

A pair of women's shoes made in Lynn, Mass., to establish a record for rapid shoemaking required 57 different operations and the use of 42 machines and 100 pieces.

Germany leads the list as a reading nation, and Russia is falling to zero. In 1923 23,607 books were published in Germany, as compared with 8,082 in Russia.

The biggest monkey ever exhibited is a gorilla 6 feet 10 inches high, with an arm spread of 9 feet 3 inches, from the Camarons, West Africa.

The new Springfield rifle is probably the most effective military arm in the world. At a distance of fifty feet it penetrates fifty-five one-inch pine boards placed one inch apart.

The production of coal in Belgium is one of its richest resources. The pronounced capability of the miners, experts for generations, brings from the earth's recesses an annual production of 23,000,000 tons.

Six women and four men were sentenced by the Paris criminal court recently to terms of imprisonment for a series of ingenious swindles by which they represented that they were legates and executors of fortunes which legal difficulties alone prevented them from enjoying.

Three men in Paris, whose names are well known in the scientific world, are projecting a balloon voyage across the Atlantic. They are Capassa, the aeronaut; Berget Sorbonne and M. Reclus, the famous geographer.

Notwithstanding the fact that women reach a greater age than men they have proved a losing venture to life insurance companies. Women are not prone to the excesses, nor exposed to the rough weather, nor liable to the accidents which shorten life.

Mrs. Overton, who lives near Gleason, Tenn., went to town the other day for the purpose of seeing a passenger train. She is 90 years old and has lived within 15 miles of the railway nearly all her life.

Dr. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the agricultural department, seems bent on finding out whether or not the chemicals used in curing meats and embalming beef are injurious to health.

Postmaster-General Payne has approved the new design for a two-cent stamp, which will succeed the flag stamp. The latter stamp has been in use about six months, and it has been greatly criticized by hundreds.

There is a Talmud parable to this effect: After Noah had established his vineyard and got on an occasional spree, he was visited by Satan, who drank with him.

SALVATION ARMY LEADER IS KILLED

Mrs. Booth-Tucker, Daughter of Gen. Booth, Meets Death in a Wreck in Missouri.

Breaking of a Rod Throws Four Cars from the Track—List of the Casualties—Mr. Tucker Presented by the News-Message from Gen. Booth, Father of the Victim.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 30.—On the way home from the Salvation Army colony in Colorado, and expecting to meet her husband Thursday in Chicago, Mrs. Emma Booth-Tucker lost her life in an accident to a Santa Fe train from California.

It was one of the most peculiar railroad accidents on record, and one which could not have been prevented by the Santa Fe. A rod on a Pullman car broke, and was rammed against the rails, throwing four cars from the track.

Lived Half an Hour. The wreck occurred at Dean Lake, Mo., 85 miles east of this city, about ten o'clock Wednesday night.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker lived for half an hour thereafter, and passed away at Marceline, Mo., after being taken thither on a red train.



MRS. BOOTH-TUCKER.

Her skull was fractured, and she did not regain consciousness after the accident.

Train Strikes Water Tank. The wrecked train was the east-bound California No. 2, which left Kansas City Wednesday evening at six o'clock for Chicago.

The train was derailed and struck a steel water tank, and all except the mail and express cars and the day coaches were wrecked.

Chicago, Oct. 30.—News of Mrs. Booth-Tucker's death completely prostrated Commander Tucker, who arrived in Chicago at 7:35 a. m. Thursday, expecting to meet his wife here about the same time.

Chicago, Oct. 30.—Gen. William Booth, commander in chief of the Salvation Army, has sent the following message to Salvationists throughout the world concerning the tragic death of his daughter, Mrs. Booth Tucker:

"I am suddenly prostrated with grief in the presence of what appears at the moment to be an indescribable calamity and an unfathomable mystery. I can only look up and say to my Heavenly Father: 'Thy will be done.'"

Chicago, Oct. 31.—The body of Mrs. Emma Booth-Tucker reached Chicago Thursday evening from the scene of the Santa Fe wreck at Dean Lake, Mo., and on Friday was removed to Princess rink, where thousands viewed the remains.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 31.—United States Senator Gorman in a speech Friday night denounced President Roosevelt for having raised the race issue in the south, warned him that the Anglo-Saxon never had tolerated and never would tolerate "the social equality or political domination of the negro."

Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 29.—Fire at Aberdeen, Wash., destroyed the Commercial block, containing seven stores and the post office. The fire was confined to that block. Loss, \$150,000.

SEES GENERAL PEACE.

Recent Events in France Form the Text of the Letter to President Loubet.

Paris, Oct. 31.—President Loubet informed the cabinet council Friday of the terms of the letter which he received from the czar. After renewing the assurance of his affectionate sentiments toward the president the czar expressed satisfaction at the happy events in which France has recently taken part.

In these events the czar sees a new assurance of the maintenance of general peace, which has been the constant aim of the policy of France and Russia, thus giving another reason why the friendly allied nations, having confidence in each other, should continue to manifest on all occasions their conformity of view and mutual sympathies upon their various interests.

CARNEGIE CUTS STEEL.

British and German Circles Greatly Agitated by Sensational Reduction in Prices.

London, Oct. 31.—British and German steel circles are agitated by the sensational cut in prices announced by the Carnegie company, which has captured contracts for 100,000 tons of steel bars at from 75 cents to \$1.25 below the German export price.

The Carnegie company has also sold vast quantities of steel rails to Japan for \$20 a ton cash, with insurance of freight to Yokohama. These prices have taken away the breath of the British producers and are said so completely to have demoralized the German exporters that the great trust planned by that country has fallen through.

RECORDS BROKEN.

Horses Owned and Driven by Mr. Billings Show Wonderful Speed on Memphis Race Track.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 29.—The eight-day meeting of the Memphis Trotting association was brought to a fitting close yesterday afternoon with the breaking of two additional world's trotting records. Lou Dillon, Mr. Billings' champion trotter, driven by her owner, went a mile to wagon in two minutes flat, cutting a second and three-quarters from the previous record made by herself.

Celebrate "Mitchell" Day. Scranton, Pa., Oct. 30.—Yesterday was John Mitchell day. That is to say, all the United Mine Workers of America in the Lackawanna and Wyoming regions were out on parade to the number of 50,000. It was a holiday in the two valleys. The parade ended on the circus grounds, where Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Duncan made speeches on the topic of labor and trades-unionism.

Chicago, Oct. 31.—Horace L. Green, editor and publisher of the Free Thought Magazine, and his wife were found dead in their bedroom here from asphyxiation. At first the police were inclined to the belief that the aged husband and wife had committed suicide, but later developments tended to show that the two were the victims of an accident.

Washington, Oct. 31.—Judge Advocate General Lemley, in his annual report, says the system of probation of prisoners, which was adopted by the department somewhat more than two years ago, still yields good results, which, in his opinion, will warrant its continuance. The National Prison Association of the United States is given credit for the idea of introducing this system in the navy.

New York, Oct. 29.—After a tramp covering 8,000 miles and which took two years, Charles E. Norris, almost 60 years old, walked into New York from San Francisco. When he started Mr. Norris was afflicted with tuberculosis, and weighed only 96 pounds. When he reached New York his lungs were sound, and he tipped the scales at 137.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 29.—The general conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of America took action looking toward the merging of that church with the Free Methodist church. The conference adopted a resolution which requested all voting members of the church to vote the ticket of the prohibition party.

Washington, Oct. 31.—Acting Secretary Moore, of the department of agriculture, has completed the estimates of appropriations needed for the next fiscal year, aggregating \$6,009,880, exclusive of \$720,000 for agricultural experiment stations. The aggregate is an increase of \$751,720 over the appropriations for the current year.

New York, Oct. 31.—For the second time within two months Samuel J. Parks, walking delegate of Housewives' and Bridgeman's union, local No. 2, has been convicted of the crime of extortion in the court of general sessions, and remanded for sentence a week hence.

Dayton, O., Oct. 28.—A curious deal was consummated here when William Raze purchased a team of horses from Peter Williams and secured the latter's wife "to boot."

Dayton, O., Oct. 28.—Henry Klasinger, of Dayton, ex-state commander of the G. A. R. of Ohio, was instantly killed during a G. A. R. parade by being thrown from his horse.

THEY DECLINE TO DISCUSS AWARD

Senators Lodge and Turner, Members of Alaskan Tribunal, Return to America.

New York, Oct. 31.—On account of his official connection with the Alaskan tribunal Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, declined to discuss the award of the tribunal on his arrival here Friday by the steamer Cedric.

Joseph Pope, representative of the Canadian government and one of the assistant secretaries of the tribunal, who was also on the Cedric, said that the award was of course a disappointment from the Canadian point of view, but offered no further comment, appearing anxious, however, to ascertain how the decision had been received in Canada.

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Susquehanna, Pa., Oct. 31.—The strike of the Erie railroad's union boiler makers and their helpers in all of the shops on the system between New York and Chicago is now complete.

DOWIE IN NEW YORK.

Announced to His Followers Another Crucial Campaign He Has Visited 600,000 Homes.

New York, Oct. 30.—At the services yesterday John Alexander Dowie announced to his followers another crusade. He told his host to return to Zion City and save their money against the expenses of another crusade, because "the good work of spreading the restoration message was going to be carried far and wide."

New York, Oct. 31.—Dowie opened the meeting last night with a prayer that in the coming election the city should not pass into bad hands. During his discourse he said that the host had visited 600,000 homes in New York, and had everywhere been received with courtesy.

REBELS ARE ACTIVE.

Revolution in San Domingo Causes Sending of Warships to Protect American Interests.

Washington, Oct. 29.—Further advice have been received by the state department from United States Minister Powell touching the outbreak of the revolution in Santo Domingo, confirming the report of the seizure of the port of Puerto Plata by adherents of the late President Jimines, who are seeking to overthrow President Wosy Gil.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Darling has sent orders to the Norfolk navy yard for the cruiser Baltimore to proceed

THE PRESIDENT IS 45 YEARS OLD

Celebrates Anniversary of His Birth at the White House and Receives Congratulations.

Hundreds of Letters and Telegrams Received During the Day—Presentations Made by Members of His Family—Attended to His Ordinary Routine of Duties as Usual.

Washington, Oct. 28.—President Roosevelt yesterday celebrated the forty-fifth anniversary of his birth. Many beautiful and touching reminders of the event came to him from every part of the country. Hundreds of telegrams and letters of congratulation were received at the white house during the day. When the members of the cabinet assembled they joined in extending cordial congratulations to the president. The cabinet room and the president's private office were filled with exquisite floral offerings. A huge basket of chrysanthemums was sent to the president from the government propagating gardens. It contained about two score of handsome specimens, many of them as large as the crown of a derby hat and of splendid coloring.

President Roosevelt can claim the distinction of being the first president of the United States to celebrate such a youthful birthday in the white house, and nearly every caller that visited him in his office made a point of congratulating him upon that fact. The president received presents from the various members of his family and from a number of friends, but made no change in the ordinary routine of his duties.

Early in the day a committee representing the Hungarian Republican club of New York, of which the president is an honorary member, called to convey to him the annual expression of the club's good wishes and to congratulate him upon his birthday.

FALL TO THEIR DEATH.

Fatal Accident at Niagara Falls, Ont., in Which Three Men Are Killed and Five Injured.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Oct. 28.—Three men were reported killed and five injured in an accident at the Canadian Niagara Power company's plant at Niagara Falls, Ont., early Tuesday.

Two of the dead and the injured are Italian laborers. The other dead man was George Miller, of this city. The men were being lowered into the pit of the power company when the bucket was overturned by striking a ledge, precipitating the entire party to the bottom of the shaft, a distance of 150 feet.

Washington, Oct. 30.—Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow has practically completed the abstract of his report on the postal investigation. The abstract as now drafted makes between 20,000 and 25,000 words. The report itself, it is now stated, comprises 2,500,000 words of exhibits and 110,000 of the report proper. The report is being considered by the attorney general.

Washington, Oct. 29.—It is understood to be the intention of the president to appoint Gov. William H. Hunt, of Porto Rico, United States district judge of Montana to succeed Judge Hiram Knowles, who expects to retire some time during the approaching winter or early spring. Gov. Hunt formerly occupied a place on the supreme court bench of Montana.

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 31.—East-bound Chicago "flyer," No. 6, on the Santa Fe road, was wrecked at Apishapa Creek, four miles east of Fowler. The spikes had been removed from one rail on the bridge over the creek, and when the engine left the track one span of the bridge, 100 feet long, went down. Over 30 persons were injured, none fatally.

Washington, Oct. 29.—The estimates of congressional appropriations needed for the District of Columbia government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1904, aggregate \$12,885,825, a reduction of \$1,111,957 from the estimates submitted to the district commissioners by the subordinate officials.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 30.—Barney Oldfield, at Overland park, broke three world's records for automobiles. For five miles, old record, 4:54, made in 4:43; ten miles, in 9:38, former record, 9:45; and 15 miles in 12:24, former record, 14:35.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 31.—Gov. Jelis to-day refused to interfere in the cases of the negroes Lon Shaw and Jim Chambers, sentenced to hang for the murder of a negro man, and the men were hanged on the same gallows at Luverne.

San Francisco, Oct. 29.—The sheathed protected cruiser Tacoma was given a contractor's trial on the bay and exceeded all of the government requirements, including that of 16 1/2 knots.

Toronto, S. D., Oct. 31.—The First national bank was robbed Thursday night of \$500 in silver. There is no clue.



The Steel Trust—There Goes That Kid with a Gate. That Makes a Bad Hole in Our Monopoly Wall.

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DEATH LIST INCREASED.

Forty-Five Persons Lost Their Lives in Collision of Steamers on Japanese Coast.

Yokohama, Japan, Oct. 31.—It has been ascertained that 45 persons out of 103 who were on board the steamer Tokai-Maru were drowned as the result of the sinking of that vessel Thursday, after having been in collision with the Russian steamer Progress, off Hakodate, Japan. The engineer of the Tokai-Maru succumbed after having been picked up by the Progress. The mails and all the valuables of the sunken vessel were lost. The accident occurred at four a. m. in a dense fog six miles from Hakodate.

Found Two Bodies. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 31.—While dynamiting the river for the body of Miss Lilly Cole, who committed suicide by jumping from the Walnut street bridge last Tuesday. The police not only brought up the body of the girl, but that of an unknown man. The skull was crushed, and the police believe the body may be that of a wealthy stockman named Jones, who disappeared in this city some time ago, and who was thought to have been murdered for his money.

Combine Gives Up. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 31.—H. W. McQuaid, a prominent grocer of Des Moines, and interested in a number of other grocery stores, announced the end of the Consolidated Grocers of America, which was organized last February with \$1,500,000 capital, and which it was proposed should control the leading retail groceries of the country.

Forty-Four Drowned. Yokohama, Oct. 30.—A collision occurred in a fog Thursday off Hakodate, Japan, between the Russian Yushen Kalsha company's steamer Progress and Takai-Maru. The latter sank. Of the 100 passengers and crew on board the Takai-Maru only 56 were saved.

No Sunday Work. Detroit, Oct. 29.—At a meeting of the National Union of Shipwrights, Joiners and Carvers of America, held here, a nine-hour work day was established. It was also voted to do away with all Sunday labor.

A Costly Fire. Menominee, Mich., Oct. 28.—Fire destroyed \$120,000 worth of lumber, trams and docks in the yard here of the Bay Shore Lumber company. The loss is covered by insurance.