INSURGENTS WIN

San Domingo Surrenders to the

Nervy Revolutionists

POPULACE ENTHUSIASTIC

Wee r Gill and Ministers Take Refuge on Board a German Warship-Great Enthusiasm Prevalls

Dispatches received from Puerto Plata say that the city of San Domingo was surrendered to the revolutionists and that President Wos y Gil and his ministers took refuge on board a German warship. The dispatches further say that great enthusiasm prevails throughout the country.

In a cablegram received at Washington from Minister Powell, dated San Domingo, he announces that the president of San Domingo has agreed to surrender the city to the revolutionists

The Preident Dines With Unionists President Roos velt's dining room at the White house looked like the American federation of labor board meeting when the Butte labor leaders took luncheon with the chief magistrate. In addition to the workingmen the president had invited Representative Dixon of Montana, Secretary Cortel, you, and Labor Commissioner Wright. Officials and labor representatives discussed the various phases of the wage problem with the president, who assured his visitors that the government was prepared to favor the workingmen whenever the good of public service was not hampered and the workingmen told the president that all labor demanded at the hands of the government was a square deal.

"You will always have that treatment," said the president, "as long as have anything to do with the admintstration of public affairs."

Five Million a Day for Exports

Five million dollars a day is a snug sum for the people of a single country to realize as the sale of the products of their farms, factories, forests, fieberies, and mines. The exports of do-mestic products of the United States in the month of October, 1903, averaged more than five million dollars for every day of the month, and for every busibess day in the month average practically six million dollars a day. The total exports of the month as shown by the figures of the department of commerce and labor through its bureau of statistics, amounted to \$160.370,059, which would averaged more than five million dollars for every day in the month and practically six million doldors for each business day of the month. From the port of New York alone the exports of the month were \$51, 867,942, or nearly two million dollars for each business day of the

All Northern Colorado Mines Closed With the opening of the third week of the miner's strike, the shut down in the northern Colorado coal fields was made complete by closing of the independent mines in accordance with the decision reached by the union on the purpose of aiding the southern miners. The northern operators, who had practically conceded all the demands of now await the coming of Prosident John Mitchell of the united mine workers, hoping that he will be able to force a settlement in the north. The southern operators seem to be irrevocably fixed in their determination got to treat with the unions.

Ris Sins Found Him Out

The secretary of the interior has suspended from office D. F. Campbell, who is clerk of the townsite commission of the Creek nation in Indian Territory, pending the outcome of an investigation based on an indictment against him for alleged unlawfully obtaining money while a member of the Kansas tegislature, the indictment charging his receipt of \$100 from the clerk of the district court of Oswego, Kan., following the passage of a bill raising the clerk's salary. The court dismissed the indictment, but President Wright is making an investigation and is ordering the production of the stenographic

Senator Deitrich Fully Aroused

Senator Deitrich says: "I reiterate everything I have said about my innocence of these malicious charges and I will demand a prompt speedy and thorough trial."

"I am an innocent man and have been maligned for malicious and vindictive purposes and I shall not be made a fool of by allowing this thing to be dropped without a searching investigation and airing. I want the same publicity and exposition made of the details of this entire case as has been made of the charges against me, and I shall leave no stone unturned to see that this is brought about. I shall consult further with my attorneys and then will be better prepared to talk."

China Willing to Commence War Private advices from Pekin are to the effect that Gen. Yuan Shi Kai, governor of Chi Li province, has informed the emperor that he is prepared to declare war against the Russians in Manchuria. General Ma is said to be ready to march into Shan Hai Kwan at the head of 18,000 men.

Phile 8 Bennett's Widow Has Appealed Counsel for the widow of Philo S. Bennett has filed an appeal to the superior court from the decision of Probate Judge Cleaveland regarding certain portions of the will of Mr. Bennett. The appeal is taken from section 12 of the will, which refers to the sealed letter providing for a gift of \$50,000 to W. J. Bryan and family; also from of \$10,000 each to be administered by Mr. and Mrs. Bryan for scholarship and prizes in colleges, and from the section nominating Mr. Bryan as executor of the will.

In the chamber of deputies at Madrid THE (IVIC LEAGUE BARTLEY BONDSMEN FREE Triment in reference to the sending of a Carlist member interpellated the government in reference to the sending of the cruiser Rio De La Plata to New Orleans in connection with the St. Louis exposition, reminding the chamber of the "wrongs which Spain had suffered at the hands of the United States." Senor Cobain, replying to the States." Senor Cobain, replying to the interpellation, said that the conclusion of the treaty of peace and amity had re-established diplomatic relations of the two countries and, as a friendly nation, the United States had invited Spain to participate in a festival instituted in the cause of civilization.

Ten Per Cent Cut in Wages

The first of the numerous reductions in wages announced in the cotton mills of southern New England states and a dozen other points outside of that territory, have gone into effect in all but one Fall River corporation and at a number of outside mills. Although about 32,000 operatives had been cut down, no general strike occurred in any mill. The cut averages 10 per cent and places the pay schedules on a basis with those paid previous to the advance of March, 1902.

Investigating Flood at Kansas City Col. Amos Stickney of New York Maj. James G. Warren of Milwaukee, and Capt. H. M. Chittenden of Sioux City, comprising the special board of governing engineers appointed by the secretary of war to establish the harbor line on the Missouri river and to investigate the flood conditions, have arrived in Kansas City. The board expects to complete its work within three or four days, and to render a report on river conditions comprehensive enough to permit of its use as a basis for an appeal to congress for aid in solving the flood problem.

Slayers of Guard Waldruple Sentenced Six of the convicts who took part in the mutiny at Fort Leavenworth federal prison when Guard Waldrupe was killed, pleaded guilty to the charge of manslaughter and were given sentence as follows: Col Sutherland and David Grayson, three years and fine of \$1,000; Donald Norris, five years, fine \$500; James Wilson, four years, fine \$500; Ole Bobo and Joseph Deetkin, one year each and fines \$500. The three ringleaders pleaded not guilty and will be tried later.

Uncle of President Dead

James King Gracie, an uncle by marriage of President Roosevelt, is dead at his home in New York as the result of an attack of pneumonia. He had been ill only a few days. Mr. Gracie was a well known banker. Both the president and Mrs. Roosevelt were much attached to Mr. Gracle and his death will cause them great sorrow and put a temporary stop to all gaieties at the White house. He was born in New York in 1839. He married a sister of the president's father.

French Bark Lost

The exact location of the wreck of the French bark Francols Coppe has not yet been defined, although it is known to have taken place on a reef some eleven or twelve miles north of Pointe Reyes, California, near the en-trance to Tomales bay. It is generally believed that the bark has gone to pieces. Two more bodies are reported washed ashore at Bodega bay in addition to the two already recovered from Pointe Reyes.

Ware Tired of Pension Business

It can be announced that Eugene P. Ware, the commissioner of pensions, will retire from that office about the middle of November of next year and will return immediately to the practice of law in Kansas. His contemplated action is generally understood among Kansas politicians and has been the subject of several interviews with the president, which has been kept secret.

Turkey's Ruler Has Cancer The sultan of Turkey, frequently aleged to be ill from one disease or another, is now alleged by the Vienna correspondent of the Herald to be sufering from cancer of the intestines. He is said to have refused to undergo an operation.

A \$10000 Fire at Elwood

Fire at Elwood, Neb., destroyed the building and stock of groceries of J. L. Trobee, the implement building and stock of implements of Smith & Pierce and the dwelling of A. M. Patterson. The loss to Trobee will be \$1,000, insured for \$500; to Smith & Pierce, \$4,-000, insured for \$1.500; to Patterson, \$800, insured for \$500. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Received His Commission

Major General Samuel S. Sumner, of Dranha, commendant of the department of the Missourt, has received his commission from the president as a major general in the United States army.

New Rural Route Agents

Rural carriers appointed for Nebraska: Malmo, regular, Detlef Arpf; substitute, Bernhard Pagler, Iowa, Blockton, regular, John C. Whitten; substitute, Trinnie Whitten.

The Car Strike Over The strike of the employes of the Chicago city railway was settled at a conference between the mayor, the aldermanic peace committee, President Hamilton and E. R. Bliss, counsel for the company, and the executive board of the local union of the strikers.

Invites Friends to Have a Good Time George A. Balon, left Athens, Ohio, wenty-fice years ago a penniless lad. Finally settling in New York, he has become a millionaire. Returning to his old home, Balon announced grand reunion of all living friends of early days as well as anyone who made Athens their home, to be held in June, 1904, at which a banquet will be served at his expense. He will pay the rail-way fares of those wishing to come, and will erect a big temporary building for their accommodation

Object to Work for Better City and County Government

A TERROR TO EVIL DOERS

An Organization 1000 Strong Which Will See that State Laws Are Rigidly Enforced

At a meeting of the Kansas City, Kan., civic league an executive committee of fourteen members was se lected, whose duty will be to work for better government, both in city and county affairs, and to have the laws of both state and city enforced.

When the two members at large are chosen the committee will consist of sixteen. According to the present plans it will be divided into two equal divi-sions, one of which will be expected to see that the laws are enforced, and the other to investigate the character of all candidates for office at future elections. Both branches of the committee will report to the league and where any candidate is decided an improper person for the place to which he wishes to be elected, the league will attempt to secure a successful opponent whose reputation is good.

The civic league is a product of the ministerial alliance. Since its organization it has not until recently assumed the aggressive. This was perhaps in a great measure due to the chaos wrought by the June flood. It would at least appear so since the association has grown in numbers recently until it now has a membership of more than

The object of a civic league and the work expected of the organization were discussed briefly by Myron A. Waterman and Judge L. W. Keplinger. Mr. Waterman also talked of the possibilities of the grand jury, which will sit in Kansas City, Kan., in December, and showed how the league might be of valuable assistance in running down and prosecuting criminals. Should the grand jury fall to find indictments where the evidence seems to fix re-sponsibility for crime, Mr. Waterman said that the civic league members could swear out warrants on the evidence thus secured and the suspects arrested and brought to justice at any time before or after the grand jury adjourns.

MILLIONAIRE AUSTIN DEAD

Though at One Time a Millionaire He is Buried by Friends

William Austin, of Emporia, aged 64, died of paralysis of the spine. Though once worth a million, he leaves nothing for his girl wife and his friends buried him. In 1888 he fell heir to a quarter of a million dollars. Half of it was lost in four years in the importation of English and French stal-

The remainder was lost in various poor business speculations. One was the purchase of a large flour mill at Marion, Kan. Mr. Austin gave freely to the Emporia Presbyterian college and the church. He built William Austin chapel at the college in 1889. In 1891 he married his step-niece who, until after the marriage, attended college. He was 52 and his bride was 18 years of age.

For months his family has been supported by friends. Mr. Austin held thousands of dollars in worthless paper which he accepted in various business transactions.

Twice Mr. Austin went to Europe. He invested largely in Italian statuary and paintings. The statuary was sold last year for \$200, although it is considered some of the most costly in this part of the country.

The Bryan Letter Does Not Hold

The formal decree of the probate court in relation to the Philo S. Bennett will, of which William J. Bryan is an executor, was announced by Probate Judge Cleaveland. After the decision of Judge Cleaveland regarding the will was made some weeks ago, after a hearing of the parties interested, the judge left to the attorneys to agree, if possible, on the form of the formal decree based on that deci-Opposing counsel, however, found themselves unable to reach an agreement. After reciting the known facts in the case, Judge Cleaveland decrees that neither the sealed letter by which it appeared that Mr. Bennett expressed a desire to give \$50,000 to Mr. Bryan and family and the typewritten document in the possession of Mr .Bryan, nor the envelope containing the letter, should be admitted to probate as part of the will. Otherwise the will was allowed and ordered to be recorded.

Pirst Gas Well in Coffee County

The first gas well in Coffey county was "brought in" not far from Le Roy, near the southern line of the county. The new gas discovery was made on farming land near the Neosha river owned by Henry J. Adams, formerly of Topeka, and Elmer Lane, of Burlington. Mr. Adams now lives in Burlington. Mr. Adams and Mr. Lane are the principal members of a company which holds gas and oil leases over a considerable tract of territory in the heart of which the new well is located. The new gas well is giving a good flow and promises to be the first well of a valuable field. Nearby towns are endeavoring to have the gas piped for illumination and for fuel.

New Bank for Humboldt

The comptroller of the currency has granted the application of J. H. Miles and others to establish "The National Bank of Humboldt," in Humboldt, Neb., and it is understood that the work of organizing the stock company will begin at once. The work of clearing the lot for the new bank building has already been started, but it is not hoped to have it ready for occupancy before the coming summer, and in the meantime it is understood the concern will be quartered in the Garver building on the east side of the square.

A Jury in Judge Bagter's Court Thus Decides

The jury in the case of the state of Nebras a against W. A. Paxton and others, bondsmen of former State Treasurer Bartley, who defaulted, has returned a verdict for the defendants which means that they are not liable for the defalcations of Bartley, as sureties for him.

The case was tried before Judge Baxter of Omaha, and notwithstanding the fact that this was its fifth trial, the case this time was instituted on a new law point, involved in section 3 of the depository laws of the state of Nebraska, which reads as follows:

"Provided that no treasurer shall be liable on his bond for money in deposit in any bank, under and by direction of the proper legal authority, if said bank has given bond."

It was alleged by the defendants that under the above section of the depository laws, which provide for the depositing of state funds in banks giving depository bonds, that the official bondsmen of state treasurers are absolved from all liability for funds after e same have been deposited in such depository banks, and that therefore they would not be liable under this section for the item of \$201,884.05 on

deposit in the Omaha National banka state depository—and checked out by Bartley on January 2, 1897, a few days prior to the close of his second or last erm of office. This point had never before been at

issue in this case and when it was brought up it was the subject for vigorous arguments on both sides, for upon the issue in this one point the result of the case seemed to lie.

Canal Building Statistics

The renewed attention being given to the proposed isthmian canal at this: time lends especial interest to a discussion of the great canals of the world, presented by the department of commerce and labor through its bureau of statistics. The ship canals of the world, it says, are nine in number, as

The Suez canal, begun in 1859 and completed in 1869.

The Cronstadt and St. Petersburg canal, begun in 1877 and completed in The Corinth canal, begun in 1884 and

completed in 1893. The Manchester ship canal, com-

pleted in 1894. The Kaiser Wilhelm canal, connect-

ing the Baltic and North seas, completed in 1896. The Elbe and Trave canal, connecting the North sea and Baltic, opened in 1900.

The Welland canal, connecting Lake Erie with Lake Ontario, and the two canals, United States and Canadian, respectively, connecting Lake Superior with Lake Huron.

Old Settler of Kansas City Dies

J. H. Weber, 43 years old, died at the home of his father-in-law, F. A. Arends, at 453 Minnesota avenue, Kansas City, Kan., from concussion of the brain caused by a fall. When Mr. Weber started up the stairway leading from the street to his rooms over 453 Minnesota avenue, he lost his balance and fell backward, striking his head on the brick sidewalk. When found a few minutes later he

remained so until his death. Mr. Weber was one of the oldest residents of Wyandotte county, going there from St. Louis with his parents forty years ago. He was a shoe manufacturer and for several years was a partner in the general merchandise business with F. A. Arends at 453 Minnesota avenue.

Unknown Man Killed at Fairmont An unknown man was killed at the Rock Island yards in Fairbury, Neb. He had been drinking heavily and went to sleep on the depot platform near the track. A switch engine attached to some freight cars aroused him later and in attempting to rise he fell under a car. A brakeman pulled him from the track after one wheel had passed over his body. He had recently been employed on the bridge gang, but as the foreman is out of the

his name could not be learned.

The initials J. S., in addition to other

designs, were tattooed on his right

Sante Fe Depot at Princeton Burned The Santa Fe depot at Princeton was destroyed by fire recently. The fire started at about 9 in the evening, supposed to have caught fire from the flue. The building and all the contents were destroyed, the loss estimated at about \$2,000. No one was in the building at the time, and when the fire was discovered it was too late to put it out.

Bank Will Quit Without Breaking

The Hunnewell State bank at Wellngton, has sent out printed notices to its depositors, asking them to call and get their money, as the bank is going out of business. The reason assigned is that the bank is too circumscribed to make its existence profitable. The bank s own by persons interested in the Wellington National bank.

Unable to Control a Gusher Efforts to confine the gas in the well brought in by a Mound City gas company have been futile, and the drillers have abandoned their efforts until they receive a packer from Chanute. The gas company has agents out soliciting the business houses for the privilege of furnishing gas for stoves and lights.

Diamond Thief Caught

Jesse Majors, a young man who secured two diamonds from Lawrence merchants and issued fraudulent checks in payment for the stones, was given a penitentiary sentence by Judge Smart in the district court at that city. He sand he wanted to give the stone to Chancellor Strong. Majors returned about ten days after the fraud and was caught by the officer from whom he had escaped. The diamonds were found in St. Louis, where Majors had pawned them.

A RECORD OF GRAFT

Report of Assistant Postmaster General Bristow Uncovers It

FIND OF FORTY INSPECTORS

The System of Organized Corruption Began in 1893 and was Checked in 1903-10 Years of Brazen Theft

In a brief filed by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General J. L. Bristow, with President Roosevelt, devoted to the postoffice scandal investigation, the fol-lowing is said in conclusion: For the purposes of this report, the

investigation ordered by you on March 7 has been completed. In the preparation of cases for trial where indictments have been found, information may be secured which will necessitate further investigation and possibly involve persons not now implicated.

More than forty inspectors have been employed upon this work, some of them continuously every day since the investigation began. The records of 1,000 postoffices have been examined, and the files of many divisions of the department, covering a period of from

six to ten years, scrutinized.

The system of organized corruption that has been disclosed began in 1903 and continued until stopped by this investigation. The amount of money secured by the corrupt officials and their confederates is small as compared to the total loss to the government. To illustrate: There is no evidence that Louis received any compensation from Ault & Wyborg, yet during the first year of his administration the expenditures for canceling ink increased over \$10,000

It does not appear that Kempner received money from the manifold company, yet the cost of manifold supplies increased more than \$40,000 a year.

Barrett received but \$6,000 from Ar nold, yet that company defrauded the people out of over \$3,000,000.

Machen probably did not receive more than \$26,000 from the Groff fastener, yet the government has paid approximately \$130,000 for that device, which represents a net loss, since the department continued, by the terms of the contract for letter boxes, to pay for the original fasteners.

Beavers and his associates received less than \$20,000 from the automatic cashier. Yet the department expended \$74,275 for this wholly unnecessary ma-

The total amount that the perpetrators of these frauds themselves received cannot be definitely learned, but it will aggregate between \$300,000 and \$400,000, while the loss to the government, considering the unnecessary supplies that have been purchased and the interior quality of those furnished by fraudulent contractors, cannot be estimated with any degree of acuracy. The results of the investigation dem-

onstrate that all traveling agents of the department-such as assistant superintendents of salaries and allowances, of the free delivery service, the rallway mail service and the registry system and inspectors—should be placed under one organization. As a result of the investigation four officers and employes of the department

have resigned and thirteen have been removed. Forty-four indictments have been found, involving thirty-one persons, ten of whom have been connected with the postal service. Attached to this report is a list of

those who have resigned and those who have been removed; also a complete list of the indictments and the persons involved.

TARRIF REDUCTION TO COME

Persistent Demand of Philippine Shippers Will Have Final Effect. For some time the president has been

discussing informally with members of congress the proposition to reduce the duties on Philippine products coming into this country to 50 per cent of the Dingley tariff law rates. Considerable epposition has developed to the suggestion, and what the result of the endeavor to secure a reduction of the duties will be can not be foretold. The opposition arises principally from congressmen representing sugar and tobacco states. They maintain that if only 50 per cent of the Dingley rates are levied on sugar and tobacco the industries represented by those products in this country will be impaired seriously. They have indicated to the president that they will make a hard fight against the proposed reduction. It is understood that the president may discuss the subject in his annual message to congress, but his position regarding it has not been disclosed.

Organize for Good of the Service The rural mail carriers of Cass coun-

ty have formed an association. The organization was effected at Plattsmouth. George R. Sayles of Plattsmouth, was elected president; James L. Manners of Murray, vice president; J. E. Wolff, of Cedar Creek, treasurer, and J. P. Warner of Mynard, secretary. Frank H. Cunning of South Omaha, president of the national rural letter carriers' association, addressed the meeting. The object of the association is fraternal; for the study and adoption of the best methods of performing the duties of the rural free delivery service and to seek improvement in the condition of its members; also to co-operate at all times with the department for the advancement of the rural service.

Alfred Dreyfus May Get New Trial The efforts of Alfred Dreyfus to se cure a judicial examination of his case have at last been crowned with success. After examining the dossier in the case, submitted to him by General Andre, the minister of war, Minister of Justice Valle has transmitted that document together with the petition of M. Dreyfus for a revision of his sentence, to M. Durand, the president of a commission instituted by the ministry of justice. This commission will pronounce upon the admissibility of the request for a revision of sentence,

UNION LEAGUE BANQUET

Lieutenant General Young and Rear A

miral Sigsbee Honored Guesta Army and navy officers were the honored guests at the "founders' day" banquet of the Union League club, Philadelphia. Lieutenant General Young made an interesting speech concerning

the army. He said:
"We now have permanent legislation under which a volunteer army may be speedily created and the militia quickly brought into the service of the United States as a part of our first line of defense. There is thus substantial cause for congratulation that after a century of only partially successful effort we find ourselves in better condition today than ever before to mest all questions of defense or offense with which we may be confronted."

Read Admiral Sigbee, also present, said: "We find it well-nigh impracticable to enlist, train and keep enough men for the needs of the service. Time and experiment will solve the problem. but it must be admitted that the solution is yet hardly in sight. Our experience in common with other nations has shown that the best way to avert war is to be prepared to defend our rights and interests."

WILL TRY LOTTERY SCHEME

Cuban Senate Thinks This a Fine Way to Raise Revenue

The Cuban senate has passed the national lottery bill by a vote which is believed to indicate that it will probably pass the measure over President Palma's veto should he disapprove it. The strongest opponents of the bill were absent. The measure, as amended, directs that the lottery's functions shall begin within seventy days after the law authorizing it is promulgated. and authorizes the president to issue instructions and regulations for the carrying out of the lottery plan. It is b believed that the bill will without difficulty pass the house. A majority of the senators are said to believe that the establishment of a lottery is the most reasonable way of obviating the tax difficulties in accordance with the wishes of the people.

Emperor William Not a Well Man

The Wiener Allegemeine Zeitung has dispatch from Berlin, according to a Vienna cablegram the Times, which

"Though there can be no doubt that the recent operation on Emperor William concerned a begninant formation. the process of healing has not taken the favorable course hoped for. There is absolutely no question of any danger, but from the whole course of the process of healing hitherto it seems as though unexpected complications had arisen which rarely follow a simple op-

eration for so-called singers' polypus. "In court circles there is a certain uneasiness, which in the last few days found expression in talk of the possibility or even probability of a new opperation. It is impossible to verify the

latter rumor. "The emperor, whose mood remains good, has been ordered by his physician to take the greatest rest and spare his vocal organs as much as possible.

Eight Years for Bank Robbery

Two bank robbers have been sentiary from Hebron as a result of the work of Detective Malone and the sheriffs of Hall and Buffalo counties. They are the men charged with blowing the bank at Byron, September 30th. last. In that raid they secured \$2,540. Detective Malone is confident that these men had something to do with the holding up of train No. 41 on the Burlington September 21, at Amazonia, Mo. One of the men, Dillon, has been identified by trainmen as having been put off that train twice by the brakemen the evening before the train was held up.

Bill to Stop Lottery and Guessing Fakes Senator Penrose, chairman of the senate committee on postoffices and postroads, has given notice of a hearing December 10 on Senator Dryden's bill for the suppression of lottery traffic through national and interstate commerce and the postal service to the jurisdiction and laws of the United States. The purpose of the measure is to make existing laws apply to letters, postal cards, circulars, pamphlets and publications concerning business contracts and policies on life, fire or other insurance, transmitted into any state, district or territory by concerns or persons not authorized to transact such business.

Just a Common Wife Beater. Prince Jaime of Bourbon, brother of rincess Alice of Schoenburg-Waldenburg, has arrived at Sori, Italy, He emphatically asserts the untruth of recent accusation against his sister, and says that the suit for separation from her nusband, Prince Frederic, which will soon be begun at Dresden, will show the brutality of the latter, who even descended to beating his wife. Prince raime says further that the trial will bring out testimony very damaging to Prince Frederic.

Will Send Vessel to New Orienne.

Secretary of War Moody has decided to have one or more vessels of the Inited States navy at New Orleans to take part in the celebration of the centennial of the purchase of the Louisiana territory next month. France and spain will, it is expected, each be represented on that occasion by a modern man-of-war.

Internal Revenue \$41,000,000 Short John W. Yerkes, commissioner of internal revenue, in his annual report to the treasury shows that the total

receipts of his bureau for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903, were \$230,-740,925, at a cost of collection of 2.07 per cent. The receipts for the last fiscal year are about \$41,000,000 less than for the year 1902. "This decrease." says the commissioner, "is not due to a diminution in the business movements and commercial transactions of the country, but entirely to reduction of internal revenue taxes."