

WILBUR WRIGHT INFORMED.

Le Mans, France, Sept. 18.—Wilbur Wright, brother of Orville Wright, who has been conducting a series of experiments here for several weeks past with a Wright aeroplane, was this morning very much perturbed to receive news from Washington that his brother had suffered an accident in which Lieut. Thomas E. Selfridge lost his life. "I have been preparing for the orders given for my preparations for his flight of today," he said. "I had hoped to try for the Michelin and Aero club medals, but now I am disappointed."

Everything went off badly, he said. "I was not given details at the field," he said.

Auvers. A large crowd had assembled to see the flight, and the soldiers of the corps were kept back, and the people back, with difficulty in getting into the enclosure having a notable aeronauts of Europe, and

Row Admiral Sperry has dispatched the following message to Alfred Deakin, the premier of Victoria, in recognition of the communication sent by the premier yesterday wishing the Americans God-speed on the continuance of their journey to home waters:

"I thank you most heartily for the cordial greeting sent in the name of the people of Victoria, and for the assurance of your sympathy and support of our commonwealth, and we warmly and responsively reciprocate your good wishes. The people of the United States are glad to send to us during our stay in Australian waters a created mutual and friendly sympathy and understanding which is the basis of ordinary intercourse could not have brought about, and which must cement and strengthen the relations so happily existing between the American republic and the Australian commonwealth, and we trust that the welfare for the happy and prosperous development of your splendid commonwealth."

Lansing, Mich., Sept. 18.—The Michigan Federation of Labor went on record yesterday in favor of woman suffrage and against prohibition and local option. It was decided to extend an invitation to the Denver meeting of the American Federation of Labor for November to hold the 1909 convention in Detroit.

Carpenter's Letter on how the old workings of King Solomon's mines are being re-opened in Rhodesia.

ing supported by Gov. Hanly and the Republican members with few exceptions and whether the bill will pass is problematical.

at 6:50 p. m. Little is known about the affair in this city, but it is believed Newbold has not been in good health for some time, the trip to California being planned as a health builder. Evidently, he found little relief and was hurrying home when the end came.

another argument to be used by the medical men who charge that persons who suffer the death penalty by means of electrocution are not killed by the electric shock, but by the knife of the surgeon who performs the official autopsy or by dissolution in the grave.