Foreign merchants who find it necessary to bring suit against insolent Turkish firms will always do better to compromise rather than bring the matter to court, for as a rule there is but little left for the creditor.

British officers are having the scars of face wounds removed by the use of light rays. The London Mail says: "The custom is rapidly growing of surgeons sending their patients to have the scars left by operation removed."

Georgia will get \$250,000 net out of a recent award of convict labor. Fif- commandant at Port Arthur, addressed teen hundred convicts have recently to the emperor: been let out to contractors in that state. In the states where convict laper head is \$225 per year.

livery with its opportunities for sav- Grand Duke Cyril was saved. He is ing time and money in shopping; in slightly injured. Capt. Jakovleff was the more thickly settled portions of saved, though severely injured, as were the country they have rapid transit by five officers and 32 men, all more or less trolley lines, and in some parts, nota- injured. The enemy's fleet has disapbly in the west, they enjoy the advan- peared. Rear Admiral Prince Ouktomtages in business and farm operations of extensive telephone systems.

The Dominion of Canada is about 3,500 miles from east to west and 1,400. miles from north to south. Labrador is under the jurisdiction of Newfoundland, which colony is not in the Canadian confederation. The length of the frontier line separating Canada from the United States is 3,000 geographical miles, 1,400 miles being a water line of rivers, lakes and seas and 1,600 miles a land boundery.

All the czars of Russia have been crowned in the famous Kremlin in Moscow, and in the treasury there are the thrones of all the emperors of the past, as well as the historic jewels and the choicest plate now owned by the Russian crown. There are \$600,000,-000 worth of gold and silver and precious stones in that treasury and there are basins of gold there as big as a baby's bath-tub, and two card tables of solid silver.

Holland is not among the countries that have signed the Berne literary convention. The only way to secure a foreigner's rights would be to enter into relations with a Dutch firm prepared to publish in Holland and register in accordance with law. If it concerns a translation, such a pub- lowed the attack by the Japanese fleet lisher is in a position to register it at at daybreak. the Society of Booksellers and Publishers. The fees are about three florins (\$1.20).

A revenue officer says in the Lon-don Standard: "English spirit, by it-to meet the attack. According to an inself, is every week being made up and formant, while preparing to draw up his sent out as Irish and Scotch whisky. line of battle in the outer roadstead the It is simply reduced, colored and bot- Petropavlovsk struck a mine on her tled and labeled 'Scotch' or 'Irish,' ac- starboard side amidships and immecording to the needs of the customer. diately began to heel. Before the crew And all this takes place in the bonded could flood the port compartment of the warehouses of the country, with the vessel in order to keep her on an even full cognizance and consent of our ex-cise and custom officers, who are actu-minutes, carrying down almost the enally cautioned not to interfere."

The New York Sun predicts that in 20 or 25 years from now Nebraska, upper bridge. Kansas and Missouri will be numbered among the great timber-producing states of the country. The broad prairies of these states which had miral Prince Ouktomsky wired from been trodden bare by the wild buffalo, are now being planted with trees, the number of trees set out within the last boat destroyers sent out during the three years having been larger than in night to reconnoiter, became separated the once great lumber supplying states of Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan.

by the New York supreme court men were saved. affirming a decision in which a member of the New York stock exchange and three railway companies were held liable for losses sustained through the unauthorized transfer of registered bonds. It was based on the thur and it clears up to a great extent suit of the home for children, the treasurer of which sold through a sel's destruction. The version is as broker a lot of bonds, with which the follows: home was endowed, and fled with the money.

A new cause for anxiety for those of coming in contact with dangerous as is used in schools. Prof. Markmann, of Leipsic, has recently examined 67 kinds of such ink, and has arrived at the result that under circumstances it may be dangerous to wound

Among the exhibits at the St. Louis exposition soon to open there is contemplated one illustrating domestic life in the Philippines, which from the space and prominent location set apart for it promises to be an attractive feature. Many native workmen are on the ground, and houses are being erected of wattled bamboo, without the use of a nail, showing much ingenuity. and structures that are well adapted for a tropical country. The work is being done by natives.

At Chingford, in Essex, an estate is held by a very curious condition. Whenever it passes into new hands the owner, with his wife, man servant and maid servant, comes on horseback tunately he did not lose consciousness. to the parsonage and pays his homage His servant has a greyhound in a slip, both for the use of the rector for that He succeeded in reaching a piece of day. He receives a chicken for the hawk, a peck of oats for his horse and a loaf of bread for his greyhound. more blasts and then, with his party, withdraws.

## Cooperstown Courier. MINE OR TORPEDO

RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP PETRO-PAVLOVSK IS BLOWN UP OFF PORT ARTHUR.

Admiral Makaroff, Together with 600 Officers and Men, Are Lost-Japs Ambushed by Russians-Routed with Heavy Loss.

St. Petersburg, April 14.-The folowing dispatch has been received here from Rear Admiral Grigorovitch, the

"Port Arthur, April 13 .- The Petropavlovsk struck a mine, which blew her bor is so farmed out the average bid up and she turned turtle. Our squadron was under Golden Hill. The Japanese squadron was approaching. Vice Farmers are getting rural free de Admiral Makaroff evidently was lost. sky has assumed command of the fleet." It is estimated that 600 men perished when the Petropavlovsk sank.

Grand Duke Cyril Wounded. Grand Duke Cyril, one of the two members of the imperial family at the



REAR ADMIRAL MAKAROFF. (Commander of Russian Fleet Who Was

vounded. It is reported that his injuries are not serious. The sinking of the Petropavlovsk fol-

Ship Strikes a Mine. The Japanese fleet, including torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers, totals 40. Vice Admiral Makaroff ordered tire crew. Capt. N. Jakovleff, Grand Duke Cyril and two other officers were saved because they were standing on the

Another Loss for Russia.

St. Petersburg, April 15.-Rear Ad-Port Arthur Thursday that the Bezstrashni, one of the Russian torpedo from the rest of the fleet, owing to the bad weather prevailing, was surrounded by Japanese torpedo boat destroy-A decision has been handed down ers and was sunk in the fight. Five

Version Practically Official.

St. Petersburg, April 15.-There has been obtained what is practically the official version of the sinking of the battleship Petropavlovsk at Port Arthe mysterious features of that ves-

Retiring before the advance of a superior Japanese fleet which was not fighting its progress, the Russian squadron approached the entrance to who are easily terrified by the thought the harbor. It was shortly after eight o'clock in the morning, and most of bacteria has been found in such ink the officers and members of the crew were at breakfast on the flagship. Vice Admiral Makaroff was eating breakfast in his cabin and the wardroom was crowded with officers surrounding the tables. On the bridge Grand Duke Cyone's self with an inky pen. Most of ril, his friend, Lieut. Van Kobe, Capt. the inks he examined contained a large Jakovleff, commanding the vessel, and quantity of micrococci bacteria and two other officers were on watch examining the narrow entrance preparatory to entering it. At about 8:30 p'clock there was a terrific explosion of the boilers, followed a few seconds later by a detonation from the well stored magazines. Huge gaps were torn in the hull of the ship, and the water rushed in. The center of gravity having gone, the ship rolled on her side and sank. All information tends to prove that a mine was responsible for the destruction of the Petropav-

lovsk. Escape of Grand Duke Cyril. The escape of Grand Duke Cyril and Lieut. Von Kobe was nothing short of miraculous. The force of the explosion sent Grand Duke Cyril flying across the bridge and the base of his skull struck on an iron stanchion. For-Believing that the ship was about to by blowing three blasts upon a horn. sink, he clambered hastily down its side and boldly plunged into the water. wreckage, to which he clung. The grand duke was in the water about 20 minutes before he was picked up by After dinner the owner blows three a torpedo boat. Lieut. Von Kobe was also found swimming and was picked up. Capt. Jokovleff was thrown against clamation.

a stanchion with such force that he was killed. Grand Duke Cyrll's injuries were severe. Besides receiving a blow on the neck, his legs were burned and he suffered a serious shock.

Loss of Life About 600. The exact number of Vice Admiral Makaroff's staff on board the Petropavlovsk when she sank is unknown, but it is thought by the admiralty to be probably 15 or 16. The exact number of the crew lost is also unknown. The Peropavlovsk had a complement of last accounts.

To Succeed Makaroff. St. Petersburg, April 15.-The czar has appointed Vice Admiral Skrydloff. commander of the Black sea fleet, to succeed the late Vice Admiral Makaroff as commander in chief of the Russian naval forces in the far east.

Japs Are Routed. London, April 16.-The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Standard sends a rumor to the effect that Vice Admiral Togo's fleet escorted a Japanese landing of troops to the westward of the Yalu river. When 12,000 men had been landed the Russian troops, which were lying concealed, suddenly attacked them, driving them, back to the ships with heavy losses in men and guns.

Again Fire on Port Arthur. St. Petersburg, April 16.-A telegram from Admiral Alexieff from Port Arthur to the emperor says that from 9:15 o'clock Friday morning to midday the Japanese fleet in two divisions bombarded the fortress and the town alternately from the Liao Tishan promontory, firing 185 projectiles. The Russian squadron, including the battleship Pobleda, replied from the anchorage by a plunging fire. The batteries also participated. The losses on land were seven Chinese killed and five soldiers and three Chinese wounded. The Russian warships sustained no damage and there was no loss of life on them.

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS.

Summary of Work Done in Senate and House by the Lawmakers at the Fifty-Eighth Session.

Washington, April 12 The Culberson amendment to the post office appropriation bill, providing for a commission to investigate the post office department, was before the senate all of Monday, and after being ruled out of order in modified form, was pending when the senate adjourned. The house passed the bill reported by the committee on rivers and harbors appropriating \$3,000,000 for the restoration or maintenance of channels, or of other river and harbor improvements.

Washington, April 13.-In the senate yesterday the post office appropriation bill was passed, and the bill providing a form of government for the Panama canal zone was taken up, but debate on it had not begun when the senate adjourned. In the house the race question was injected into the proceedings by Mr. Scott (Kan.) in a long address, in which he referred to his previous statement that it was current in Kansas that ex-President Cleveland had dined C. H. J. Taylor, a Kansas negro politician. At the instance of Mr. Bartlett (Ga.) a letter from ex-President Cleveland was read, denying that he had ever dined a negro.

Washington, April 14.—The senate Wednesday began consideration of the bill providing for the government of the Panama canal zone. The greater part of the day was occupied by Senator Morgan in support of amendments offered by himself. The house devoted itself to consideration of a bill amending the law relating to the Philippine

islands Washington, April 15.-In the senate vesterday the committee on appropriations reported the sundry civil bill. An increase of \$2,854,004 was made by the committee, so that the bill now carries \$59,102,400. The senate devoted the entire day to the consideration of the bill for the government of the Panama canal. The house passed the Philippine bill and began consideration of the general deficiency bill.

Washington, April 16.-The senate yesterday passed the Panama canal bill. The house spent the day in discussion of the general deficiencybill.

Dies for His Crime.

Chicago, April 16.-Louis Pesant. murderer of Mrs. Mary Spilka, was hanged at the county jail here Friday. Pesant, phlegmatic and apparently indifferent to the last, went to the gallows without requiring stimulants. He had nothing to say from the scaffold, nor did he make any further confession of his crime. The formost of the sheriff's jury of physicians pronounced the murderer dead three minutes after the drop of the

Apoplexy Causes Death.

Catskill, N. Y., April 13.-Mrs. Joseph B. Hall, proprietor of the Catskill Recorder, one of the oldest newspapers in the United States, died Tuesday of apoplexy, aged 72 years. She was the mother of Ruth and Violette Hall, the novelists.

A Lover's Revenge.

Batavia, N. Y., April 13.-Clyde Ore, 35 years old, who hails from Wisconsin, shot and killed Addie Blossom. 23 years old, Tuesday and then killed himself. He was enraged at being balked by the girl's parents in his intention to marry her.

Fatal Explosion.

Florence, Kan., April 14.-The boiler of a Santa Fe engine standing in the yards here exploded, instantly killing Emanuel Hahn, the fireman, and fatally injuring William E. Moody, the engineer, both of Emporia.

Renominated.

Lewiston, Me., April 14.-At the Second district republican convention here Wednesday, Hon. Charles E. Littlefield was renominated for congress by ac-

VERESTCHAGIN WAS GUEST OF ADMIRAL MAKAROFF ON ILL-FATED PETROPAVLOVSK.

about 650, of which 50 were saved at It Is Believed He Lost His Life-Brief Sketch of His Career and the Wonderful Pictures He Has Painted.

> eschagin, the Russian painter, was Vice and George Urban, Jr., of Buffalo. Admiral Makaroff's guest on the Petropavlovsk. It is reported that he was lost with the ship.

Vassili Vereschagin, the Russian painter of war scenes, who was born The principle of a protective tariff is upin 1842, had been a spectator and participant in several of the wars of recent years, led by his aim to paint war as it actually is. Among his pictures are included battle scenes from the Rusisan war in Turkestan in 1867, the Senator T. C. Platt. Russo-Turkish war in 1878, the Transvaal conflict, the Santiago and Philippine campaigns of the Spanish-American war and the Boxer campaign in China, made from sketches drawn on the spot. He accompanied Gen. Kauffmann's expedition in Turkestan in 1867, and fought and sketched through the Russo-Turkish war, being severely wounded at the siege of Plevna. An exhibition of his paintings at Odessa in 1900 included an allegorical painting depicting the horrors of the Trans- ing and lasted throughout the night. vaal war, and the following year he vis- Only the ruins of the palace remain. ited the Philippines and China and The emperor and his suite succeeded in

NEW YORK REPUBLICANS.

Delegates to the National Convention Are Elected and a Platform Adopted.

New York, April 13.-The republican state convention to elect delegates to the national convention at Chicago met at noon Tuesday in Carnegie hall. The following were chosen:

Delegates at large-Senator Thomas C. Platt, alternate, J. Sloat Fassett; Senator C. M. Depew, alternate, Louis Disaster Occurs While at Target Stern; Gov. B. B. Odell, Jr., alternate, Erastus C. Knight; Frank S. Black, alternate, H. C. Brewster. The electors at large to be selected by the committee St. Petersburg, April 15.-Vassili Ver- are former Mayor Schiren, Brooklyn,

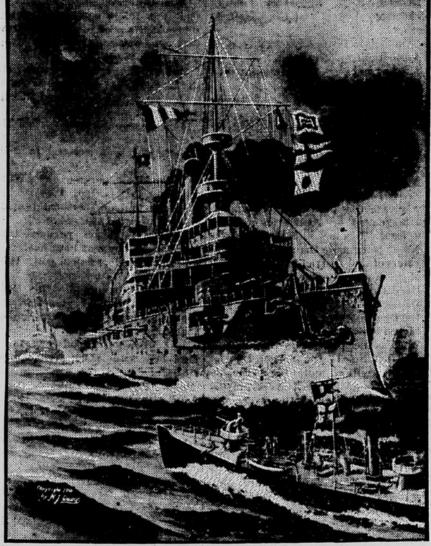
The platform reaffirms the devotion of the republicans of New York to, and confidence in, the principles of their party and indorses the administrations of President Roosevelt and Gov. Odell. held and the freedom of the ballot without discrimination as to race or color is demanded. The party representatives in congress are commended, special reference being made to the services of

KOREAN PALACE DESTROYED

Flames in His Handsome Home at Seoul Force Emperor to Fly for Safety.

Paris, April 16 .- A cable report received at the foreign office here says that the imperial palace at Seoul, Korea, was completely destroyed by fire Thursday night. The fire began in the even-

U. S. BATTLES HIP MISSOURI.



Thirty Lives Were Lost on Board T his Ill-Fated Vessel by a Frighttu Powder Explosion.

made many sketches of battlefields and escaping to a near-by refuge. The re soldier types, being very favorably impressed with the American soldiers. suggestion of President Roosevelt to destruction of the palace was the work make sketches of the Santiago battle- of the rebellious element. fields and the scene of the destruction of Cervera's fleet, and subsequently THREE DROWNED IN CREEK. came to the United States to paint a showing the American lines charging up San Juan hill. His fame rests largely on his pictures of the Napoleonic campaign in Russia and in realistic paintings on New Testament subjects. He left St. Petersburg for Port brother of King Peter of Servia.

A Lake Disaster.

Manistee, Mich., April 13.-The tug Frank Canfield, owned by the Canfield to rescue them. The rush of water was tug line of this city, ran aground on the outer bar at Point Sable and sunk Monday night. Capt. Henry Smith, Engineer Charles Kopfer and Helper William Justmann were lost. Charles Smith and Gus Szuszitsky, mate and fireman. were saved by the use of the life raft.

Mills to Close.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 13.-According to the Journal the flour mills a protest against what the millers con- and his case was set for trial May 2. sider railroad discrimination forcing them out of competitive markets.

Big Deal in Lumber.

ward Hines Lumber company, of Chi-ter of Trinity parish, is dead in his cago, has purchased 50,000,000 feet of sixty-second year from influenza. He lumber from the N. Ludington com- was the composer of "Jerusalem the pany, comprising the products of two Golden" and many other popular mills for a year. The consideration hymns. was nearly \$1,000,000.

Dietrich Exonerated.

rich has been exonerated from all Louis Friday. They will guard the jubblame in connection with post office | ilee presents belonging to the late Queen patronage in Nebraska by a special Victoria, which are already here and committee of the senate which made which will be exhibited during the an investigation of his indictment.

port does not mention any loss of life, but the recent political unrest in the In March, 1902, he visited Cuba at the Korean capital leads to fears that the

picture of the battle of San Juan, Fatal Attempth to Cross Stream in North Dakota Swollen by Spring Freshets.

Bismarck, N. D., April 14.-John Cook, a ranchman living near Fort Stevenson, McLean county, and three Arthur early in March, traveling on sons, aged 14, 12 and 6 years, attempted the same train with Grand Duke Boris to cross Douglas creek, which was and Prince Arsenen Karagoegevitch, swollen with spring freshets and running with ice. Two sons, the oldest and youngest, were thrown out into the creek in the overturning of the wagon and the father sprang into the creek so great that all three were drowned. The third son, aged 12 years, was rescued from a floating cake of ice.

Ames Again Arrested.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 15.-Albert A. Ames, former mayor of Minneapolis, was arrested Thursday afternoon on an indictment charging him with accepting a bribe December 15, 1901, from Bessie Lee. The indictment is like the here will close down for an indefinite others upon which he was first arperiod the latter part of this week, as raigned. Dr. Ames pleaded not guilty

Composer Dead.

New York, April 14.—George Fitzcurwood LeJeune, composer of church mu-Marinette, Wis., April 13.-The Ed- sic and organist and senior choirmas-

To Guard Jubilee Presents.

St. Louis, April 16.-Five members of Washington, April 15 .- Senator Diet- the London police force arrived in St.

FRIGHTFUL HAVOC CAUSED ON THE 'MISSOURI BY AN EX-PLOSION OF POWDER.

Practice Off Florida Coast-Thirty-Two Men Are Killed and Five Are Injured.

Pensacola, Fla., April 14.—By the explosion of 2,000 pounds of powder in the after 12-inch turret and the handling room of the battleship Missouri. Capt. William S. Cowles, commanding, 32 men were instantly killed and five injured, of whom two will die. The Missouri was on the target range with the Texas and Brooklyn at practice about noon, when a charge of powder in the 12-inch lefthand gun ignited from gases exploded and dropping below ignited four charges of powder in the handling room and all exploded. Only one man of the entire turret and handling crew survives. But for the prompt and efficient action of Capt. Cowles in flooding the handling room and magazine with water, one of the magazines would have exploded and the ship would have been destroyed.

Saves the Vessel.

Capt. Cowles gave his commands, and but for his presence of mind and that of the officers of the ship, the Missouri would have gone down. The second explosion occurred near one of the magazines, and so hot was the fire that the brasswork of the magazines was melted. Smoke and the fumes of the burned powder made it almost impossible to enter either the turret or handling room, but officers and men with handkerchiefs over their faces made efforts to rescue the men inside. Leading the rescuing party was Capt. Cowles.

Before the fumes of the burning powder had left the turret officers and men were lifting out the dying and dead men. Three minutes after the explosion all were on deck and the surgeons form the Missouri, Texas and Brooklyn were attending to those not dead.

Found in a Heap.

The 25 men of the turret were found lying in a heap. They had started for the exit when the first explosion occurred and had just reached there when the more terrible explosion in the handling room occurred, which burned and strangled them to death.

Died with His Men.

Lieut. Davidson, the officer in charge of the turret, evidently had given some command to the men, as he was on top of the heap of men, having fallen there after he had allowed them to pass him to get out of the turret. The bodies were hardly recognizable, the terrible and quick fire having burnt clothing from the bodies of the men and the flesh hung from them in shreds. The faces were mutilated by the smoke and flames. Only one man was breathing when the turret crew was rescued and he died a moment after he reached the deck.

TRADE REVIEW.

The Backward Spring Proves Somewhat of a Check to Progress of Business.

New York, April 16.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "Tardy spring weather following an unusually severe winter makes it difficult to restore satisfactory trade conditions, but it is encouraging to find at many points this unseasonable weather the only cause of complaint, and there is always hope that the early losses may be made up at least in large measure when thermal conditions become normal, Labor controversies are still an adverse factor.

"Failures this week number 225 in the United States, against 212 last year, and 16 in Canada, compared with 16 a year

Bradstreet's says: "Trade is still irregular, with unseasonably cool weather the chief, but not the only drawback. In some sections, notably the south and portions of the east and west, brighter weather has helped trade and incidentally crop preparation. Most measures of trade point to a smaller volume & of business than a year ago, but it is to be noted that while a slight decrease may be shown in gross railway earnings for March, the first quarter's earnings will fall little behind a year ago, showing that in volume of products moved there is little difference from a year ago, and that the railroads have so far this year almost held their own.

Postmaster Fined.

Keokuk, Ia., April 16.—Postmaster John Dolph, of Brighton, Ia., was tried on a charge of violating the postal laws, in the United States court here Friday. Dolph was charged with opening letters addressed to patrons of the Brighton post office. He is an old man and has served as postmaster for many years. Judge Mc-Pherson imposed a fine of \$40 and

Renominated.

East St. Louis, Ill., April 13.-The republican convention of the Twenty-second congressional district was held here Tuesday and William A. Rodenberg was unanimously renominated for congress. Congressman Rodenberg has already served two terms.

Woman Burned to Death. Danville, Ill., April 14.-Mrs. Herman Bohn, a prominent woman, was burned to death by the explosion of combustibles in the kitchen stove and her young daughter narrowly escaped death. The house was destroyed.