＂FICHT＂MISTAKEN FOR＂FIRE＇ Stampede Follows Quarrel Betwee
Delegates and Choir Master－Suffo cation Causes Most Death
Ten Feet High at Doors． BIRMINGHAM，Ala，Sept． 20 ．－Sev enty－eight people known to be dea
and eighty injured，some perhaps fa
tally，is the result of a panic which oc curred in Shiloh negro Baptist church
here last night during the evening ses sion of the national Baptist conven－
tion．Fifteen hundred delegates croly a seating capacity of 400 ，whe the audience was thrown into a stam
pede by a confict between two of the delegates in the rear of the church
The cries of＂fight＂the audience mis took for an alarm of＂fire，＂and in th crushed to death and eighty more re－
cetved injuries some of which may prove fatal．The list of dead and in jured included only negroes in attend－
ance．In the case of the visiting dele－
gates the identification has been dim． gates
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## O＇clock，jastastrophe as Booker T．Warshington had concluded his address to the na three hours the scenes and and for

 church were Indescribable．Deadbodies were strewn in every direction and the ambulance service of the city was utterly incapacitated dead bodies were arranged in rows on
the grounds outside of the house worship，awalting rem
while more than a sco
The benches inside． worship for negroes in Birmingham and the pastor says there were at
least 2,000 persons in the house when the stampede began．Instructions hai been issued to allow no more to en－
ter，but the negroes forced their way aside and were standing in every
aisle．Even the entrance to the church was ilterally packed． cluded his address，Judge Billou， in an altercation with the choor lead－ er concerning an unoccupted seat and In the audience cried＂They＇re fight－ ng，＂Mistaking the word＂fighting＂
for＂fire，＂the congregation arose en－ of the ministers quickly mounted the reep and admonished the people ＂quiet＂several times and motioned his hearers to be seated．Again the ＂quiet＂for＂fire＂and renewed their crawled over one another to get to
the door．The ministers tried again orth could
of humanity．
The level teen feet from the floor is about af ceen feet from the ground and long
steps lead to the sidewalk from the orium．Brick walls extend on elther feet，and these proved a veritable
death trap．Negroes who had reached death trap．Negroes who had reached
the top of the steps were pushed vio－
lently forward and and could move others fell on them， and in fftteen minutes persons wern
piled upon each other to a height of ten feet，where twenty died from suf－
focation． SUPREME COURT TO SIT SOON Will Resume Next Month with Case Against Dewey．
WASHINGTON，Sept．20．- The Unit ed States supreme court will reassem－
ble October 13．No business will be transacted on the opening day．The court will make its customary call on
President Roosevelt．On the follow ing day the court will resume the
hearing of cases． Among the first cases to be heard
are those of Bird against the United States，brought to determine the le
gality of a murder trial in Alaska validity of an act of congress relat－
ing to Kiowa Indian lands，and the prize money cases of the United States agaln．
son．
Stamped Envelope Contract．
WASHINGTON，Sept．20．－Acting Postmaster General Madden today stamped envelopes and furnishing
wrappers for the postoffice deparar ment for the four years，beginning
January 1，1903，to the Hartford Manu facturing company of Hartford，Conn． $\$ 3.000,000$ will be patd this company
under the contract．Their bld is $\$ 85$ ，－
000 less than the next lowest．

## Man Suspended in Air One Hundred Feet High Twenty Minutes．

CHICAGO，Sept．19．－Suspended
only by his hands，McNaughton
Wright，a prominent member of the
Board of Trade，hung between Hife
and death for twenty minutes at the
top of a grain chute in the Rock Is．

SURROUND A CITY

What its fall will mean

Whole Province Will Be on Its Bad Behavior if the Fifty Thousand Reb

LONDON，Sept．18．－Cabling from Shanghal under date of September 17，
the correspondent of the Daily Mail says that Cheng－Tu－Fu，capital of the
province of Sze－Chuen is surrounded by 50,000 Boxers，but that their at－
tempts to take the city have falled ever，Cheng－Tu－Fu must fall． ＂A prominent Chinese merchant tells
me，＂continues the Dally Mall corre－ pondent，＂that if Cheng－Tu－Fu is taken a rising in the province is in－
evitable．To further complicate mat
ters，the feuds between Catholic and ters，the feuds between Catholic and
Protestant converts are worse now than at any previous stage and magis－ terlan injunction in varlous matters
has been unwarrantably interferred
with by priests and missionaries．＂

VICTORIA， A C，Sept．18．－A let－
er received from a thoroughly trust－ er received from a thoroughly trust－
vorthy Chinese correspondent at Nan－ orthy Chinese correspondent at Nan
ing states that the rebelion is en－ ning states an ．General Ma，one
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of the ablest Chinese officers in the outh was killed．
Though the rebellion，so called，is at nd，a disquileting feature of the situa－ on is that a large quantity of up－
todate rifles are still imported con－ to－date rifles are still imported con－
stantly The Chinese complain that they are smuggled over the Tonkin
frontter．The town of Tunghua Hisan， northwest of New Chwang，is report．
ed to have been occupted by the bri－ ed to have been occupled by the bri－
gand leader，Tlu Tang Tsae，and for－
lowers．Making this thelr headguar－
 ing all the districts around．
The Boxers are still active in Chengte and increasingly so．The 1o． having been attacked，others burned lown and a number of Christians and others who have resisted having been
killed．The British and Foreign Bible killed．The British and Foreign Bible
soclety has had one killed in that society has had one kuled ，yot yet
district and there are rumors，
confrmed，but believed to be rellable that two others have suffered the same
tate． A gentleman who recently visted
New Chwang says the Russians are maw
makng all preparations for retirement
from Manchuria at an early date，and from Manchuria at an early date，and
expresses the belief that they will do apresses the seme time he admits that hey are not likely to give up some of
the places on which they have spent considerable sumge，such as New
Chwang and Talien bay，nor to retire ithout some sort of equivalent，for what they supposed they had acquired
nor even then to make an absolute re－ inquishment
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PREMIER BOND IS SATISFIED． Nefoundland Statesman Pleased with
Progress of Fisheries Treaty． Progress of Fisheries Treaty．
NEW YORK，Sept．18．－Sir Robert Bond，premier of Newfoundland，who
recently visited Washington with the recently visited Washington with the
object of furthering a fisheries recl－ object of furtherling a fisherles reci－
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sal．was unable to accomplish any－
thing in Washhngton the other day thing in Washtngton the other day
simple because Acting Secretary of State Adee needed to consult the pres－
ident in order to get authority to be－ sin negotiations．During the interval of the slight delay occasioned by the
necessity of consulting the prestident necessity of consurting ane pres ande of
at Oyster Bay I took advantage
my freedom to come to this city for my freedom to come to this
reasons of private business．
＂I am waiting now until negotla
tions can tions can be properly carried on．
expect to return to Washington for that purpose the latter part of this
week or the first of next． week or the first of next．
$\qquad$ ot，of course，proper to make public ositions which I may submit，but 1
have no reason to belleve that they have no reason to belleve th
will not be well received．

Life without faith is like a roofless
bouse．It lete all the elements in and offers no protection against the tills
of living． of living．

Confesses to Four Murders．
SEATTE，Wash．，Sept．18．－A cial to the Times from Dawson says
Peter Fand Peter Fournier has made a full and
detalled confession of four murders． In killing Constantine，Beaudotne and Boulhillette，but says Labelle did all
the shooting．In July，about thirty
miles above Circle City，they shot Gil bert Duffer，robbed him of 8700 ，
weighted his boy with stones and
threw it in the river．

FURIOUS FIRES IN WYOMINQ．
Burning in EIghteen Different Parts of ChEYENNE，Wyo．，Sep


## HENDERESON IS OUT

Speaker of the House of Representa
tives Declines to Make the Race． DUBUQUE，Ia．，Sept．17．－Speake
Henderson，flnding that his views in reducing the tariff in whole or in
part，are not in accord with the view part，are not in accord with the views
of many of his party in Iowa，has this
day declined to accept the nomination or congress and has withdrawn from
the race． withdrawal after a conference of sev－ eral hours＇duration with Chairman
Classer of the congresstonal commit－ ee and friends．He has been conten had intimated nothing of it to his
friends．At the conference his friends Implored him not to take the action，
but to no avail．He sald he had made up his mind and no argument could
cause him to change his dectsion．
gold is coming this way． Yellow Metal Being Imported from
Australia and South Africa． NEW York，Sept．17．－J．\＆W
Seligman \＆Co．announce that they seligman \＆Co．announce that the
will receive $\$ 1,250,000$ gold from Aus
rallia．The gold will reach San Fran
cisco on October 2 ．
Fully $81,000,000$ of the gold obtaine by the National City bank from South
African sources leaves London Mon－ day for this port，per steamshlp Ma
estic．The balance will follow short ．Offlclals of the bank decline to sm by which this gold was diverted
from its original destination，except to say that the transaction is without
special feature．Intimations from an authoritative quarter indicate that the
South African consignment will South African consignment
amount to more than $\$ 2,50,000$ ．

## Shortens Time Acr NEW YORK．

 German Lloyd steamer Kron PrinzWilhelm arrived in port from Bremen Southampton and Cherbourg，beating of 3,047 milles in five days eleven age speed of 23.09 knots per hour
Yhe time is three hours and forty elght minutes better than the bes
previous record of the Kron Prinz
Wulbelm． elm．

## It Breaks the Deadiock

SCRANTON，Pa，Sept．17．－The re congressional district has been broken umpire appointed by State Chairman Quay ce 3t
deadlock．

## Cathotic Converts Boxerated ONDON，Sept．17．－A dispatch

 news agency from Pekin says：cathollcs here understand that from 300 to 1,000 converts have been ktllle
by Boxers in the province of Sze

## Injunction is Asked Fo LOUISVILLE，Ky

ney General Pratt today flled suit for an in unction to prevent the contest
between Terry McGovern and＂Young
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court Thursday morning．
NEW YORK，Sept．17．－Grow
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from Mount Pelee are finally diminissh－
Ing，says a Times dispatch from Mar
canique，by way of London．The vo
cano Is stlll in eruption，but its a
tivity is now insigifant
essary．measures to assist the sufferer
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