COOPERSTOWN,

N. DAKOTA

During the three months ending March 31 there were 147 persons injured in train accidents on the railways of the United Kingdom, as riod of 1962. From accidents of va-riod of 1962. From accidents of va-rious ports 283 railway servants were kilds. A against 277 for the corre-spending period of 1902.

deed stars probably outnumber hadiving stars by many, it may be as to one. Dark stars, although invisible to the eye, may yet be observation, as many of them, though ger luminous, must emit hest spectrum.

The Bashi-Bazouks are guerrillas from Asia Minor, are transported by the Turkish government to scenes of trouble and are then expected to make their own living from loot. Large numbers of them recently have been transported into Macedonia, but the sultan disclaims responsibility for their acts, saying they are an uncontrollable mob.

most decorated man in Paris is Municipal Councilor Deville. He was decorated this year by King Edward, and the czar, and now as the head of the municipal administration, by the king of Italy. The other town councilors refuse decorations in a spirit of republicanism, but Mr. Deville takes all he can get. He has more than 20.

A recent remarkable illustration of the influence of railway transportation on commerce is given by the opening of the western section of the Transsiberian railway. There were only 140 dairies in Siberia in 1898, which produced for export about 5,-000,000 pounds of butter. In 1902 there were 2,500 dairies, producing upward of 90,000,000 pounds.

William Smith, one of the oldest soldiers in the United States, died at his home in Communipaw avenue, Hoboken. He had been in the army over 50 years, serving in the Florida war. the Creek war in Georgia, the Mexican and the civil war. For several years he had been blind, but in other respects his health was good until a few days before his death.

The number of Europeans who speak English has doubled in a century, so that 27 per cent. of the population of Europe is English-speaking. There are far more English-speaking people outside England—in the United States, Canada and Australia—then in England; and now that English has been made compulsory in India about \$00,000,000 have been, or are in process of being, added.

An important change is the great improvement in the fleshlight from ation the other day. As all American travelers know, the Lizard light is the first they see from the ship in approaching the English coast, For more than 150 years the familiar louble lights have been shown from this promontory, but henceforth only one electric light will irradiate the . The light exhibits a flash every five

Rosy-cheeked girls as emissaries to educate the people of the southwest to the use of beet sugar instead of cane is the scheme of Henry T. Oxnard, the California sugar king, and he started a dozen of them out the other day. In Southern California, the heart of the beet sugar industry, thousand pounds of the cane product to a hundred of the beet is used, and Mr. Oxnard proposes by his unique in to change radically this state of fairs. A house-to-house canvass will

Parisians have become tired of the affel tower, once their pride and the it is asserted, are nearly \$4,000,000, and grand attraction of the exposition of 39, and are clamoring for its reval. Experts have been called upon to say how long the tower, if left to itself, will stand, and, with the usual diversity of opinion that characterizes experts in all lines, they fix the time at from 50 to 200 hundred years. In er to gain time and quiet clamor n the matter the authorities have pany that owns it ten years.

Decidedly queer objects have led ondon "hired girls" to rob their datresses of late, the quaintest being that of a damsel of 18, who stole \$9.50 in order to get a Bible. The girl had "gone in" for the Bible, which was an especially luxurious one, isstallment plan. She was to pay \$2,50 month and had done so twice. When the time came to pay the third installment, however, the slavey found reelf short, so, rather than lose the Book of Holy Writ, she stole half of a sovereign out of her mistress' desk.

Public patience was rewarded the her day by the death mask of the late President McKinley being placed on exhibition at the National muse Washington. For over a year hundreds of inquiries daily have been made of the men in charge of the hall American history, where the relics of other presidents repose, for some nto of President McKinley. The mask was taken off President McKin ley at 7 o'clock on Sunday morning, September 15, by E. L. A. Pausch at the home of John Milburn. It was unished in Buffalo.

Bristow Completes Papers Telling of Investigation and Suggests Change in System.

Hain Peatures of the Report in Which Postmarter General Payne is Given Credit for Beginning the Inquiry-Important Recommendations Are Included in Document.

Washington, Oct. 21. Joseph L. Bristow, fourth assistant costmuster general, who for the last half year has been head of the investigation of one of the great-est postal scandals in the history of the and may be photographed on plates government, completed his report to the sensitized to the infra-red rays of the postmaster general Thursday night, who, with a brief letter of transmittal. will forward it to President Roosevelt some time during the present week, probably before the cabinet meeting on Friday.

Main Peatures of Report. These are the main features of the report, the first of which will be a surprise to the public:

Postmaster General Payne is given the credit for beginning the investigation. Details of the inquiry into the cases now before the courts are reviewed.

Abuses which have grown up under the machinations of the Beavers-Machen ring are related in unmistakable lan-

Thorough reorganization of the bureaus of which Beavers and Machen had charge is recommended. Abolishing of office of superintendent of free delivery, formerly held by Ma-

chen, is recommended. Administrative acts during the Perry S. Heath tenure of office as first assistant postmaster general are criticised severely, although Heath is not named directly. The work of the inspectors who were brought into the postal scandal dragnet

is given high praise. The report criticises the administration of the Washington city postoffice, sustaining a large part of the Tulloch

charges. Important Recommendations. Among the most important recommendations regarding administrative changes will be that of looking to the abolishment of the office of general superintendent of free delivery. Mr. Bristow takes the ground that as there are already two superintendents in this division, one of city delivery and the other of rural delivery, each of these can manage his respective bureau without the

supervision of a general superintendent. Men Discharged. Washington, Oct. 22.-As a result of the report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, Postmaster General Payne has removed from office Michael W. Louis, superintendent of supplies; Louis Kemparr, chief of the resistry di-vision of the third assistant postmaster general's office, and C. B. Terry, a \$900 clerk in the department. He also directed the postmaster at New York to re-move Otto Weis, a clerk.

VESSEL STRIKES REEF.

Steamer South Portland Wr. the Pacific Ocean and Twenty-one Persons Probably Lost.

Marshfield, Ore., Oct. 21.—The steamer South Portland, which sailed from Portland, Ore., last Sunday loaded with wheat for San Francisco, struck on Blanco reef Monday evening at five o'clock during a heavy fog. The vessel carried a crew of 22 and 17 passengers. Of these 17 have reached shore. Charles Huzon, the first engineer, died of exposure as he was being taken off the life raft. Twenty-one persons are yet missing and probably lost.

Large Concern in Trouble. Peoria, Ill., Oct. 23.—The Acme Harvester company, one of the largest manufacturers of agricultural implements, has been forced to place its affairs in the hands of a committee representing the creditors and ask an extension of time. The assets of the company, considerably in excess of their liabilities.

2 Get Large Sum. Superior, Wis., Oct. 22.-When the Superior post office was opened . for business at seven o'clock yesterday morning the large vault was found to have been rifled of practically the entire supply of stamps, amounting to between \$15,000 and \$15,500. About ended the concession of the com- \$100 in fractional silver was also secured.

> Thanked by President. London, Oct. 23.—A cable message has been received in London from President Roosevelt thanking the American commissioners and counsel of the Alaskan boundary tribunal and expressing congratulation in the name of the people of the United States on the result of the tribunal's deliberations.

Broke All Records.

Boston, Oct. 22.—The battleship Missouri broke all previous records in her speed trials yesterday. She covered 33 nautical miles and return at an average of 18.05 knots, but when the tidal corrections have been made it is believed her actual rate will prove nearer 18.22

Pittsburg Bank Closed. Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 22.-The Federal national bank succumbed yesterday to a run of its depositors, and after nearly \$2,000,000 had been withdrawn failed to open its doors. It still owes depositors \$1,900,000.

Illinois Bank Falls Joliet, Ill., Oct. 22.—The Exchange bank, the only institution of its kindat Lockport, closed its doors yesterday with liabilities of \$111,000.

New York, Oct. 20.—After attending an early service in Madison Square Gar-den John Alexander Dowie's "Restorstion Host," numbering nearly 4,000, began Monday a house to house canvas of the city. Before giving them his final instructions, Dr. Dowie said: "Less going out to do a little restoration work avoid and I won't be far from Wall street. Pray for me."

New York, Oct. 21.-John Alexander Dowle was again hissed by his andience in Madison Square garden last state. At least one-half the audience left at the end of the first hour, many protest-ing indignantly at the language with which Dowie had entertained them. At times he did things which led to expressions of doubt as to his sanks

New York, Oct. 22.-Two hundred of the followers of John Alexander Dowie indicated that they were tired of the work of reforming New York city and wanted to return to Zion City, when the "general overseer" invited all who wanted to give up the work and give others a chance to take it up to step forward at the early meeting in Madison Square garden Taureday. New York, Oct. 24.—John Alexander Dowie started for Boston with his wife last night, ostensibly to see her start on her journey to Australia. He absolutely declined to indicate in any way when he will return to the city, and the information obtained indicated that he intends to sail with his family for Australia. So far as known Dowle has not made a convert in New York. His whole trip up to date has been a miserable fail-

BANDITS ROB BANKS.

Institution at Burton, Kan., Legted of \$2,000-Burglare Secure Small Sum in Illinois.

Wichita, Kan., Oct. 24.—A telephone essage from Burton says that three pandits dynamited and robbed the Burton state bank between midnight and one o'clock. The bank officials are reticent and will not give facts. There was no watch, and the slarm system was found to be out of order, and an investigation resulted in the discovery of the robbery.

The robbers secured but \$2,000. overlooking .. compartment contain-

ing a large sum of currency.

Cairo, Ill., Oct. 24.—The bank of Dr. H. L. Burnett, at Raleigh, five miles west of Eldorado, was broken into Friday by four men, who succeeded in blowing off the outside door of the vault. The explosion awakened Dr. Burnett and his son, who reside di rectly across the street from the bank. Dr. Burnett opened fire with a revolver and his son with a rine, and the robbers were driven off, but not until they had secured \$500 in pension checks notes and mortrages

DEADLY STORM

Thirty Persons Killed or Browned

Austin, Tex., Oct. 21.—Advices re-ceived here from Massilan, Mexico, state that the terrific storm which visited that city and port a few days ago caused considerable loss of life. In the city 16 people were killed and a number of others injured. The ships in the harbor also suffered much damage. The Danish schooner Clara was entirely wrecked and the captain and 14 milers were drowned.

Para Are Telescoped. Iowa City, Ia., Oct. 20 .- The Rock Island Umited, east-bound, crashed into an extra freight train, west-bound, while running at a high rate of speed at Oxford, west of this city, Sunday. A dozen persons were injured slightly, but no one was seriously hurt. The conductor and engineer of the passenger train les and sustained slight injuries. Abo persons were in the dining car when the shock came. The impact was terriso and the tables were upset and the smashed. Many persons were struck in the face and on their heads. The senger engine was turned over on its freight engine was badly wrecked.

Pardoned by President. Washington, Oct. 21.—The president has commuted to expire immediately the sentences of Marion Marshall Co rus Raines and Burton Harper, coal miners, who were convicted in West ing upon the canal question. Virginia of resisting a United States shal. They were sentenced on June 11, 1903. Marshall and Harper to imprisonment for eight months, and Rain to imprisonment for five months in the Raleigh county jail.

Football Victim Annapolis, Md., Oct. 22.—Out of a scrimmage between the naval emy team and the eleven of Baltimor medical college one player was dra out dead yesterday afternoon. B. Lewin, of Plainfield, N. H., & cocond-year man at the medical colle was the victim of the rough play. The fatality brought the game to an immediate end.

Seattle Bank Fails. Seattle, Wash., Oct. 20.-The branch of the International Bank Trust Company of America, which fullad Saturday, has closed its doors and is in charge of a receiver. The assets of the local bank are given as \$87,000, and the liabilities \$95,000. Seattle customers, it is said, will receive over 90 per cent of their deposits.

New Trotting Record. Wichita, Kan., Oct. 20.-Cre broke the world's trotting record for a mile Monday afternoon, going the distance in 1:59%, beating the previous record held by Lou Dillon and Major . Delmar by a quarter of a second.

Roosevelt Summons Congress to Consider Commercial Convention with Cuba.

Chief Executive Says It is Import to the Public Interests of the United States That the Agree Shall Become Operative as Early as Possible.

Washington, Oct. 21.—The president Tuesday issued the following proclama-

By the President of the United States

A Proclamation: Whereas, by the esolution of the senate of March 19. 1903, the approval by congress of the reciprocal commercial convention between the United States and the republic of Cuba, signed at Havana on December 11, 1902, is necessary before the said convention shall take effect;

And, whereas, it is important to the public interests of the United States that the said convention shall become operative as early as may be,

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States of America, by virtue of the power vested in me by the constitution, do tion for the current year. The proposed hereby proclaim and declare that an reduction will be made in the pension

THE ALASKAN AWARD.

London, Oct. 24.-With the excep tion of the Saturday Review, which displays its anti-American bias in an even more intense form than usual the weekly papers in their comments on the decision of the Alaska boun-dary tribunal adopt fairly impartial views and decline to believe that Lord Chief sustice Alverstone was actuated by other than honorable and judicial motives, or that he was guilty of the breach of faith charged against him

The Speaker, in an extremely sensible article, points out that the decision is perfectly consistent with the Behring Ses award, and that Canada ought to remember the triumph of yes terday in the bitterness of to-day.

ESTIMATES COMPLETED.

Secretary of Interior Names Sum Appropriations Necessary for Next Fiscal Year.

Washington, Oct. 24.—The secretary of the interior has forwarded to the secretary of the treasury his estimate of the appropriations necessary to conduct the affairs of the interior department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905. Theestimate places the total requirements for the department at \$156,000,000, which is about \$3,000,000 less than the appropria-

MERELY A SUGGESTION.



U. S .- There, Little Girl, Don't Cry. Why Bother About Any Boundary Lines at All.

extraordinary occasion requires the bureau and the Indian office. The esticonvening of both houses of the con- mate for pensions is \$136,800,000, or \$1,gress of the United States at their respective chambers in the city of Washington on the 9th day of November next at 12 o'clock noon, to the end that bureau. they may consider and determine whether the approval of the congress shall be given to the said convention.

All persons entitled to act as members of the Fifty-eighth congress are required to take notice of this procla-

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States at Washington the 20th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three, and the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-eighth. THEODORE ROOSEVELT. (Seal)

By the President:

a JOHN HAY, Secretary of State.

Isthmian Canal Question. Washington, Oct. 23.-While President Roosevelt designated in his proclamation calling congress into extraor; dinary session only the subject of Cuban reciprocity for consideration, it is reasonably certain now that the senate, at least, will have the isthmian canal question brought directly to its attention. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, has indi-cated to some of his collectures his in-tention of introducing a resolution bear-

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 21.-The banking concern of J. E. Brown, of Chatsworth, has made an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, Stephen Herr, of Charlotte, being assignee. Liabilities, \$33,177; assets, \$28,428. Brown had been in the banking business at Chatsworth for 20 years, but because of failing health recently could not devote his time to the

Negro Hanged Twice. Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 23.-Felix Hall, alias Henry Jackson (colored), was hanged here for the murder of Norwood Clarke, a young white man. When the drop fell the rope slipped and the man breathed heavily for ten minutes, when he was hauled up and hanged a second time, this time breaking his neck.

A Petal Pall.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 22.—Samuel E. Morse, aged 51, editor and proprietor of the Indianapolis Sentinel, fell from the third story of the Sentinel building at ten o'clock yesterday morning and lived but 15 minutes.

Millions for Harvard. Newport, R. I., Oct. 20.-Gordon Mc-Kay, inventor of the shoe-sewing machine, who died Monday in this city, is much more, to Harvard university.

700,000 less than the appropriation made for this year. There also is a cut of \$1. 300,000 in the estimate for the Indian

TEN MEN KILLED.

Bridge Builders at Pittsburg Are Thrown Into the River by Falling of Iron.

Pittsburg, Oct. 20.-By the breaking of the ropes carrying five beams to their poistion, letting the tons of iron fall upon the movable crane at the Pittsburg end of the new Wabash bridge being built by the American Bridge company over the Monongahela river, almost s dozen workmen were hurled to death by a fall of more than 100 feet, striking the water and two large barges beneath Ten dead bodies have been recovered. Five are seriously injured. The part of the bridge extending over the river from the Water street side is a total wreck.

Woman Charged with Forgery. Racine, Wis., Oct. 22.-A woman laiming to be Mrs. Evelyn M. Sherwood formerly of Boston, Brockton, Mass., and Harrisburg, Pa., was arrested Wednesday charged with having issued and passed forged checks. Mrs. Sherwood says she came to Racine for the purpose of opening a branch jewelry store for a New York firm. She gave several merchants checks on eastern banks, which result of injuries received at the hands were afterward pronounced to be worthless.

Echo of a Lynching. Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 22.—Fannie Bush, mother of James Dillard, who was ynched at Sullivan, Ind., November 19 1892, has filed suit for \$10,000 damages in the federal court against John S. Dudley, sheriff of Sullivan county, from who Dillard was taken by the mob and lynched. Sheriff Dudley's bondsmen are made defendants.

Pulp Mill Burned.

Ashland, Wia., Oct. 23.—The White River pulp mill, eight miles south of Ashland, was completely destroyed by fire Thursday, entailing a loss of \$50,-000, partly insured. George Danielson of Neenah, Wis., owned the plant, which was the only wood pulp mill in northern Wisconsin in active opera-

New Pacing Record. Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 23.-Dan Patch lowered the world's pacing record three-quarters of a second here vester day afternoon. He not only lowere his own record of 1:59, but clipped three-quarters of a second from the said to have left \$4,000,000, perhaps world's record held by Prince Albert, making the mile in 1:56%.

D'rector of the Mint Roberts Addresses Bankers' Convention at San Francisco,

By Percy R. Crabin. lays Precious Hetal Is To Our National Prosperity-Declares Shrinkage of Inflated Sec Not a Public Calamity-World's Stock of Gold Per Cantta. 1 289 114

San Francisco, Oct. 24.—All the gold nined in the world during the year 1902 was worth \$290,000,000. Of this the United States furnished \$80,000,000.

This was a statement made before the closing session of the convention of the American Bankers' association yester-day by Ellis H. Roberts, director of the mint. His speech was on "The effects of the inflow of gold."

In the United States on October 1 1903, the value of the gold money was \$1,277,362,651. The amount held in the national treasury was \$654,811,718.

Big Increase in Heldings, it of Mr. Roberts produced a long array of statistics to prove the contention that gold is the foundation of our national prosperity and said: "Our stock of gold is double that of Great Britain. The increase in five years here has been \$376,-021,387. At the present rate our gain before this calendar year ends, in stock of the yellow metal, will exceed that of

all European countries.
"This, too, when our population is onefifth of that of the European countries. Our stock of gold is \$15.80 per capita; that of France is stated at \$24.36; of Germany, \$13,54; of Austria-Hungary, \$6.01; of Russia, \$5.70; of Switzerland, \$9.06; of Sweden, \$3.42; of Norway, \$3.72."

Financial System Safe. The speaker said that the inflow of gold had magnified, if not wholly caused, the frenzy and the excesses in industrial securities. Those who have climbed must come down in no pleasant descent. But a shrinkage of inflated securities to true value is not a public calamity, although individuals may be crippled and though industry and enterprise may have to rest on their oars. Our financial systems cannot totter.

Credit Is Good, World at Prices undoubedly have been borne upward by the inflation, Mr. Roberts declared, and wages follow prices. In recentyears the advance has been swift and strong. The inflow of gold has much to

As to the world relations, the gold influx, the speaker said that our surpassing wealth has placed our nation's credit on a plane above that of all other countries. We fear no evil from exports of gold, for we can spare more than Europe can pay for in American obligations.

INDIAN CHIEF HONORED.

Monument Erected to Memory of Shabbons, of Pottawattamies, Dedicated at Morris, Ill.

Bloomington, Ill., Oct. 24.-A simple monument of gray granite to the memory of Shabbona, the famous chief of the Pottawattamies, was dedicated with notable ceremonies at Morris Friday. There were addresses by P. A. Armstrong, of Morris, president of the Shabbona Memorial association, Congressman Thomas J. Henderson of Princeton, and Charles Gunther, of Chicago. Shabbona aided the whites in their contests with the other Indians and was the orator of the red men in the last great council held east of the Mississippi and which took place with the agents of the government in 1836. He died in Morris in 1859 deeply respected.

Secures a Diserce Pittsburg, Oct. 22.—Peter K. Soffel, exwarden of the Allegheny county jail, was granted a divorce from his wife, Kate, the jury finding that the charge of infidelity was sustained. Mrs. Soffel was a sensational figure in the escape from the jail of the conviced murderers, Ed and John Biddle, nearly two years ago. For her part in the escape Mrs. Soffel is serving a sentence in the western penitentiary. She was not present at the trial, and no evidence in her favor was offered.

Held Without Ball. Peoria, Ill., Oct. 24. Shortly after six o'clock Friday afternoon the coroner's jury in the inquest over the remains of Thomas Hartley, inmate of the Bartonville asylum for the insane. returned a verdict that he died as the of Edward Sorrells and Samuel Flynn, attendants, and recommending that the two be held without bail on the charge of murder. Sorrells and Flynn

are now confined in the county jail. Pailed to Make Speed. Boston, Oct. 23.—The second-class protected cruiser Denver failed to make her contract speed, 17 knots an hour, in the government's trial test off Cape Ann Thursday. The Denver averaged 16.28 knots, and while the

tidal corrections will probably be in

her favor, they will not be sufficient

to bring her up to the required speed. Minnesots Bank Fails. Leseuer, Minn., Oct. 23.—The Farmers' and Merchants' bank, a private institution owned by W. H. and W. A." Patten, father and son, closed its doors

with liabilities of \$50,000. Ex-Governor Dead. Winchester, Tenn., Oct. 20.-Former Gov. Peter Turney, who has been ill for some time, died at his home here Monday

afternoon. Death of Mrs. Spurgeon. London, Oct. 23.-The widow of Rev. Charles H. Spurgeon, the noted preach-

er who died January 31, 1892, died in