examine candidates for statutory recognition. Such examination, however, will cost five dollars. To be eligible the applicant must have served at least two years in the business. It is expected the law will work a marked improvement in shops.

STREET CAR FIGHT ENDS.

It Is Announced in Detroit That the Troublesome Question Is Not to Be Reopened.

Detroit, Sept. 23.—Elliott G. Stevenson, Eli R. Sutton, J. C. Hutchins, Tom L. Johnson and B. T. Wilson had a long conference in New York Tuesday relative to the reopening of the municipal street railway campaign in Detroit. Mr. Stevenson announced upon his return that as a result of the conference the entire street railway deal contemplated under the McLeod act and later under the plan proposed by the Municipal Railway company is permanently and absolutely abandoned. The reason given is that Mr. Wilson refused to tie up his property with another option and that he also increased the price of the roads from approximately \$15,000,000 cash to \$17,000,000. As Pingree agreed to run for mayor if the street car fight could be reopened, failure to do this removes him as a candidate.

Railway Companies Combine.

Lansing, Sept. 23.—Although the articles of association are silent on this point, it is understood that the Pere Marquette Railway company, which has just been incorporated, will acquire the franchises, etc., of the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western Michigan and Flint & Pere Marquette companies, as has been talked for some time. The new company, so far as articles disclose, is organized only for the purpose of building 35 miles of road from Pentwater to Manistee, through Manistee, Mason and Oceana counties. The capital is \$1,400,000 and the life of the company is 99 years.

Bank Figures.

Lansing, Sept. 23.—A statement made by Bank Commissioner Maltz shows that the state banks of Detroit have aggregated loans and discounts, stocks, bonds and mortgages of \$43,083,761, the total resources and liabilities being \$52,966,655. The commercial deposits are \$11,903,567 and the savings deposits \$33,686,245. The increases in these items over June 30 are, respectively, \$1,916,716, \$1,918,750, \$1,117,145 and \$715,572.

Seeks Heavy Damages.

Mt. Clemens, Sept. 25.—Suit was commenced here by Mrs. Helen Barney against the Mt. Clemens & Lakeside Traction Railway company for the sum of \$10,000. The complainant's daughter Edith, aged 12, was run down and killed while crossing Front street by one of the company's cars on the 7th day of August.

A Big Train.

Battle Creek, Sept. 21.—A special train of 30 cars, loaded with 30,000 bushels of corn and oats, left here Tuesday afternoon over the Chicago & Grand Trunk for Portland, Me., where it will be shipped direct to Europe. Each car contains a large sign announcing where the grain is from, thus advertising the city.

Pearl from St. Joseph River.

St. Joseph, Sept. 23.—W. B. Ingham, of Benton Harbor, while superintending the removal of shells from the St. Joseph river a few miles south of this city, found a large shell which contained a large, valuable pearl, weighing over three carats.

The Coal Industry.

Labor Commissioner Cox has been making a special canvass of the soft coal industry in Michigan, which has been growing rapidly during the past few years. He says:

There are 17 soft coal shafts in operation in the state, and with the exception of the shafts at Jackson and Corunna they are all in the Saginaw valley. During the month of August 1,086 men were at work in the mines of the state, and if skilled miners could be employed 5,000 men could easily be kept at work in the industry and produce 15,000 tons of coal per day. As it is over 1,000,000 tons will be produced in 1920. The coal is as good as that mined in Ohio, and it exists in veins from three to five feet in thickness, invariably at a depth of from 100 to 200 feet.

Health in Michigan.

Reports to the state board of health from 75 observers in various portions of the state for the week ended September 16 indicate that pleuritis and tonsillitis increased and influenza decreased in area of prevalence. Consumption was reported at 203 places, measles at 9, typhoid fever at 94, scarlet fever at 36, diphtheria at 21, whooping cough at 14, cerebro-spinal meningitis at 2 places, and smallpox at Battle Creek and Maple Grove.

Conference of Health Officers.

The important meeting of health officials in Michigan will be held at Grand Rapids October 20 and 27, and the conference will probably be one of the most instructive and useful ones ever held in Michigan. Other prominent sanitarians of national reputation will be present. The state board hopes that every local board of health will send at least one delegate.

The School Laws.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jason E. Hammond has prepared a new compilation of the school laws of the state with an entirely new set of references, having referred to the new compiled laws of the state instead of Howell's statutes. The book will be ready for distribution in a few weeks.

Victory for Oleo Makers.

The supreme court has practically nullified the Michigan anti-oleomargarine law in an opinion that holds unconstitutional that portion which makes it a criminal offense to color any butter substitute so as to resemble genuine butter.

News Items Briefly Told.

Gen. R. A. Alger has announced his withdrawal from the candidacy for United States senator.

The first pension in Berrien county as a result of the Spanish-American war has been granted Mrs. Jennette Cousins, of Niles, in the sum of \$12 per month. Her son was killed before El Caney last July.

The twentieth annual reunion of the Seventeenth Michigan volunteer infantry, better known as the "Stonewall regiment," was held at Coldwater.

The educational institutions of the state are all booming this year, the increase in attendance being more marked than ever before.

The Johnson house, the only hotel in Stevensville, was destroyed by fire.

Fire at Clare destroyed two saloons, a grocery, tailor shop and barber shop.

There has been a great exodus of undesirable characters in Houghton since the supervisors announced the formation of chain gangs.

Allegan county farmers who experimented with sugar beet cultivation this season are well satisfied with the results.

The forty-ninth annual fair of the St. Joseph County Agricultural society will be held at Centerville, October 3, 4, 5 and 6.

It is said that frost has caused a loss of 1,000,000 bushels of potatoes throughout the state.

Ferdinand Frier, a prominent German hotelkeeper in Grand Rapids, was found dead in bed.

George Northrup, aged 40, of Newton township died from a dose of poison. He had only been married two days.

Fred E. Harvey, corresponding clerk of the Preston national bank in Detroit, was locked up on a charge of embezzling \$11,000 and is said to have confessed.

The sheds on the Stimson dock at Muskegon, together with a large quantity of shingles, were burned Sunday, the loss being \$18,000.

Burglars blew open a safe in a grain elevator at New Era, Oceana county, and secured \$150.

One of nature's remedies cannot harm the weakest constitution; never fails to cure summer complaints of young or old. Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes.

One size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into your shoes. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy; gives instant relief to corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Cures swollen feet, blisters and callous spots. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for ingrowing nails, sweating, hot, aching feet. At all druggists and shoe stores, 5c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address: Allen S. Olmsted, Ltd., Roy, N. Y.

Some Women Doubt

Many women think the bearing of children is a necessary period of great pain and distress. They doubt whether any medicine can relieve their sufferings. Well may they hesitate about taking those injurious internal mixtures so widely sold. But they may place implicit faith in THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO. which is a softening, relaxing and soothing liniment for external use. Doubting women should get a bottle at the drug store for \$1, and test it. There is no possibility of its doing harm, and there is every likelihood of its saving them many hours of pain.

THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO. ATLANTA, GA.

FULL OF INTEREST.

Much News from Localities in Michigan Will Be Found in These Paragraphs.

Bay City is after three-cent railway fares.

The new Northern Normal college at Marquette starts in with an enrollment of 55 pupils.

Howard Ayers, a U. of M. man, has just been called to the presidency of a college, the University of Cincinnati.

Arthur Jenkins, editor of the Grand Rapids Times, has been sentenced to jail for 30 days for contempt of court.

Charles D. Webster, of Bay City, has been appointed teacher in the Albuquerque (N. M.) Indian school at \$840.

George J. Grove, of Jessie, has been appointed manual training teacher in the Crook Creek (S. D.) Indian school at \$720 a year.

A baby of Mrs. Ardin Corwin, of Covert, while sitting in a high chair near the stove, tipped over and fell face downward into a pan of hot grease. It lived four days after being burned.

The union men at Grand Rapids are contemplating building a home of their own. They had a surplus of \$600 from the Labor day receipts, and propose to use it as a nucleus of a building fund for the erection of a labor temple.

Former Gov. Luce is preparing a history of the Chicago trust conference from the farmers' standpoint for the Michigan Farmer. He pronounced it a success from the educational point of view and says it was certainly an anti-trust gathering.

The weekly crop bulletin of the Michigan weather bureau says that killing frosts played havoc with late potatoes. Corn cutting is nearly completed all over the state, so that this crop suffered little. The apple yield is light and of poor quality.

Albion college reopened with a largely increased attendance and the best of prospects for a successful year. Three new instructors occupied seats on the platform for the first time. They are Prof. W. M. Burke, history and political economy; Prof. W. H. Blount, pedagogy, and Prof. Grant Stewart, belles lettres.

Justice Robert M. Montgomery, of the supreme court, who has just returned from a six weeks' stay in England and France, visited the law courts of the former country and observed the proceedings, and studied the manners and customs of the people with a critical eye. He reached the conclusion that the American lawyer is far superior to his English brother.

The works of the Robson Leather company, at Manistee, have been absorbed by the American Hide and Leather company, one of the largest trusts in the country, capitalized at about \$70,000. The Robson plant, being one of the largest in the country, turning out nearly 14,000 sides of sole leather per month, will not share the usual fate of plants included in combines, but on the other hand it is expected it will be considerably enlarged, and the present capacity nearly doubled.

RUSHING TO ANN ARBOR.

Already Six Hundred Students Are Enrolled and Year Is Likely to Break the Record.

Ann Arbor, Sept. 25.—There have already been enrolled over 600 students at the university. This is so far in excess of the number registered at a corresponding period in any previous year that this year will in all probability be a record-breaker. Secretary Wade, who is always very conservative about estimates, unhesitatingly says that the indications point to an increased attendance in all departments of the university. As to any definite estimate, he says it is too early to give any figures.

Much Money in Fruit.

St. Joseph, Sept. 25.—The shipment of grapes from this port is the largest of the season. The prices this year realized by the farmers are double last year's returns. Forty thousand packages were carried out of here Thursday night by the Graham & Morton line alone. The returns for peaches are better than ever. The late Crawford variety brings \$3.50 per bushel, and common ones at that.

Rural Free Delivery.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 25.—An order was issued at the post office department establishing rural free delivery at Lansing, Mich. A daily service will be supplied to a suburban population of 720, the carriers covering an area of 24 miles. The service will be inaugurated on October 2. Bert La Du has been appointed regular carrier, and Willett LaDu substitute.

Need Laborers.

Olivet, Sept. 25.—Work on the Columbus, Marshall & Northeastern railroad is being pushed. It is now within four miles of Olivet. Business is better than for any fall in ten years. Five new stores are being built and an elevator will be erected. Not enough laborers can be hired.

A Veteran Teacher.

Constantine, Sept. 25.—Theodore Rumbaugh, the veteran district school teacher, is engaged to teach the winter term of school in District No. 10. Mr. Rumbaugh has taught for over 42 years, 27 years in St. Joseph county, and in every district in Constantine township but two.

Sent to Prison.

Detroit, Sept. 22.—Judge Swan in the federal court sentenced William Kulp, convicted of making bogus dollars, to seven years' imprisonment and a thousand dollars' fine.

Violations of the game laws are frequent and open throughout the upper peninsula, and many deer have been killed since early spring in Houghton, Marquette, Iron and adjoining counties.

DON'T LOOK FOR WAR.

President Kruger Thinks Peaceful Settlement Will Be Made of the Transvaal Trouble.

Cape Town, Sept. 23.—Writing to an intimate friend here, President Kruger says: "Things are serious and will become graver, but a peaceful settlement will be attained."

London, Sept. 23.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "I have the best authority for the statement that the Orange Free State road has unanimously resolved to assist the Transvaal against British aggression."

Pretoria, Sept. 23.—Large numbers of local Danes, Germans, Frenchmen, Hollanders and Americans have offered their services to Commandant General Joubert in the event of hostilities.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—Believing that war between Great Britain and the Transvaal is imminent, most of the Russian newspapers make no attempt to conceal their sympathy with the Boers.

London, Sept. 23.—The cabinet has been summoned to meet next Friday. There are no new developments in the South African situation, and all the news this morning seems to indicate that both sides are waiting for the next move. Over 50,000 persons assembled in Trafalgar square yesterday and cheered for war with the Boers.

STRUGGLE IN A BANK.

Cashier Attacked and Mortally Wounded—His Assailant Captured—Latter Shot and May Die.

Chicago, Sept. 21.—Fred J. Filbert, cashier of the Bank of Palatine, at Palatine, a few miles northwest of Chicago, was mortally wounded Wednesday by having his skull crushed with a hammer. His assailant, who gives his name as Walter Lawton, and who presumably entered the bank for purposes of robbery, was shot through the intestines, presumably by the accidental discharge of his own revolver, and will probably die. Henry Plagge, a farmer, aged 65, who went to the rescue of Filbert, was severely beaten with the same hammer which had been used on the cashier.

Chicago, Sept. 22.—Walter Lawton, the assailant of Cashier Filbert, of the Palatine bank, died Thursday morning at the Alexian Brothers' hospital. He maintained to the last that the assault was made in revenge and not for the purpose of robbery, as is generally believed by the citizens of Palatine.

TRAGEDY ON A STAGE.

The Leading Lady of a Company Shoots and Kills the Leading Man in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 23.—Julia Morrison, leading lady of the "Mr. Plaster of Paris" farce comedy, shot and killed Frank Leiden, stage manager and leading man of the company, at the opera house on the stage just before the curtain rose for the performance to begin. The woman was arrested and taken to the city jail. It appears that the two had quarreled over the woman's alleged bad acting, Leiden accusing her of being but an amateur. The woman claims that Leiden repeatedly insulted her; that he had made improper proposals to her, and in self-defense she shot him.

ON THE DIAMOND.

Standing of the Clubs in the National League in Their Race for the Championship.

The following table shows the number of games won and lost and the percentages of the clubs of the National league to date:

| Clubs | Won. | Lost. | Per ct. |
|--------------|------|-------|---------|
| Brooklyn | 21 | 40 | .513 |
| Philadelphia | 21 | 41 | .513 |
| Boston | 22 | 43 | .505 |
| Baltimore | 24 | 34 | .520 |
| St. Louis | 22 | 41 | .513 |
| Cincinnati | 26 | 43 | .546 |
| Chicago | 20 | 45 | .513 |
| Louisville | 20 | 45 | .513 |
| Pittsburgh | 27 | 41 | .598 |
| New York | 25 | 43 | .577 |
| Washington | 29 | 37 | .625 |
| Cleveland | 20 | 42 | .513 |

Revenue Collections.

Washington, Sept. 21.—The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue shows that for the month of August the receipts from all sources amounted to \$24,420,980, an increase as compared with August last year of \$1,949,452.

"Best on earth for coughs and colds and all bronchial troubles; for croup it has no equal," writes Henry R. Whitford, South Canaan, Conn., of One Minute Cough Cure.

There's always hope while there's One Minute Cough Cure. "An attack of pneumonia left my lungs in bad shape and I was near the first stages of consumption. One Minute Cough Cure completely cured me," writes Helen McHenry, Bismarck, N. D. Gives instant relief. E. B. Longwell.

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NATURE'S CURE

Headache for Forty Years.

For forty years I suffered from sick headache. A year ago I began using Celery King. The result was gratifying and surprising, my headaches leaving at once. The headaches used to return every seventh day, but thanks to Celery King, I have had but one headache in the last eleven months. I know that what cured me will help others.—Mrs. John D. Van Keuren, Sangerfield, N. Y. Celery King cures Constipation and all diseases of the Nerves, Stomach, Liver and Kidneys. Sold by druggists, 25c and 50c. 2

AFTER TWENTY YEARS.

A Lady of Grand Rapids Strikes the Right Thing.

Many extraordinary cases of the work of the little conqueror are coming to light in Michigan. Hundreds of them have been investigated by our representatives and each but gives added strength to those which have gone before. Such well deserved words of praise are daily showered on this modern wonder-worker from all parts of the Union. Speaking of her experience a lady of Grand Rapids, Mrs. John Gardner, who resides at No. 309 Second street, says: "For over twenty years I was bothered with kidney trouble, and despite treatment by physicians and using almost every remedy that came to my notice, I received no permanent relief until I tried Doan's Kidney Pills. No one except those who have been through the mill of kidney complaint can tell the torture that one endures. The constant pains across my back extending up the right side; totally unable to lie on my right side; the stiffness and numbness of my limbs; the excruciating pain; is something much more easy to think about than to express. Many a time my husband has had to rub my back to get up the circulation before I was able to get on my feet. My family prevailed on me to try Doan's Kidney Pills, but as I had used